

# THE SKIDMORE AND SCUDAMORE FAMILIES OF FRAMPTON COTTERELL, GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1650-1915

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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

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## PRIVACY

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.

## PREFACE

The first account of this family was written by the late Warren Skidmore in 2006. With Warren's blessing, I revised parts of his 2006 piece and took it forward to include people born up to the time of the British census of 1911. The account would not be nearly so complete without the labours of the late John Hunt of Potton, Bedfordshire who acquired most of the raw material long before the days of the Internet. We are also indebted to the late Mrs Kathleen Skidmore who turned up many of the records noticed here on the London families.

Since the publication on our website of the 1st edition in 2012 much more material has become available. This 2nd revision in 2015 takes the story on to 1915. It also includes the World War 1 service of a number of men, as well as numerous other minor amendments and additions to our knowledge made over the past three years.

Linda Moffatt, May 2015.

## INTRODUCTION

### The origin of the Frampton Cotterell Skidmores in Westerleigh.

Gascelyn's lands at Frampton Cotterell and Westerleigh descended to Sir Thomas Seymour who died at Frampton Cotterell on 23 April 1627. An *inquest post mortem* taken at Thornbury on 31 July 1628 shows that he died owning the manor called "Gaslings" *alias* Frampton Cotterell. The messuages, cottages, closes, meadows, pastures (as

Simple sketch plan to show the position of Westerleigh village, of Mayshill, and of Ashbury.



well as the advowson of the church) are named but nothing is said about the tenants. Seymour's small holding in Westerleigh (now shown as 20 acres of pasture) is also mentioned. Nothing is said about the tenant who held it, but it might possibly have been James Skidmore (*ca.*1565-1629), a substantial yeoman like his father, who had a farmstead at Ashbury at the time of his death (about two years after Seymour died).<sup>1</sup> Ashbury was a hamlet close to Frampton Cotterell but is now lost as a place-name.<sup>2</sup> The eldest Skidmore son and heir in each generation had probably held this freehold farm at Brownfield in Ashbury. The younger sons, as always, were forced to either negotiate a leasehold from the lord of the manor, to learn a useful trade in the parish, or better

<sup>1</sup> Warren Skidmore, unpublished.

<sup>2</sup> It survived until at least 1830 when it appears as a knoll in the Ordnance Survey map with coordinates at 156-682(812). It may have been formerly reckoned as a part of Mayshill.

still to be apprenticed to a tradesmen in the cities which offered the very best opportunity for advancement. Many of the sons left Westerleigh for Bristol, went up to London, or off to Ireland or New England, and at a still later date to Australia.

### **The use of the surnames Skidmore and Scudamore in the Frampton Cotterell families.**

The families using the parish church of St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell were baptised, married and buried with the surname *Scudamore* until mid-1841 - the burial register clearly shows the switch between May 1841 (at the burial of Ann Scudamore) and August 1841 (at the burial of Lucy Skidmore). This coincides with the first British census to list all members of a household, taken on 6 June 1841, at which families in Frampton Cotterell, Winterbourne and Bristol were enumerated as *Skidmore*. In the early years of the 19th century when Frampton Cotterell boys were apprenticed, their surname was recorded as *Skidmore*. The descendants of our Frampton Cotterell families using St Michael's church in Winterbourne (first entry 1792) are always found as *Skidmore*, as are those who moved to work on the Gloucester docks, the coal mines of Monmouthshire, the ironworks in Bristol and those who became hatters in Southwark, London. This suggests strongly that the Frampton Cotterell families were known as Skidmore but were recorded up to 1841 by custom as Scudamore by the clergy of St Peter's.

Some families from Frampton Cotterell and Winterbourne moved into Bristol during the 1840s and were initially boot and shoemakers - see descendants of Pinnell Skidmore [21] and of Daniel Skidmore [23]<sup>3</sup>. Certain of the descendants of Daniel [23] later used the surname *Scudamore* on an 'everyday basis', some from as early as the 1850s, others from as late as the 1890s. Details can be found in the text and on the family tree which accompanies this account. It seems that brothers from a single family adopted the surname at different times, at least as far as can be judged by the names they gave to census enumerators - see the sons of Luke Skidmore [49]. In fact, Luke's son Daniel *Skidmore* in his will (proved in 1876) named as one of his executors his brother George *Scudamore*.

### **The first Skidmores in Frampton Cotterell parish.**

*Skidmore* families are found in the neighbouring parish of Westerleigh as early as the 15th century though the earliest mention of Skidmore *residing* in Frampton Cotterell does not occur in the parish registers of St Peter's there until the 1680s. Edward Skidmore was buried on 11 January 1682/3 at Frampton Cotterell and his widow Sarah (née Atwood) followed on 27 December 1688. A younger Edward Skidmore and William Skidmore, presumably brothers or cousins, were raising their families in Frampton Cotterell during the 1690s and 1700s. We presently have no evidence of the occupation of Edward Skidmore but we know that William Skidmore was a feltmaker at Frampton Cotterell when on 19 June 1699 he was a bondsman at the marriage of Richard Prior, a feltmaker of Stoke Gifford, and Elizabeth Hollister of Frampton Cotterell (a couple who intended to marry at Augustine the Less, Bristol). We know that the art of feltmaking existed in the Westerleigh family in the late 17th century. Robert Skidmore (1640-77) was apprenticed on 26 March 1655 to Abraham Read, a citizen and weaver of London, for a term of seven years. He was admitted a freeman in the Weaver's Hall on 8 December 1673 and lived in the parish of St Olave's, Southwark. His son Robert, baptized 22 January 1664/5 at St Olave's 'the son of Robert and Susan Skidmore' is presumably the Robert *Skidmur* of London, a member of the Company of

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<sup>3</sup> The male heads of the households described below are given code numbers which enable them to be easily tracked through this account. These codes match those in the master databases of birth, marriages, deaths and censuses produced by the Skidmore/ Scudamore One-Name Study.

Feltmakers<sup>4</sup> who took the Association Oath in 1696<sup>5</sup>. He had died there before 10 January 1711/2 when the administration of his estate was given to his widow Jane.

At present, the **Skidmore/ Scudamore DNA Project** has obtained genealogical DNA evidence from only three male descendants of Frampton Cotterell residents. These three DNA results match each other but do not match those from descendants out of the adjoining parish of Westerleigh. The three participants all descend from one man - Daniel Skidmore FCL[11]. Daniel [11]'s first wife died in 1769 which suggests his birth was around 1740-1745. His baptism as Skidmore or Scudamore has yet to be found and Warren Skidmore has tentatively suggested he is a son of Daniel [5]. When more men of Skidmore/ Scudamore descent volunteer to take part in our DNA study, it is possible that we will be able to establish that Westerleigh and Frampton Cotterell Skidmores are indeed 'genetic cousins'.

### **Feltmaking and hatmaking in Frampton Cotterell.**

Feltmaking and hatmaking was already well-established in the area, in London and elsewhere. Hatting began as a cottage industry in the 16th century because of the abundance of rabbit's fur which was an essential ingredient of felt<sup>6</sup>. It was the experienced workforce plus plentiful coal that later encouraged Christy & Co. of Bermondsey, London to construct two 3-storey hat factories in Park Lane, Frampton Cotterell, between 1818 and 1823.

*Christy's former hat factory, Frampton Cotterell,  
from [www.framptoncott.co.uk](http://www.framptoncott.co.uk)*

The upper floors are divided into cubicles with tiny closed windows to minimise draughts that disturb fine wool used for hats. This road was named Penny Lane because householders got one penny per bucket of urine used in hatmaking. There were 120 employees in 1834 making 1300 hats per week.



The factory system (where the employer paid people a wage for their labour, employees worked set hours and the products were sold by the factory owner) was introduced here by Christy. It replaced the domestic system which most likely existed for hatting in Frampton Cotterell prior to Christy's works, by which a man bought raw materials from a merchant to create a product. The merchant paid him for each article, organised the work of many others, providing materials for them to create articles then paying them for the number produced.

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<sup>4</sup> The Worshipful Company of Feltmakers. The first reference to Feltmakers is in London in 1180. In 1269 the Cappers became officially established. Hurers made shaggy caps and in 1311 the Hatters were active. The Hurers and Cappers amalgamated with the Hatters and then merged with the powerful Haberdashers in 1502. Many feltmakers were already members of the Haberdashers and, as the Haberdashers controlled the retail outlets and the raw materials, this unification seemed sensible. The Feltmakers were the only group to survive in name and became synonymous with hatters and is today the Livery Company of the hatters. From [www.feltmakers.co.uk](http://www.feltmakers.co.uk)

<sup>5</sup> Oaths of allegiance were used to secure the loyalty to the sovereign and to help identify potential opponents. They were relatively common in post-Reformation and revolutionary England. Association Oath Rolls for City of London Livery Companies followed the discovery in 1696 of a plot to assassinate William III. A transcription of the Association Oath Rolls for the City of London Livery Companies are now available on British Origins. This dataset contains the names of over 21,500 members of 77 livery companies. It is likely that for most Companies the great majority of members would have signed the Oath Roll.

<sup>6</sup> South Gloucestershire Heritage Forum, Heritage & Archaeology Newsletter, Autumn 2009. Chris Heal was a research student at the University of Bristol, where his subject was 'The Hatting Industry of Bristol & South Gloucestershire 1570-1900'.

Luke Fowler, manager of Christy's Hat Factory in Frampton Cotterell, found that men became dissatisfied with working conditions and unwilling to do certain tasks. The men came out on strike in 1834 and after this was settled not everybody got their jobs back. The work force was down to 80 by 1840 then further reduced in 1845. When Christy introduced new machinery to speed-up the work of fur cutting in 1864 there was another strike so production ceased in 1866<sup>7</sup>.

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<sup>7</sup> [www.framptoncott.co.uk](http://www.framptoncott.co.uk)

The following chart shows how the decline in hatmaking in south Gloucestershire is reflected in the migration of Skidmore families, particularly to the town of Bristol.

**Number of persons bearing the surname Skidmore or Scudamore  
and numbers of males of different occupations.**

Census year	Frampton Cotterell and Westerleigh	Winterbourne	Bristol	Gloucester	London	Monmouthshire	Total
1841	64	20	11	14	22	8	139
	<b>11 HATTERS</b> 1 carpenter 1 shoemaker	<b>6 HATTERS</b> 1 shoemaker 1 butcher 2 brickmakers 2 quarrymen	1 ironworker	3 boatmen 2 ag labourer 1 brickmaker	<b>3 HATTERS</b> 1 grocer 2 printers	1 tailor 2 colliers	
1871	18	31	90	24 Gloucester [+ 10 in Cheltenham]	30	12	215
	<b>2 HATTERS</b> 1 tailor 1 groom	<b>2 HATTERS</b> 1 plasterer 4 ag labourer 2 quarrymen	<b>4 HATTERS</b> 5 shoemakers 2 tailors 1 groom 1 coach builder 4 labourers 1 painter 1 brewer 1 innkeeper 1 grocer 1 cabinet mkr 1 clerk 1 haulier	1 boatman 1 brickmaker 1 lock keeper 1 shopkeeper 1 sawmill wkr 1 dock labourer [1 shoemaker]	<b>1 HATTER</b> 2 masons 1 plumber 3 labourers 1 book mnfr 1 printer 1 soldier	3 colliers 1 labourer 1 blacksmith	
1901	23	33	208	35 [+13 in Cheltenham]	55	13 [+ 8 in Glamorgan] [+3 in Pembrokeshire]	391
	1 plasterer 1market gdnr 2 colliers	1 plasterer 3 ag labourer 1 railway lab. 4 masons 1 labourer	<b>1 HATTER</b> 9 shoemkrs 1 tailor 1 stay presser 2 grocers 2 warehousemen 1 cashier 3 clerks 1 accountant 2 masons 1 piano tuner 1 tram driver 1 chemist 1 gardener 1 postmaster 3 chair mkrs 1 French polisher 2 wkr in chocolate mnfr 1 lab'rer 1 galvaniser 1 gas stoker 1 factory engineman 1 collier 1 firewood dealer 1 cotton weaver 4 tobacco workers 2 carters	3 dock labourers 1 carpenter 1 navy 1 blacksmith 1 fishmonger 1 deal porter 1 wkr at wagon works [1commission agent, 1 plasterer, 1 painter, 1 builder]	2 farriers 1window cleaner 1 compositor 2 painters 1 coal carter 1 warehouseman 1 vellum book maker 1 gas fitter 2 timber sawyers 1 engineer's labr 1 factory packer 1 railway labourer	1 greengrocer 2 coalminers  [1 bookbinder 1 coalminer 1 warehouseman]  [1 plumber 1 school teacher]	

## GENERATION 1

*For the purposes of this account Edward Skidmore and William Skidmore, mentioned in the Introduction above, are considered Generation 1. Their descendants can be identified with the prefix FCL in databases of the Skidmore/ Scudamore One-Name Study. Thus Edward immediately below is found as FCL [1].*

**FCL 1. EDWARD<sup>1</sup> SKIDMORE.** His baptism has not been found, nor has the marriage to his wife Anne \_\_\_\_\_. He is almost certainly a brother or cousin to William Skidmore, described below.

He was one of 26 men who voted at Frampton Cotterell in 1710, but is first noticed there at the baptism of his first child in 1695. He was an appraiser of William Turner, a feltmaker of Frampton Cotterell on 31 March 1701. Later he was an appraiser of Henry Goff, a blacksmith of the same place on 6 November 1719, signing both of the inventories with his mark. His burial has not been found, but his wife is probably the Anne Scudamore buried on 24 December 1749 at Frampton Cotterell<sup>8</sup>.

**Children of Edward and Ann Skidmore<sup>9</sup>, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Sarah, baptised 7 December 1695.
- ii. Edward, born 5 May (baptised 6 May) 1698. [An infant who was christened immediately after birth usually was not expected to live, and nothing more has been learned of this Edward.]
- iii. Margaret, baptised 13 January 1700/1. She appears to have married John *Muzley* (Morsley) of Westerleigh<sup>10</sup> on 14 July 1729 at Frampton Cotterell. According to the IGI, a son Joseph was baptised on 22 May 1737 at Westerleigh.
- iv. Amy, baptised 19 August 1703.
- v. Ann, baptised 5 November 1705.
3. vi. JOHN, baptised 5 November 1707.
4. vii. NATHAN, baptised 21 May 1710.
- viii. Michael, baptised 24 November 1712. He was buried an infant on 12 February 1712/3.

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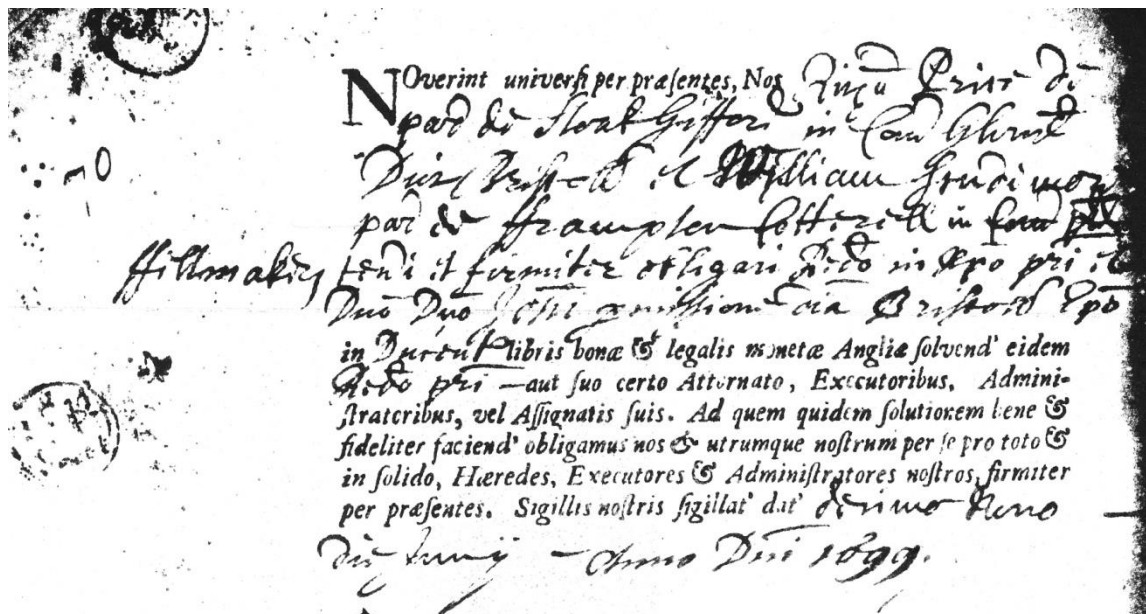
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<sup>8</sup> The registers for St Peter's can be found at Bristol Record Office and cover the periods C1561-1995 M1561-1983 B1561-1995. Originals have been checked for the purposes of this account.

<sup>9</sup> See the comments in the Introduction concerning the use of the two forms of the surname.

<sup>10</sup> Westerleigh parish consisted of the area around the church, also parts known as Coalpit Heath, Mayshill, and Kendalshire. The registers for St James the Great are held at Bristol Record Office and cover the periods C1693-1968 M1694-1991 B1693-1882.

**FCL 2. WILLIAM<sup>1</sup> SKIDMORE** was probably a brother or cousin of the Edward Scudamore next above. He was a feltmaker at Frampton Cotterell when on 19 June 1699 he signed his name as a bondsman at the marriage of Richard Prior, a feltmaker of Stoke Gifford, and Elizabeth Hollister of Frampton Cotterell (a couple who intended to marry at Augustine the Less, Bristol).



His signature (there is a little of the signature of the person signing before him, between the S and d of Scudimore).

*Will. Scudimore*

He married firstly Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_ (who was buried on 12 November 1704 shortly after the birth of her only child), and secondly Hester (Esther) Price on 24 May 1708 at Frampton Cotterell. William Scudimore, who could be this man or his son, was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 15 July 1754.

**A child of William and Elizabeth Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Ann, baptised 6 November 1704 at Frampton Cotterell, and buried there on 23 April 1705.

**Children of William and Hester (Price) Skidmore,**

- ii. William, baptised 3 April 1709.
- 5. iii. DANIEL, baptised 24 February 1711/2.
- iv. James, baptised 25 December 1714. He was buried on 11 March 1719/20 as James *Chidmore*.

## GENERATION 2

3. **JOHN<sup>2</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Edward [1] and Anne (\_\_\_\_\_) Skidmore, was baptised on 5 November 1707 at Frampton Cotterell. He was buried on 1 October 1736 at Frampton Cotterell, and his wife Hester \_\_\_\_\_, who survived him, was buried there on 15 September 1747.

**Children of John and Hester Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Hannah, 'of this parish' [Frampton Cotterell] married Thomas Russell 'of Winterbourne' on 26 December 1750. [This Hannah Russell had a niece Elizabeth Scudamore who also married still another Thomas Russell in 1787.]
  - ii. Ann, baptised 25 August 1731. She was buried on 5 October 1735.
6. iii. EDWARD, baptised 18 May 1735.

4. **NATHAN<sup>2</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised on 21 May 1710 at Frampton Cotterell, the son of Edward [1] and Anne (\_\_\_\_\_) Scudamore. He married Sarah \_\_\_\_\_, and was buried on 8 May 1776 at Frampton Cotterell.

**Children of Nathan and Sarah Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. [perhaps] Lucy, baptised 13 June 1738, daughter of Nathan and *Mary* Scudamore.
  - ii. Sarah, baptised 9 November 1730.
  - iii. Hannah, baptised 25 February 1732/3. She was buried on 3 November 1747.
7. iv. MICHAEL, baptised 25 May 1736.
- v. Amy, baptised 3 December 1738.
  - vi. Margaret, baptised 29 March 1741. She was buried on 8 October 1745.
  - vii. Ann, baptised 18 June 1743.
  - viii. Margaret, baptised 25 December 1745. She married Giles Wright on 15 April 1771 at St James the Great, Westerleigh, witnessed by Richard Roach and Hannah Gully.

5. **DANIEL<sup>2</sup> SKIDMORE**, a son of William [2] and Hester (Price) Skidmore, was baptised on 24 February 1711/2 at Frampton Cotterell. He married firstly Elizabeth (Betty), a daughter of John *Mursley* (Morsley) of Westerleigh, on 25 December 1735 at Pucklechurch. She was born in 1718 and was named with her elder sister Hannah Haynes of Bitton in a survey of Westerleigh manor done in 1741. She was buried on 25 April 1746, the same day as her daughter's christening. He married secondly Joan Wigmore (possibly a widow) of Frampton Cotterell on 15 January 1750/1 there. He died on 3 October 1784 at Frampton Cotterell aged 78.

**Children of Daniel and Betty (Mursley) Skidmore,**

8. i. EDWARD, baptised 9 January 1736/7 at Iron Acton<sup>11</sup>.
  9. ii. WILLIAM, baptised 24 December 1738 at Frampton Cotterell.
10. iii. JOHN, baptised on 22 March 1740/1.
- iv. Mary, baptised 18 November 1744. She was buried an infant (as *Mary Cudimor*) on 17 December 1744 at Frampton Cotterell.
  - v. Betty, baptised 25 April 1746 (the same day as her mother's burial). She married Robert Stratford on 5 April 1772 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were Edward Webb and Isaac Fletcher.

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<sup>11</sup> The registers for St James the Less can be found at Bristol Record Office and cover the periods C1570-1947 M1570-1971 B1571-1992.

## GENERATION 3

6. **EDWARD<sup>3</sup> SKIDMORE**, of Frampton Cotterell, was baptised 18 May 1735 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of John [3] and Hester (\_\_\_\_) Skidmore. He appears to be the man of his name (called 'of Frampton Cotterell') who married Sarah Wright of Westerleigh on 4 June 1761 at St James the Great, Westerleigh (witnessed by John Edwards and Gregory Nicholls).

**Children of Edward and Sarah (Wright) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

12.
  - i. [perhaps] JOHN, born about 1762.
  - ii. Elizabeth, baptised 24 April 1766. She married Thomas Russell on 26 November 1787 by banns at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were Richard Denby, Edward Scudamore and Solomon Maggs. [They had a son Edward Scudamore Russell buried at Westerleigh on 21 January 1794, 'son of William Russell'.]
  - iii. Sarah, baptised 28 January 1770. She married John Ovens (born 1764)<sup>12</sup> on 14 September 1790 at Frampton Cotterell by banns, with Edward *Scudamore* and George Wigmore as the witnesses.
  - iv. Mary, baptised 16 May 1773. She married John Trilly by banns on 6 February 1791 at Frampton Cotterell with James Palser and Mary Palser as witnesses.
  - v. Hester (baptised Esther), baptised 3 January 1776. She married Daniel Parsley on 18 April 1797 at Frampton Cotterell by banns, with Edward *Skidmore* and William Parsley as witnesses.
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  - vi. EDWARD, baptised 10 January 1779.
  - vii. Ann, baptised 20 March 1781.
  - viii. Hannah, baptised 27 April 1783. She was buried on 25 September 1785.

7. **MICHAEL<sup>3</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised on 25 May 1736 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of Nathan [4] and Sarah (\_\_\_\_) Skidmore. He married Ann \_\_\_\_\_, whose family name remains to be found, perhaps in London where their first known child was baptised. He was a smith of Church Lane, Stepney in 1773. They were living in 1781 on Kingsland Road, and in 1783 on Bow Lane in Shoreditch, London.

**Children of Michael and Ann Skidmore (those baptised in Frampton Cotterell recorded as *Scudamore*, as were all Skidmore baptisms there until 1841),**

14.
  - i. MICHAEL, born 20 January 1773 and baptised *Skidmore* on 12 February 1773, at 23 days old, at St George in the East, Stepney.
  - ii. Rebecca, baptised 2 April 1775 at Frampton Cotterell.
  - iii. Nathan, baptised 23 November 1777 at Frampton Cotterell.
- 14a.
  - iv. [perhaps] JOHN.
  - iv. Mary. She was born 5 December 1780 (baptised 19 January 1781) at St Leonard's, Shoreditch.
  - v. Ann, born 4 December (baptised 26 December) 1783 at St Leonard's.

8. **EDWARD<sup>3</sup> SKIDMORE**, a son of Daniel [5] and Elizabeth (Mursley) Skidmore, was baptised on 9 January 1736/7 at Iron Acton. He married Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_. He appears to have died in 1769, although no burial has been found.

**Children of Edward and Elizabeth Skidmore, as known,**

15.
  - i. DANIEL, born about 1763.
  - ii. Ann. She married Edward Rolph by banns on 23 June 1800 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were Robert Harcombe and Ann Rolph. He died aged 59 and was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 3 November 1835.
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  - iii. EDWARD (posthumous?), baptised 6 August 1769 at St James the Less, Iron Acton, 'a son of Elizabeth Scudamore'.

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<sup>12</sup> Birth and death years of children found on IGI (private submission): Thomas OVENS 1791-1861, Sarah 1796-, Mary 1800-, Elizabeth 1802-, Ann 1805-07, bap. Aug 1805, Ann bap. 17 Aug 1812 Frampton Cotterell.

9. **WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised 24 December 1738 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of Daniel [5] and Elizabeth (Mursley) Skidmore. He married Eleanor Haynes there on 9 January 1763. They were both of Frampton Cotterell, and the witnesses were James Haynes and Levi Turner. She was born in 1743 (an entry in the IGI gives her birth on 21 April 1743 at Minchinhampton, Gloucestershire), and was buried on 12 January 1809 aged 66. William Skidmore was buried on 29 April 1791 aged 52 at Frampton Cotterell.

**Children of William and Eleanor (Haynes) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Susannah, baptised 18 June 1764. She married Thomas Wright on 3 November 1783 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were Robert Turner and Edward Scudamore.
17. ii. WILLIAM, baptised 11 January 1767.
- iii. Hester (baptised Esther), baptised 10 February 1771. She married Issachar Turner on 23 August 1790 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were James Bryant and Eleanor Scudamore.
- iv. Eleanor, baptised 19 December 1773. She married James Bryant, a hatter (1768-1849) on 22 November 1790 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were Issachar Turner and Stephen Burcombe. They had 15 children and lived in Frampton End. A laundress, she spent her later years on poor relief and died in 1857Q2.
- v. Hannah, baptised 2 June 1776. She married Robert Tanner, a hatter, on 5 August 1793 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were Thomas Golding and Robert Turner. They had eight Tanner children: Isaac 1793-1796, Mary (d.1798), Robert 1802, Martha 1806-07, Mary 1806, George 1808, Mary 1813 m. James Palsler, Hezekiah 1816-39. After her husband's death she went to live with the family of George Skidmore [33], probably her son-in-law, and his wife Hannah (whose baptism has not been located). Hannah Tanner died on 23 February 1843 at Frampton Cotterell. I am grateful for this information to Kevin Brady, descendant of their seventh child Mary.
- vi. Mary, baptised 21 December 1778. She married (signing herself as Mary *Skidmore*) Richard Bryant on 29 May 1797 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were James Bryant and Edward Skidmore. She was perhaps the hatter living in Brockridge, Frampton Cotterell at the time of the 1841 census (aged 60[-64]); this lady died before the 1851 census.
- vii. Ann, baptised 20 March 1781.
18. viii. JOHN, baptised 25 December 1783.
- ix. [perhaps] Sarah, baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 21 October 1787, daughter of 'William and Sarah Scudamore'.

10. **JOHN<sup>3</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised on 22 March 1740/1 at Iron Acton, a son of Daniel [5] and Elizabeth (Mursley) Skidmore. He married firstly Hannah Clark on 11 April 1766 at Frampton Cotterell. They were both of Frampton Cotterell and the witnesses were William Millett junior and Joseph Curtis.

Hannah was buried on 26 April 1771 at Frampton Cotterell and he married secondly Sarah [Rogers?], at an unknown place and date. He died aged 61 and was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 21 April 1802.

**Children of John and Hannah (Clark) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

19. i. MARK, baptised 23 November 1766.

**Children of John and Sarah Skidmore,**

- ii. Frances, baptised 4 October 1772. She was buried on 14 February 1773 at Frampton Cotterell.
- iii. Elizabeth, baptised 14 July 1774. She married Thomas Newman by banns on 1 April 1793 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were Nathaniel Hellier and Robert Turner.
- ?20. iv. George Rogers, baptised 13 December 1776.
21. v. PINNELL ROGERS, baptised 28 March 1779.
- vi. Lucy, baptised 3 February 1782. On 1 February 1802 a warrant was issued to the constable of Frampton Cotterell to apprehend William Pearce, a feltmaker of Frampton Cotterell, father of child or children of Lucy Scudamore, a singlewoman of Frampton Cotterell<sup>13</sup>. William Pearce married Lucy Skidmore on 21 December 1814 at St Mary Newington, London. Nehemiah Webb and Mary Webb were their witnesses.  
A daughter,
  - i. Elizabeth Pearce *Skidmore*, baptised 20 June 1802.
- vii. Harriet, baptised 18 July 1784.

<sup>13</sup> Bristol Record Office, P/FC/OP/6/28. Information laid by William Davis, overseer. Signed by Edmund Probyn, J.P.

- 22. viii. JOHN, baptised 15 April 1787.
- ix. Sarah, baptised 22 November 1789 and buried seven days later on the 29th.

**11. DANIEL<sup>3</sup> SKIDMORE.** His baptism has not been found. Jane the wife of Daniel Scudamore was buried on 3 August 1769 at Frampton Cotterell, suggesting a birth year for Daniel in the early to mid-1740s.

He married secondly Hannah Wigmore by licence on 25 July 1772 at Frampton Cotterell, the witnesses being Isaac Jacques and Samuel Hellier. On 7 May 1777 Daniel Scudamore, his wife Hannah, children Daniel aged 4 and James 2, moved to Iron Acton by virtue of a Certificate of Settlement from Iron Acton dated 6 February 1750/1<sup>14</sup>.

He was presumably dead by 1787 when Hannah Scudamore married William Clements at Iron Acton as her second husband.

**Children of Daniel and Hannah (Wigmore) Skidmore,**

- 23. i. DANIEL, baptised at Frampton Cotterell 27 September 1772 'a son of Daniel and Hannah Scudamore'.
- ii. James, baptised 16 April 1775 at Frampton Cotterell.
- ?20. iii. George, baptised 17 July 1778 at Iron Acton.

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<sup>14</sup> Bristol Record Office, P/FC/OP/2/15 attested by Roger Gregory, churchwarden and overseers and Thomas Young, churchwarden. Henry Creswicke (S), Richard Bayly (S), J.P.'s.

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**12. JOHN<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE**, born about 1762 - and whose baptism has not been found - was (given the date of their marriage and the name Edward given to his eldest son) perhaps a son of Edward [6] and Sarah (Wright) Skidmore. A hatter of Frampton Cotterell, John Scudamore married Ann Simonds of Westerleigh (born about 1756) on 18 September 1785 at Westerleigh. Joseph Lloyd and Thomas Saunders were witnesses. This John *Skidmore* appears to be the first of the family to settle at Watley's End in the parish of Winterbourne<sup>15</sup> which was at the time as well known as Frampton Cotterell for hat making. His wife died there and was buried at St Michael's on 26 August 1834 aged 78 and he followed in death at Watley's End, buried 27 July 1841 'aged 84'. [His reported age at death seems to be a small exaggeration, 79 being more likely correct given the marriage date of his supposed parents. This age of 84 years was also recorded on 6 June of that year to the census enumerator].

The 1841 census describes the area in which the elderly John Skidmore lived with the family of his daughter Elizabeth Edwards (Enumeration District 17) thus: 'All that part of the parish of Winterbourne, commencing at R. Simmonds [*Robert, journeyman hatter*], through Wadley end to Frampton Cotterel to W<sup>m</sup> Pocock's [*?William W. Pocock, auctioneer*] up to W<sup>m</sup> E. Parker's and the Houses below the Swan, bounded by Wadley's End Lane and Winterbourne on the south and Frampton Cotterel on the north.'

### **Children of John and Ann (Simonds) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

25. i. Edward, baptised on 2 July 1786 at Frampton Cotterell. He appears to be the hatter found with his wife Henrietta \_\_\_\_\_ (born about 1787) in York Place, Southwark, Surrey at the time of the 1841 census. Whether they had children and where they lived before 1841 is not presently known. Henrietta Skidmore died in 1856 aged 69 and was buried on 16 June at Victoria Park Cemetery, Hackney. Her husband - said to be aged 66, a pauper and a hatter, and described as a widower in the 1851 census in St George's Workhouse, Southwark - died in 1859 aged 76 and was buried on 28 February.

He *perhaps* had an earlier marriage.

i. Esther, born 4 April 1809, baptised 11 June 1809 at St Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey, daughter of Edward Skidmore, hatter of Long Lane, Bermondsey, and his wife Charlotte Overett Skidmore.

The following year at the same church the daughter of Edward Skidmore and Ann Rackstraw Skidmore was baptised,

ii. Sarah, born 29 July 1810, baptised 7 October.

ii. Hannah, baptised 4 June 1788. She is probably the lady of her name who married George England, a hatter (perhaps baptised at Westerleigh 9 August 1781, son of Thomas England), on 5 July 1813 at St Michael's, Winterbourne by banns, with John Rodman and Sarah Skidmore (her sister) as witnesses. They appear to be the couple found in the census of 1841 (he said to be 60, she 58) living - with John England aged 19 and Maria England aged 27 - in the same Enumeration District as her father. Hannah England died aged 62 and was buried at Winterbourne on 15 September 1850. Her husband appears to be the man of his name buried there 14 February 1847 aged 66.

iii. John, born 1790. He was buried on 29 August 1828 aged 38 at St Michael's.

### **baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne, except as noted,**

26. iv. JEREMIAH, baptised on 27 May 1792.

v. Sarah, baptised on 25 December 1793. Living in 1813 when she apparently witnessed her sister Hannah's wedding. She appears to have married John Rodman, a hatter of Winterbourne (born about 1791), at St Paul, Bristol on 27 December 1816 and they lived with their children at

<sup>15</sup> Winterbourne in South Gloucestershire includes the ecclesiastical parishes of Winterbourne, Winterbourne Down and Frenchay, and from 1866 the hamlets of Watley's End, Hicks Common, Pye Corner, Whiteshill and Hambrook were all within the *Civil Parish*.

The parish registers for Winterbourne can be seen at [www.frenchaymuseumarchives.co.uk](http://www.frenchaymuseumarchives.co.uk)

Winterbourne Down. Mrs Rodman died aged 60 and was buried at Winterbourne on 7 June 1854, her husband in 1868 aged 78.

- vi. Elizabeth, baptised on 24 May 1795. She married Charles Edwards, a hatter, on 25 December 1817 at St James', Bristol (according to an entry at familysearch.org, no longer extant). They lived in Winterbourne, where Elizabeth died in 1852.
- vii. Ann, baptised 11 May 1797 at Westerleigh as *Scuddamore*.
- 27. viii. GEORGE, baptised 22 June 1800 at Westerleigh as *Scudamore*.

**13. EDWARD<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE** of Westerleigh was baptised on 10 January 1779 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of Edward [6] and Sarah (Wright) Skidmore. He married (signing as 'Edward *Skidmore*') Sarah Parker on 24 June 1798 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were John Davis<sup>16</sup> and Edward *Scudamore* (presumably his cousin Edward [16]). The burials of Edward and his wife have not yet been found.

**A child of Edward and Sarah (Parker) Skidmore,**

- i. John Parker, buried as *Skidmore* on 8 January 1806 at Westerleigh.

**14. MICHAEL<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE**, born about 1765 according to his age at death, was presumably son of Michael [7] and Ann Skidmore, though he was not baptised until 1773. He married Jane Standish on 21 June 1796 at St Leonard's, Shoreditch. They were living in Standish Lane, Shoreditch at the time of John's baptism in 1797. Michael Skidmore died aged 70 in Kings Court, Shoreditch and was buried from St Leonard's there on 22 July 1835.

**Children of Michael and Jane (Standish) Skidmore,**

- 27a. i. **JOHN<sup>5</sup>**, born in Standish Lane, Shoreditch on 13 June 1797 and baptised 25 June at St Leonard's. He married Susannah Whale (born about 1794 in Cripplegate, London) at St Leonard's, Shoreditch on 13 July 1818. The witnesses were Charles Whale and Ann Whale. In the 1820s John Skidmore was a carman and lived with his family in Curtain Road, Shoreditch. He was called a labourer of Swan Yard, Shoreditch (which led off Holywell High Street) in 1830 and 1835.

On 29 October 1840 the Board of Guardians for Bethnal Green examined John Skidmore's application for parish relief. John was then a 45-year old labourer of 11 Anchor Street<sup>17</sup>. He stated that he never paid more than three shillings a week rent, never was an apprentice or a yearly servant (which would presumably have precluded him from relief payments). He was unable to say from which parish his late father *John* and Jane Skidmore belonged. He spoke of his aunt Sarah Standish who three or four years earlier had been living in Skinner Street, Bishopsgate, near the brewery. He named his wife Susan (Whale) aged 42 and their seven children Matilda 21, Susannah 20, John 17, Hannah 10, Eliza 8, Henry 5 and Robert 3.

The family were indeed living at the time of the 1841 census in Anchor Street, Bethnal Green, London. An additional three children were in their household in 1841 (listed after their son Robert then aged 4) - William Skidmore 5, Louisa Skidmore 5 and Sarah Skidmore 6 months. I have yet to find birth and death records for these three children nor do they appear in later censuses. This would appear to be an error in the census.

By 1851 had moved to 34/35 Barnet Grove, Bethnal Green. Mr Skidmore was a warehouseman. He and his wife moved yet again before 1861, at which time he was a bricklayer's labourer, to a room at 5 White Cross Street, Bishopsgate. He died in 1866Q2 aged 72, Susan Skidmore in 1868Q3 aged 72.

**Children of John and Susannah (Whale) Skidmore, baptised at St Leonard's, Shoreditch,**

- i. Matilda, born 5 May 1819, baptised 24 November 1819, and again on 29 July 1828 when her father was a carman of Curtain Road. She married John Isaac Stewart, a tailor of Old Street Road (born about 1816 in Shoreditch, son of Thomas Stewart, porter) on 9 February 1840 at St John the Baptist, Shoreditch, witnessed by Susannah Skidmore and William Whale. Mr Stewart died in 1896Q3 aged 80.
- ii. Susannah, born 5 (?15) March 1821, baptised 26 March. She married Thomas

<sup>16</sup> A John Davis married an as yet unidentified Charlotte Skidmore at St Philip & St Jacob, Bristol on 3 January 1796.

<sup>17</sup> Board of Guardians records held by the London Metropolitan Archives, Examination 29 October 1840 (Bethnal Green Poor Union), BEBG/267/002.

- Fowler, a carter on 4 December 1842 at St John the Baptist, Shoreditch, witnessed by John Skidmore and Hannah Whale.
- 59a. iii. **JOHN WILLIAM**<sup>6</sup>, born 14 August 1823 in Curtain Road, baptised 3 September 1823. A brass fitter of 6 Birdcage Walk at the time he married Mary Frances Pike of 4 Birdcage Walk (born about 1829 in Shoreditch, daughter of Charles, beer seller, and Mary Pike) on 25 December 1849 at St John's, Bethnal Green, witnessed by Charles Pike and Mary Ann Garrett. They were living in Pykes Building, ?Bird Cage Walk, Bethnal Green in 1851 and, by 1861 when he called himself a general dealer, at 43 Dalgleish Road, Limehouse. He died in 1867Q2 aged 44 and his widow moved to Edward Street, Mile End Old Town, where she became a needlewoman to support her younger children. Mrs Skidmore lived for a time with her married daughter Emma Hubbard and died in 1895Q4 aged 66.
- Children of John William and Mary Frances (Pike) Skidmore, born in Limehouse and baptised at St Dunstan's, Stepney,**
- i. William Charles, born in Bethnal Green and baptised on 24 August 1851 at St Mary Haggerstone, Hackney. I have been unable to find him or his brother John after the census of 1861.
  - ii. John Thomas, born 5 June 1853 in Limehouse (baptised 26 June).
  - iii. Mary Susan, born 27 April 1855 in Limehouse (baptised 20 May). She married in 1877Q3 Alfred Charles Shepherd, a furniture carman (born about 1853 in Stepney) and they were living in 1881 at 4 North Terrace Court, Mile End Old Town. By 1901 they had moved to 13 Edward Street, Mile End Old Town, when Mr Shepherd was a tea warehouseman.
  - iv. Matilda Elizabeth, born 4 August (baptised 30 August) 1857. She died in 1858Q3.
  - v. Emma Frances, born 1861Q3. She married in 1880Q4 Henry Edward Hubbard, a coachman (born about 1857 in Clapham) and they were living at the time of the 1881 census at 4 Coborn Street, Bow.  
Children – Ruth Emma, William.
- iii. Jane Ann, born 20 September 1826, baptised 8 October 1826. She died at the age of 11 in 1838.
- iv. Emma, born 30 August 1830 in Swan Yard, Shoreditch and baptised 5 December 1831. She appears to have been the Emma daughter of John Skidmore, a warehouseman, who married Charles Freeman Burrows, a jewel case maker (son of Samuel Burrows, styled a gentleman) on 12 August 1852 at St Mary's, Islington, London. Charles F. Burrows died on 19 October 1885 at 10 Aubert Park, Highbury and at the time of the 1891 census his widow living on her own means in Islington with her granddaughter Emma L. Melville. Emma Burrows died in 1893 aged 62. A son Charles and a daughter Emma.
- v. Eliza, born 12 May (baptised 2 June) 1833 in Swan Yard. She appears to be the 17 year old (born in Bethnal Green) who was servant to the family of John Beaumont at 10 Commercial Place, Finsbury at the time of the 1851 census.
- vi. Henry, born 27 March 1835, baptised 20 April. He died aged 6 in January 1841.
- 59b. vii. **ROBERT**<sup>6</sup>, born 1836-7 in Spitalfields, baptised aged 1 year on 21 January 1838. An errand boy in 1851. He was a chair and cabinet maker of 11 Nelson Street when he married, on 8 February 1863 at St Philip's, Stepney, Sarah Hudson (daughter of Samuel Hudson, labourer). He died in 1868Q2 aged 30 and Sarah Skidmore married secondly Alfred Urwin, a widower and general dealer (son of James Urwin, a shoemaker) on 10 May 1869 at St John's, Clerkenwell, London.
- The daughter of Robert and Sarah (Hudson) Skidmore,**
- i. Sarah Ann, born 1867Q3 in Shoreditch. A box maker, she married George Frederick Bowry, an oilman (born 1855 in St Luke's, son of Edmund Wingfield Bowry, also an oilman) on 16 February 1890 at St Botolph without Bishopsgate, London. They lived in Goswell Road, St

Luke's, London, later moving to 50 Bingfield Street, Islington, where Mr Bowry was manager of an oil shop.

Daughters Amy Rosina and Violet Maud.

viii. Jane, born 1844Q1, baptised 18 February 1844. Hers was presumably the death registered at Bethnal Green in 1852Q1.

28. ii. [perhaps] **MICHAEL<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** married Ann \_\_\_\_\_. This could be a second marriage for Michael [14]. He was a porter of Long Alley, Shoreditch in 1813. At the time of the 1841 census his widow appears to have been the Ann Skidmore living in a large boarding house in Long Alley, aged 50[-54]. Not found later.

**Children of Michael and Ann Skidmore,**

- i. [presumably], Michael, of Kingshead Court, buried at St Leonard's on 11 November 1814, aged 2.
- ii. Thomas, born 26 September 1813, baptised 18 October at St Leonard's, Shoreditch. Thomas Skidmore of Shoreditch, aged 1 year 1 month, was buried at the Gibraltar Row Protestant Dissenters' Burial Ground, Bethnal Green<sup>18</sup>, on 18 December 1814.
- iii. [perhaps] Louisa, born mid-1820, buried in the Gibraltar Row Protestant Dissenters' Burial Ground, Bethnal Green, on 27 February 1822, aged 1 year 7 months, of Old Artillery Ground.
- iv. Thomas, born 21 May 1821 and baptised 11 June at St Leonard's, Shoreditch. He was buried in the Gibraltar Row Protestant Dissenters' Burial Ground, Bethnal Green, on 29 September 1822, aged 1 year 3 months, of Shoreditch.

**14a. JOHN<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE**, who, like Michael [7], lived in Kinglands Road, Shoreditch, was *perhaps* another of Michael's children. He had a wife Susannah \_\_\_\_\_. The burials of John and his wife have not yet been found.

**A child of John and Susannah Skidmore,**

- i. Sarah, baptised 15 September 1799 at St Leonard's, Shoreditch. She died aged 5¼ at Kingsland Road and was buried at St Leonard's on 7 November 1805.

**15. DANIEL<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE** was born about 1763 at Frampton Cotterell, presumably the son of Edward [8] and Elizabeth (\_\_\_\_) Skidmore. He married Mary Gardiner on 30 June 1798 by banns at Frampton Cotterell (the witnesses being Edward Rolph, presumably his future brother-in-law, and George Gardiner). She was perhaps baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 15 July 1764, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Gardiner. Her connection to the George Gardiner, hatter of Frampton Cotterell (abt.1772-1853) has not yet been found.

Daniel Skidmore was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 18 December 1831, aged 68 years; his wife's burial has not yet been found.

**Children of Daniel and Mary (Gardiner) Skidmore, as known,**

- i. Daniel, baptised 1 March 1801 at St James the Less, Iron Acton.
  - ii. Elizabeth, born 9 December 1802, baptised in Bristol (church unknown) on 8 May 1803.
29. iii. JOHN, born about 1806.
- iv. Lydia, baptised in Bristol (church unknown) on 31 January 1808.

**16. EDWARD<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE (SCUDAMORE)** was baptised on 6 August 1769 (called the son of Elizabeth Scudamore) at Frampton Cotterell, and presumably the posthumous son of Edward [8] and a wife Elizabeth. No marriage to Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ has been found for this Edward. He is perhaps the Edward Scudamore who witnessed the marriage in 1790 of William [17] and in 1798 of Edward [13]. So far neither his burial nor that of his wife Sarah or daughter Mary has been found locally.

**Children of Edward and Sarah Scudamore,**

- i. Ann, baptised 7 April 1796, and buried three days later on 10 April 1796 at Frampton Cotterell.
- ii. Mary, baptised 29 May 1797.

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<sup>18</sup> Gibraltar Row Burial Ground, Bethnal Green was opened in 1793. There is an alphabetical transcript for the years to 1837 three volumes on the shelves at The National Archives.

- iii. John, baptised 24 March 1799 at Frampton Cotterell.  
It is possible he was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 27 March 1825 aged 26 and 'of Winterbourne', though this is perhaps more likely John [48].

**17. WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> SCUDAMORE** was baptised on 11 January 1767 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of William [9] and Eleanor (Haynes) Skidmore. He married Sarah Ovens on 1 February 1790 at SS Philip and Jacob, Bristol (where he is called 'of Frampton Cotterell' in the register and she 'of this parish'). The witnesses were Edward Scudamore and Thomas Ovens. It is likely that William Skidmore worked for a time in Southwark, London around the time of his marriage and shortly after: circumstantial evidence suggests that a first child William was baptised there in 1791. A second child Susanna was baptised in Frampton Cotterell in 1793.

Sarah, 'wife of William Scudamore' and aged 32, was buried on 1 October 1798 at Frampton Cotterell. William Scudamore and his son moved at some after this to the city of Hereford, where William Scudamore the elder died aged 68 and was buried at All Saints' Church there on 29 June 1834.

**Children of William and Sarah (Ovens) Scudamore,**

- 29a.
- i. WILLIAM, baptised 2 October 1791 at St Saviour's, Southwark.
  - ii. Susanna, baptised 9 June 1793 at Frampton Cotterell. She is presumably the lady who married Timothy Wilcox, a hatter of Frampton Cotterell, on 28 July 1811 at St John the Baptist, Bristol. She died aged 56 and was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 9 June 1847, her husband on 22 August 1847 aged 63.

**18. JOHN<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE**, a son of William [9] and Eleanor (Haynes) Skidmore, was baptised on 25 December 1783. He is difficult to distinguish from his first cousin John [22]. He married firstly - and possibly as a minor - Hannah Maggs on 28 December 1801 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were William Reeve and William Davis. The youngest child of this marriage was born in 1808 in Southwark, London.

The burial - perhaps in London - of Hannah Skidmore has not yet been found. On present evidence it appears John Skidmore married secondly Martha Maggs on 14 August 1816 at St James, Bristol and they lived at Watley's End in Winterbourne. Their son George and his younger brothers Frederick, Robert and John and daughter Sarah were living in Watley's End at the time of the 1841 census with the family of John and Martha (Skidmore) Clegg, here presumed to be their half-sister.

A John Skidmore, hatter aged 60[-64], who might be this man, was living at the time of the 1841 census at High Street West, Eton, Buckinghamshire. He was a hatter and a pauper living with Thomas and Hannah (Hall) Boulton at Frampton Common in 1851, where he was called 'a widower'. He was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 14 December 1851, aged 70.

**Children of John and Hannah (Maggs) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. [perhaps] Martha, born about 1800 in Winterbourne. Martha Skidmore married hatter John Clegg (who was born in 1800 at Douglas on the Isle of Man) in 1829 at Kingswood. They were living in 1841 with their children in Watley's End, together with George, Frederick, Robert and John Skidmore, children of John [18]. She died in 1861Q3.
- ii. William, baptised 18 July 1802, 'of Winterbourne'. He was a collier in Penllwyn, Clawrplwyf, Monmouthshire in 1841. He has yet to be found in the census of 1851 but by 1861 was a collier (said to be single and born in 'Gloster', Gloucestershire) lodging with the family of Richard Welsh, an iron weigher, in Bedwellty. The census of 1871 states that William was a widower (born in 'Framton'), though a marriage in the 1860s has not yet been found. He was then lodging with widow Elizabeth Turner in Blackwood, Victoria, Monmouthshire. William appears to be the man whose death was registered in Bedwellty in 1874Q2 aged 73.  
Since his birthplace was given as Gloucester and Frampton - which could refer to Frampton-on-Severn - the possibility remains that either he is not the son of John and Hannah or that they spent time in Gloucester. There is insufficient evidence to decide whether or not he married.
- iii. John, baptised 16 December 1804.
- iv. Hannah, born 3 December 1805, baptised 12 January 1806.  
She is perhaps the Hannah Skidmore who had a son,
  - i. John, baptised 31 August 1823 at Frampton Cotterell.
- v. Ann Esther, born 1 May (baptised 15 May) 1808 at Saint Saviour's, Southwark, Surrey. On 6

October 1826 a removal order was issued from Southwark to Frampton Cotterell for Ann Skidmore, a singlewoman who was pregnant<sup>19</sup>.

- i. George, baptised 13 January 1828 at Frampton Cotterell and buried there later that year on 4 May, 'aged 1 year'.

**Children of John and Martha (Maggs) Skidmore, born at Watley's End, baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne,**

30. vi. GEORGE, baptised on 18 May 1817.
- vii. Elizabeth, baptised on 24 May 1818. She was a servant at Conway House, Charlton Kings at the time of the 1841 census. She married John Dyer, a plasterer (born about 1818 in Charlton Kings, perhaps a son of James and Elizabeth Dyer) on 26 August 1845 at Charlton Kings. They lived in Horsefair Street, Charlton Kings with their children. Elizabeth Dyer died in 1880Q2 aged 62.
- viii. Sarah, born 1820-21, baptised (aged 2) on 18 May 1823. She was a family servant in 1841 and married in 1846Q1 Richard Webb (born about 1824 in Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire). They were living in 1851 at Forwood, Minchinhampton, Gloucestershire, where Mr Webb was a groom. By 1861 he was a domestic gardener and their home was in Wotton Road, North Nibley, Gloucestershire. He later obtained a position in Bristol, where they lived at 7 St Michael's Crescent. During the 1870s he became an agent to a tea dealer and moved by 1881 with daughter Eliza to 29 Dollar Street, Cirencester. Mrs Webb is found in the 1881 census in Bristol with her married daughter Emily E. Fowler. She later lived in the Rowland Hills Almshouses in Wotton-under-Edge. Hers was perhaps the death registered at Dursley in 1903Q3, said to be aged 84.
- 30a. ix. FREDERICK, baptised on 18 May 1823.
31. x. ROBERT, *alias* ROBERT TANNER SKIDMORE, baptised 8 May 1825.
- xi. John, baptised on 27 July 1828. Not yet found after 1841 in British censuses.

**19. MARK<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised 23 November 1766 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of John [10] and Hannah (Clark) Skidmore. He was a hatter, and went to Southwark in London (another centre of the hatting trade).

Mark Skidmore, a hatter and said to be of the parish of St Helen's, Abingdon, Berkshire, had a licence issued by The Bishop of Salisbury in Wiltshire and Berkshire on 28 July 1790 to marry Elizabeth Clement, a spinster of the same parish<sup>20</sup>. The bondsman was William George, a brewer of Wantage, Berkshire<sup>21</sup>. She was *perhaps* born 6 November 1766, baptised 27 May 1767 at Wantage, daughter of John and Mary Clement.

Elizabeth Skidmore appears to be the 53 year old lady of that name who was buried at Deadmans Place Independent Chapel, Southwark on 2 May 1819. He is presumably the Mark Scudamore aged 65 who was buried on 5 July 1829 at Holy Trinity, Rangeworthy, Gloucestershire.

**Children of Mark and Elizabeth (Clement) Skidmore,**

- i. [presumably] John, baptised 1792 at St Helen's, Abingdon, Oxfordshire<sup>22</sup>.
- ii. Mark, born 1 February 1801, baptised 15 March at St Saviour's, Southwark.
- iii. Thomas, born 12 April 1803, baptised 7 August at St Saviour's, Southwark.

**20. GEORGE<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE** married Ann Hemmings on 4 June 1806 at St Paul's, Bristol.

On present evidence - which is patchy and confusing - it is not possible to decide whether he was baptised George Rogers Scudamore on 13 December 1776 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of John [10] and Sally (Rogers?), or was the George Scudamore baptised 18 months later on 17 July 1778 at Iron Acton, son of Daniel [11] and Hannah (Wigmore). Present evidence suggests that only one of these boys survived into adulthood - a journeyman hatter living on Adam's Lane, Frampton Cotterell at the time of the 1841 census. One clue which perhaps points to his being the son of Daniel [11] is that his (presumed) son George was living in 1841 in the same part of Frampton Cotterell as the children of Daniel [23]. The histories of George's children certainly differ

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<sup>19</sup> Bristol Record Office. P/FC/OP/3/50. From Southwark (Surrey): Ann Skidmore, singlewoman, pregnant. J.S. Caldwell (S), John Davies (S), J.P.'s (Surrey).

<sup>20</sup> Sarum Marriage Licence Bonds.

<sup>21</sup> He was perhaps baptised 1746 at Wantage, the son of Thomas GEORGE & Mary (?ANTISELL, m.1745 Banbury).

Siblings Hannah 1747, Susannah 1748, Josiah 1749, Thomas 1751, Mary 1753. More work is needed before this can be verified.

<sup>22</sup> Oxfordshire Family History Society Index 2009 09 23.

from those of Pinnel Rogers Skidmore [21], though the names which George gave to his children suggest a closer link to Pinnel Skidmore than to Daniel Skidmore.

George Skidmore was said at the time of the 1841 census (when ages were rounded down to the nearest 5 years) to be aged 55, placing his birth between 1782 and 1786. However, at his death in May 1849 he was said to be aged 76, which would place his birth around 1772-73.

Ann Skidmore was perhaps baptised 25 January 1776 at Frampton Cotterell, daughter of George and Sarah Hemmings<sup>23</sup>. She was living in 1851, a pauper [i.e. on parish relief], at The Ridge, St Saviour's, Coalpit Heath. She was said in 1841 to be aged 60[-64], and in 1851 to be aged 73 and was born at Winterbourne. She is presumably the lady living at the time of the 1861 census in Chipping Sodbury Workhouse, who died aged 80 and was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 24 December of that year.

The marriage of George Skidmore to Ann Hemmings took place on 4 June 1806 at St Paul's, Bristol. However, there were earlier children of a couple called George and Ann baptised at Frampton Cotterell between 1798 and 1800. A daughter Sarah Skidmore, born about 1801, appears to be sister to William Skidmore born about 1815; they are both known to be children of George Skidmore from Australian records. They both emigrated to Australia in 1848 and William was apprenticed to Sarah's husband. On 27 July 1809 a warrant was issued to George Skidmore by Samuel Webb, charged by William Skuse, acting Overseer of Frampton Cotterell, for absconding from the parish leaving his wife and family chargeable to the parish<sup>24</sup> (suggesting more than one child at this time). Until other evidence emerges, it is here assumed that all the children listed below are those of George [20] described here.

**Children of George and Ann Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

32. i. JOHN, baptised 9 September 1798, 'son of George and Ann Scudamore'.
33. ii. GEORGE, baptised 27 November 1800, 'son of George and Ann Scudamore'.
- iii. Sarah, born about 1801. She married firstly George Green, a hatter, on 28 June 1822 at St Nicholas, Bristol and they lived in Frampton Cotterell. George Green and seven children are found there at the time of the 1841 census. (William Skidmore, a poor child aged 14, was apprenticed on 30 December 1830 to George Green, a hatter of Frampton Cotterell, to learn hatting - this was presumably her brother William [35]).  
The family emigrated in 1848 to New South Wales. Green died in 1850 soon after arriving in Australia and Sarah married secondly James Pickering in 1853, and 3rdly John Gabb in 1858. She died on 23 March 1879 aged 78 at Sydney. Her death record notes that she was a daughter of George Skidmore, and had lived in New South Wales for 31 years.  
George and Sarah Green's eldest son Mark married Cecelia Jemima Agnes Coffey and continued as a hatter, with a shop in George Street, Sydney.

**Children of George and Ann (Hemmings) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- iv. Hannah, born 22 May (baptised 6 September) 1807. She appears to have married Thomas Heavens, an agricultural labourer (born about 1795), on 18 December 1823 at Frampton Cotterell. Abraham Huggins was a witness. The family lived at Winterbourne Down and he died in 1859Q3. Mrs Heavens and some of their children continued to live in Winterbourne, where she died in 1864Q1.
- v. Martha, born 27 January (baptised 25 February) 1810.
34. vi. THOMAS, born 1811.
35. viii. WILLIAM, born about 1815 and baptised 6 December 1823 at Frampton Cotterell.

**21. PINNELL<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised Pinnel Rogers Scudamore (but otherwise is found as Pinnel Skidmore) on 28 March 1779, a son of John [10] and Sally (Rogers?) Skidmore. He was a hatter and married Tryphena Maggs on 3 February 1802 at Frampton Cotterell, with William House and William Davis acting as witnesses. They lived at Frampton Cotterell until 1817 and then moved into Bristol, or at least used the Ebenezer Chapel there for baptisms.

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<sup>23</sup> Ref. IGI, not checked with original.

<sup>24</sup> Bristol Record Office. P/FC/C/1/6.

If their son William has been correctly identified in later censuses (as the husband of Betsy Cooper) then his birth took place in the Fishponds area of Bristol around 1807. Pinnell and his wife would appear to have spent some time in Bristol between around 1815 and 1820 when some of their children were baptised at the Ebenezer Wesleyan Chapel, Old King Street there. (More research is needed into the local development of Methodism, since it is possible that local Methodist meetings were held at Westerleigh but baptisms took place at Bristol).

They were living in 1841 in Kendalshire, Westerleigh. The *Bristol Mercury* reported on 4 March 1843 the sale of houses in Winterbourne in the possession of Pinnell Skidmore and Thomas Skidmore. The latter was presumably Thomas [33], his nephew. Tryphena Skidmore died at Winterbourne and was buried at St Michael's on 25 May 1843, followed by her husband who was buried on 28 April 1850 at Winterbourne called in the register 'of Coalpit Heath' aged 71.

**Children of Pinnell Rogers and Tryphena (Maggs) Skidmore,**

- i. William, buried an infant at Frampton Cotterell on 30 May 1802.
- 36. ii. WILLIAM, born 8 April 1806.
- iii. Hannah, born about 1806 in Chapelton, Gloucestershire or about 1811 in Fishponds, Bristol according to different censuses. She married coal miner Samuel Tovey (?d.1844Q1) and they were living with their children in Kendalshire, Westerleigh in 1841. Hannah Tovey, a widow and outdoor farm servant, was living by 1851 at Brockridge Hill, Frampton Cotterell, with lodger Thomas Williams, whom she later married on 19 March 1866 at Holy Trinity, Bristol (stating that her father was 'Pennel Skidmore'). He was a labourer born about 1821 at Frampton Cotterell, son of Abraham Williams, and they continued to live at Brockridge until at least 1871.

**the following baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- iv. Charles, born 19 October (baptised 20 November) 1807. He was buried on 26 November 1807.
- v. John, born 24 September (baptised 30 October) 1808. He was buried on 10 January 1809.
- vi. Daniel, born 31 December 1809 (baptised 28 January 1810). He is perhaps the child buried six days later on 4 February 1810 (although if this is so called *John* in the register).
- vii. Martha, born 22 March (baptised 4 April) 1811. She died an infant, buried 17 April 1811.
- viii. Thomas, baptised 24 January 1813. The name of his first wife is not known. He married secondly, by licence (and using the surname *Skidmore*) Alice Moody, a spinster, on 9 February 1834 at Winterbourne. R. Clark and James Harcombe were witnesses. Nothing further known.
- ix. Martha, baptised 14 May 1815. She was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 20 December 1815.
- 37. x. JOSEPH, baptised 2 February 1817.
- xi. Martha, born 26 December 1818 and baptised on 19 October 1819 at the same time as her older brother William at the Ebenezer Wesleyan Chapel, Old Kings Street, Bristol.
- xii. John, born 1821 at Winterbourne.
- xiii. Esther, baptised 22 April 1823, and buried four days later at Frampton Cotterell on 27 April 1823 'aged one year'.

**22. JOHN<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE**, hatter of Winterbourne, was baptised 15 April 1787, a son of John [10] and Sarah (Rogers?) Skidmore.

A hatter, John Skidmore married Ann Banfield on 11 September 1808 at St James, Bristol. Ann Banfield appears to have been baptised on 30 January 1785 at Winterbourne, daughter of Richard and Elizabeth (Jones) Banfield. The burial of Ann Skidmore, aged 44 of Watley's End, took place on 18 October 1829 at Winterbourne.

Widower John Skidmore, a hatter and son of John Skidmore hatter, married Mrs Elizabeth Kitchen on 20 August 1837 at St James, Bristol. They were both said to be resident at the Horse Fair, Bristol, close to St James' church, but it can perhaps safely be assumed that they were, in fact, residents of Winterbourne. Elizabeth was born about 1789, daughter of John Wright. John Skidmore was enumerated as a hatter aged 52 in the 1841 census and was living with his wife at Watley's End. Elizabeth Skidmore died later in that same year and was buried at Winterbourne on 10 October 1841, aged 52.

He appears to have married thirdly Harriet Maggs on 31 January 1842 at St James, Bristol (who had been born at Winterbourne about 1792, daughter of Solomon Maggs). He and Harriet aged 64 and 59 were enumerated in 1851, along with Elizabeth Cullimore, aged 9, a lodger. He died immediately thereafter and was buried at Winterbourne, aged 63, on 25 May 1851.

**Children of John and Ann (Banfield) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne,**

- i. Ann, baptised on 26 March 1809. She married Thomas Lowe, a journeyman felt hat maker (born about 1806 at Winterbourne) on 29 April 1833 at St James, Bristol and was living in 1841 in Watley's End next to her father and stepmother<sup>25</sup>. Their first son John Lowe was born on 19 February 1838 in Winterbourne, possibly Watley's End as he was baptised at Salem Chapel in Watley's End on 23 May 1839. He was later baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne on 19 October 1845.  
On 15 February 1872 the Trustees of the Perry Almshouses in Winterbourne wrote in the minutes: 'Whereupon the Trustees approved of and nominated Anne Lowe aged 63 who was born in and lived in the parish of Winterbourne all her life and is otherwise duly qualified and her husband Thomas Lowe to occupy the house No3 ...'. Ann Lowe died in August 1879 with a stated age of 71 on her death certificate. The informant was her son-in-law George Tanner, husband of Thomas and Ann's daughter Sarah.
39. ii. JOSEPH, baptised 14 October 1810.
40. iii. MOSES, born 8 February 1812.
- iv. Stephen, born 1815 at Winterbourne. He was a labourer, lodging close to the home of his brother Moses at the time of the 1841 census. Later that year he married firstly Mary Ann, a daughter of William Pandy, a waterman, of Bushley, Worcestershire (born 1808, and previously the widow of \_\_\_\_\_ Caldwell), on 13 June 1841 at Barnwood, Gloucestershire. He was a brickmaker at Nine Acres Brick Yard in Sandhurst, Gloucestershire, rising to foreman by 1871. He then became a coal merchant, no doubt in the business of his brother Jabez, and was living by 1881 with his wife at 37 Mark Street, Gloucester. She died at Gloucester early in 1883, and he married secondly Helen Augusta (born 1830 in Nottinghamshire), daughter of Joseph Keveren of Gloucester on 24 July 1883 at St Mark's, Gloucester. He died on 29 March 1887 at Gertrude Villa, Oxford Road, Gloucester (after a long and painful illness according to an obituary in the *Gloucester Citizen*), leaving a will. His widow was a dress and mantle maker at 93 Oxford Street in 1891, and married James Redwood, a widower, on 30 September 1891 at St John the Baptist, Gloucester.
- v. Valentine<sup>26</sup>, born 1817 (baptised 28 April 1822 at St Michael's, Winterbourne on the same day as his brother Caleb). A boatman on the Severn, he was lodging at the time of the 1841 census on the Quay at Ashleworth. By 1861 he had become a lock keeper, presumably near to his lodgings in Bath Lane, St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester, but he was later a lock keeper at nearby Hempsted. He married Elizabeth (born 1829), a widow of William Bubb, on 31 October 1864 at Hempsted. He died on 9 October 1875 at Gloucester Infirmary apparently without issue and leaving a will, and his widow continued to live at their home at Barn Close Cottages, Hempsted with her former mother-in-law Mary Bubb. Eliza Skidmore was a laundress, living alone, at Hempsted village in 1891. She died there in 1897Q3 aged 75.
41. vi. CALEB, baptised 28 April 1822 at Winterbourne.
- vii. Orson, born 1823 at Winterbourne. He was a brickmaker in the village of Longford St Mary before his marriage to Emma (born 1825), the daughter of William Hancock of Longford, Gloucestershire on 20 November 1849 at St Matthew's, Twigworth, Gloucestershire. He was a bricklayer, aged 24, in 1851 and they were living on Tewkesbury Road, Longford St Mary. He became a grocer there by 1861 and was living with his wife in 1871 at St Mary's, Longford in a household that included Elizabeth Handcock his mother-in-law, aged 69. He died in 1878Q2, aged 56, and his widow continued their grocery business on Longford Road until at least 1891. She was cared for in her later years in Gloucester Asylum and died in 1903Q2 aged 79.
42. viii. JABEZ, born in 1825 at Winterbourne.

<sup>25</sup> I am grateful to Lawrence Lowe, descendant of their son George Lowe, and others for help - given our existing evidence - in disentangling the histories of John [18] and John [22].

<sup>26</sup> *Valentine and Orson*, a romance which has been attached to the Carolingian cycle. It is the story of twin brothers, abandoned in the woods in infancy. Valentine is brought up as a knight at the court of Pippin, while Orson grows up in a bear's den to be a wild man of the woods, until he is over-come and tamed by Valentine, whose servant and comrade he becomes. The two eventually rescue their mother Bellisant, sister of Pippin and wife of the emperor of Greece, by whom she had been unjustly repudiated, from the power of a giant. 1911 Encyclopædia Britannica.

**23. DANIEL<sup>4</sup> SKIDMORE**, hatter of Frampton Cotterell, was baptised there on 27 September 1772, son of Daniel [11] and Hannah (Wigmore) Skidmore. He married Ann Holder on 18 November 1788 at Frampton Cotterell, the witnesses being Daniel Taylor and William Scudamore. On 26 June 1806 three of Daniel's sons - William, George and James - were apprenticed to him 'to learn hatting'.

Daniel Skidmore's death was presumably that registered at Chipping Sodbury in 1839Q1. His widow died at Yate, but was buried as Ann Scudamore at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell on 2 May 1841, 'aged 71'.

**Children of Daniel and Ann (Holder) Skidmore, born and baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

44. i. GILES, baptised 15 February 1789.
45. ii. DANIEL, baptised 11 May 1790.
46. iii. WILLIAM, baptised 29 January 1792.
47. iv. GEORGE, baptised 27 October 1793.
- v. James, baptised 25 July 1795. He was buried on 22 July 1810, aged 15, at Frampton Cotterell.
48. vi. JOHN, baptised 12 November 1797.
- vii. Ann, baptised 10 November 1799. She appears to be the lady born about 1798 at Westerleigh who married William Pinnel, a hatter (born about 1796 at Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire and perhaps a widower), on 3 August 1828 at Kingswood. A son John Skidmore Pinnell of Watley's End was baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne on 22 March 1835. Ann Pinnell's death was perhaps that registered at Clifton in 1857Q4.
- viii. Hannah, baptised 28 February 1802. She is perhaps the lady who married Samuel Curtis on 25 December 1822 at Frampton Cotterell, witnesses by Stephen Turner and William Burrows. This couple have so far not been found in censuses.
49. ix. LUKE, baptised 10 July 1803.
50. x. EDWARD, born 28 February 1805.
- xi. Sarah, born 21 September (baptised 23 November) 1806. She was buried on 28 June 1820 aged 13 at Frampton Cotterell.
51. xii. NATHAN, born 24 May 1808.

**24. WILLIAM<sup>24</sup> SCUDAMORE** was living as head of a household at 59 Monmouth Street, St Giles in the Fields, Middlesex [London] at the time of the 1841 census. He was stated to be a general shopkeeper at St Giles in 1840, at the marriage of his daughter Sarah, and a grocer at the second marriage of his son Robert. His age in 1841 is given as 65 which places his birth between 1772 and 1776, though when he died at this address on 8 December 1841 of 'Decay of Nature', he was said to be aged 61. A Mary Ann Dixie attended his death, a lady so far unidentified.

All members of this household were said to have been born in Middlesex, though for William's son-in-law at least this was not the case. On present evidence it is only possible to speculate about William Scudamore's date and place of birth. (Note he is ten years too young (reportedly) to be the same as William [17]). The connection with the Flook family suggests roots in Frampton Cotterell. The name Flook was relatively rare in London but common in Bristol, particularly in the St George area. His daughter Sarah married a Flook from St George, Bristol (as did daughters of Giles Scudamore [44])<sup>27</sup>.

**Children of William Scudamore, born in St Giles, London,**

- i. William, born 1802-06, a printer at the time of the 1841 census. His death was presumably that registered in the St Giles district in 1859Q3.
53. ii. ROBERT, born about 1813 in St Giles.
- iii. Sarah, born about 1815 in St Giles. Sarah *Scudamore* married Robert Flook, a carpenter (baptised 3 February 1811 at St George, Bristol, a son of Aaron, cordwainer, and Elizabeth (Cane) Flook) on 7 June 1840 at St George, Bristol. John Collins and Aaron Flook witnessed the marriage. Robert and Sarah Flook moved from St Giles to Tothill Street, St Margaret's, Westminster during the 1840s. Mr Flook died in 1862Q2 and his widow moved to Wellington Road, Bethnal Green, where she died in 1871Q4 aged 56.

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<sup>27</sup> Samuel Flook, a boot maker (born about 1823 in St Giles) was living with his wife at 18 Dudley Street, St Giles - formerly called Monmouth Street - at the time of the 1851 census. He was perhaps a son of Samuel, a cooper, and Ruth Flook of Church Lane, St Mary Whitechapel, and married Mary Mathie in January 1850 at St Pancras Old Church. There is no obvious connection to Robert Flook's family on present evidence.

## GENERATION 5

**26. JEREMIAH<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of John [12] and Ann (Simonds) Skidmore, was baptised on 27 May 1792, *THE FIRST SKIDMORE ENTRY IN THE REGISTERS OF ST MICHAEL'S, WINTERBOURNE*. He married Hannah Cooper on 31 August 1814 at St James, Bristol. He died on 22 May 1840 at the Clifton Workhouse aged 48, but was buried at Winterbourne.

**A son of Jeremiah and Hannah (Cooper) Skidmore,**

54. i. CHARLES, baptised 13 January 1816 at Stoke Gifford, son of 'Jeremiah and Anna Skidmore'.

**27. GEORGE<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of John [12] and Ann (Simonds) Skidmore, was baptised 22 June 1800 at Westerleigh. He married Mary Ann Maggs (who was baptised 26 March 1809 at Winterbourne, daughter of Luke and Mary Maggs) on 2 March 1840 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. They were living in 1841 in Winterbourne in the home of her mother Mary Maggs, aged 70[-74] and with 9-year old Sarah Maggs, who appears to have been later called Sarah Skidmore. In 1861 they were on Winterbourne Street in Mangotsfield. A hatter, he died aged 74 at Winterbourne and was buried on 22 November 1874 at St Michael's. His wife was buried there on 31 October 1880 aged 72.

**Children of George and Mary Ann (Maggs) Skidmore, baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne,**

- i. Sarah, *Maggs* later called *Skidmore*, born 1832. She was living at home in 1851, a dressmaker, and is presumably the Sarah Skidmore who witnessed in 1855 the marriage of her brother George.
- 55. ii. GEORGE, born about 1837.
- iii. Ann, baptised 31 March 1840. She was buried at Winterbourne on 3 April 1840, aged seven days.
- 56. iv. HENRY, born 1841Q3.
- 57. v. JOHN, born 1844Q1.
- 58. vi. JAMES, born 1846Q2.
- 59. vii. WILLIAM, baptised 10 June 1849.
- viii. Ann, baptised 6 June 1852. Annie Skidmore married Joseph Pulling/ Pullin, a stone quarry labourer (born about 1856 in Stoke Gifford, Gloucestershire) at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol on 5 June 1876 and lived in Winterbourne Street next to her brother James. At the time of the 1891 census Joseph Pullin was working away as a coal miner, in Llangeinor, Glamorganshire. The death of *Annie* Pullin, aged 44, was registered at Barton Regis in 1897. Joseph Pullin married secondly Adelaide Parnell in 1899.

**Ann Skidmore had a son,**

114. i. WILLIE/ WILLIAM, baptised 14 September 1873.

**29. JOHN<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** was born about 1806 at Frampton Cotterell, the son of Daniel [15] and Mary (Gardiner) Skidmore. He married Ellen Parsloe on 4 September 1825 at Long Ashton, Somerset. She was perhaps born 2 March 1809 at Long Ashton, Somerset and baptised Eleanor there on 28 October 1810, daughter of Richard and Hester Parsloe. John Skidmore was at first a labourer, perhaps in a mine since he was a coal miner at the time of the 1861 census, and their home was in Providence Street, Long Ashton. John was said to be aged 65 when he died; he was buried at All Saints, Long Ashton on 8 August 1869. His widow was living in 1871 at Ashton, an annuitant aged 64. By 1881 Mrs *Eleanor* Skidmore was lodging in the home of the schoolmistress in Long Ashton and died early in 1891, said to be aged 77.

**Children of John and Eleanor (Parsloe), born and baptised at All Saints, Long Ashton,**

- i. Elizabeth, born 8 March 1826, baptised 17 May 1829. She married Alfred Biss, a colliery labourer and later a gamekeeper (born about 1825 in Long Ashton, son of Thomas Biss) on 1 December 1844 at St Mary Redcliffe and lived in Providence Street, Long Ashton. The death of Elizabeth Biss at the age of 55 was registered in Bristol in 1880Q3.
- ii. Sarah Ann, baptised with her sister Elizabeth in 1829. She married labourer William Pile (born about 1824 in Bedminster, son of Thomas Pile) on 28 October 1849 at St John's, Bedminster and was living in Providence Street, Long Ashton until at least 1861. By 1871 the family had moved to Nursery, Bedminster. At the time of the 1881 census, when William Pile was described as a coke

burner, their home was 4 Talbot Street, Bedminster. Mrs Pile died in 1893Q1 aged 63, her husband in 1897Q3, said to be aged 75.

- iii. Hester/ Esther, born 14 May 1831 and baptised Hester on 12 June. She married Francis James, a Police Constable and later an accountant (born about 1832 in Barrow Gurney, Somerset), in 1855Q4 and was living in 1861 and 1871 in Mount Pleasant Terrace, North Street, Bedminster. Mrs James was widowed by 1881, a laundress, living with her children next to or with her son John. Her home was at Highbridge Common, Bishopworth, Bedminster in 1891. She died in 1898Q2 aged 68.

**Hester Skidmore had a son,**

115. i. JOHN, born 1854Q1.
- iv. Hannah, born February 1838, baptised 20 September 1840. She married William Moxham, a Police Constable (born about 1836 in Dundry, Somerset, son of Peter Moxham) on 30 January 1859 at St Paul's, Bedminster. They were living in 1861 in Bedminster with her sister Esther but moved in the late 1860s to Long Ashton, where Mr Moxham was an agricultural labourer and later ran a market garden. Mrs Moxham died in 1907Q2 aged 69, her husband in 1908Q1 aged 72.
- v. Eliza, born 26 August (baptised 20 September) 1840. She died aged 3 and was buried at All Saints, Long Ashton on 26 November 1843.

**29a. WILLIAM<sup>5</sup> SCUDAMORE**, a journeyman hatter of Hereford and Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire, was probably born in Southwark around 1789<sup>28</sup>. William son of William Scudamore, a hatter, and his wife Sarah, was baptised at St Saviour's, Southwark, London on 2 October 1791. He appears to have moved to the city of Hereford with his father some time after the death of his mother in 1798 at Frampton Cotterell.

William Scudamore married Elizabeth Clarke at St Owen and St Peter's, Hereford on 6 December 1812. She was perhaps a daughter of John and Elizabeth Clarke, baptised at Ross-on-Wye in 1796. We know from parish registers that in 1814 they were living at Bye Street, Hereford. He was a hatter in Bilston, Staffordshire in 1815 at the time that their second child was baptised. Before 1817 the family had moved to New Street, Ross on Wye, where they remained until at least 1841, moving before 1851 to the High Street in Ross, where William was also then running a beerhouse as well as pursuing his trade as a hatter.

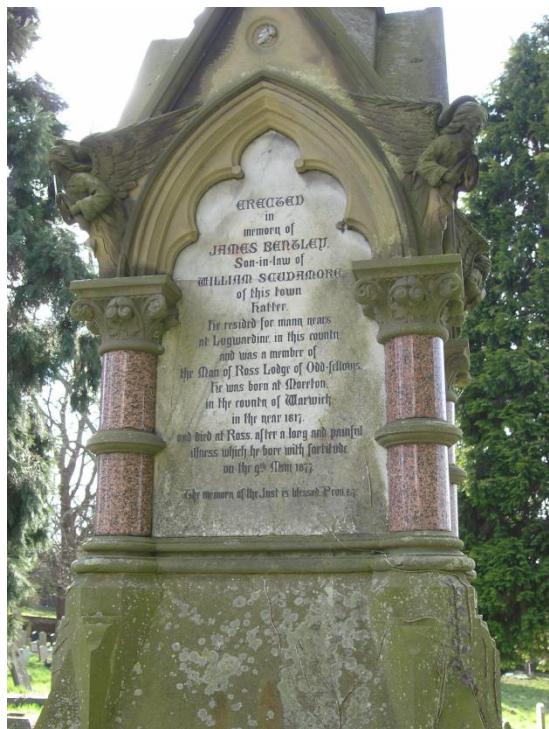
William Scudamore died at Hereford on 9 November 1872 aged 83, his wife on 10 May 1878. Both are buried in the churchyard of St Mary's, Ross-on-Wye and are remembered on a gravestone and also on the monument erected to the memory of William's son in law. I am grateful to descendant Lynne Cleaver for the following pictures of their memorials, together with much information about their descendants.

**Children of William and Elizabeth (Clarke) Scudamore,**

- i. Pricilla, born 6 September 1814, buried aged 1 month at St Peter's, Hereford, on 22 September.
- 59c. ii. THOMAS, baptised at Bilston, Staffordshire on
- iii. Harriet Elizabeth, baptised Harriet on 12 December 1817. She married James Bentley (born about 1821 in Morton Baggott, Warwickshire) in 1845. At the time of the 1861 and 1871 censuses they were working - as coachman and housekeeper - for Edward Griffiths J.P. at his home New Court, Lugwardine, Herefordshire.
- The magnificent memorial to James Bentley in St Mary's churchyard, Ross, reveals that he lived for many years at Lugwardine, Herefordshire and was a member of the Man of Ross Lodge of Odd-fellows in Ross. He died at Ross after a long and painful illness on 9 May 1877 aged 58. His widow moved to Hereford where she died in 1904Q1 aged 86.
- iv. William, baptised 15 May 1820. He died at the age of 7 and was buried 26 August 1827.
- v. John, baptised 30 September 1822. A tailor's apprentice in Hereford, he died unmarried on 29 July 1847 and was buried at Ross on 3 August.
- vi. Charles, baptised 14 July 1824. He died at nine months old and was buried 7 April 1825.

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<sup>28</sup> He stated his age and birthplace in the following censuses:  
1841 50[-54], Herefordshire;  
1851 61, Hereford;  
1861 72, in Southwark;  
1871 83, in London. He was said to be aged 83 when he died in November 1872.



*Below right:*  
 ERECTED in memory of JAMES BENTLEY  
 Son-in-law of WILLIAM SCUDAMORE of this town hatter.  
 He resided for many years at Lugwardine in the county  
 and was a member of the Man of Ross Lodge of Odd-fellows.  
 He was born at Morrton, in the county of Warwick in the year  
 1817  
 and died at Ross after a long and painful illness which he bore  
 with fortitude, on the 9th May 1877.

*Other faces of this memorial are shown below.*



- vii. Richard, baptised 24 February 1826. He died at three weeks old, buried 1 March 1826.
- viii. Mary, born 12 December 1827, baptised 31 January 1830. She died aged 7 and was buried 27 May 1834.
- ix. Elizabeth, born 4 December 1829 and baptised with her sister Mary. She was a house servant at Lower Whitall, Walford, Herefordshire before her marriage. She married firstly Cornelius John Viton on 30 September 1856 at Holmer, Herefordshire. He was by 1851 (called John Viton and recorded as being deaf) a smith's hammerman, living with Elizabeth's parents in Ross. His death has not been found but Elizabeth Viton married secondly in 1871Q1 in Monmouth registration district, Thomas Herbert, a shepherd (born about 1834 in Newent, Gloucestershire) and they were living at census time that year with her father in Ross. They appear to have taken over the inn in the High Street. In her widowhood she lived with her daughter in Hereford, where she died in 1906Q3 aged 75.

Elizabeth Scudamore had a daughter,

- i. Harriet Kate, born 1850Q4 and baptised 18 May 1851 when her mother was living in Cope Cross Street. She was living at the age of 10 with her aunt Ann (Scudamore) Davies. She went to work as a parlourmaid at New Court, Lugwardine, where her aunt Harriet (Scudamore) Bentley was housekeeper. Harriett Kate Scuddamore married James Rowberry, a carpenter and builder (born about 1851 in Lugwardine) in 1877Q2 and lived in Hereford. Her marriage certificate lists grocer Daniel Fisher

Collins (died 1855 age 68, of Copse Cross Street) as her father. Mrs Rowberry died 2 October 1936 aged 85.

Children, as known - Harriet Edith, Herbert James, Francis George.

- x. Ellen, baptised 10 August 1832. She died at eight months and was buried, as Eleanor Scudamore, on 11 April 1833.
- 59d. xi. RICHARD GEORGE, born 11 March 1834.
- xii. William, baptised 10 July 1836, buried 13 December that year aged 1 year.
- xiii. Ann, born 1837, baptised 4 March 1838. She married Arthur Daniel Davis, a baker (born about 1833 in Nailsea, Somerset) on 14 June 1857 at Ross. They began married life in Ross, moving about 1862 to Hereford, where Mr Davis was a master baker and confectioner whose home and business was in Widemarsh Street. Anne Davis died in Hereford in 1902 aged 64, her husband on 1 March 1907 aged 74 (naming as his executors William Davis, ironmonger, and John Marchant, grocer). Children, as known - Alice Edith, Thomas William, Francis George.
- xiv. Henry William, baptised 17 August 1845. William Henry Scudamore married, at All Saints, Hereford on 17 August 1868, Mary Baylis (born 1844 in Ebrington, daughter of William and Rebecca Baylis). Mr Scudamore was a plasterer, having been apprenticed to James Hatton, a plasterer of Hereford. He died without issue at Ebrington, Gloucestershire in 1884Q1 aged 38. Mary Scudamore then continued to live in Ebrington, with her mother Rebecca until her mother's death. Mary died on 1 February 1925 aged 79.

**30. GEORGE<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** baptised 18 May 1817 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of John [18] and Martha (Maggs) Skidmore. A hatter, he lived at Watley's End in Winterbourne. He married Sarah Hollister (born about 1821 at Watley's End, daughter of William Hollister, hatter), on 24 December 1851 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, witnessed by John Hollister and Isabella Bryant. He is called a 'felt hat maker' at Watley's End in 1861. He died at Watley's End aged 55 and was buried on 23 February 1873. His widow Sarah became a trouser maker and spent the last years of her life in one of Winterbourne's almshouses. She died aged 83 and was buried on 19 March 1904, like her husband at St Michael's.

**Children of George and Sarah (Hollister) Skidmore, baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne,**

- i. Julia Eliza, born 1852Q4 and baptised on 26 December 1852. She was a servant in Bristol before her marriage on 7 November 1875 at St Gabriel's, Clifton to William Blake, a baker (born about 1854 at Warmley, son of George Blake). They were living in 1881 at 9 Lead House Lane, in the parish of St George but later spent a time in Stapleton and, by 1901 were at 13 Pennywell Road, SS Philip and Jacob, Bristol. Mrs Blake died in 1910Q2 and her husband married secondly Alice Roberts later that year.
- ii. Elizabeth White, born 1855Q4 and baptised on 23 December 1855. She was at the time of the 1871 census a nurse to the family of a publican in Small Street, St Ewens, Bristol. Elizabeth White Skidmore married George Nicholls, a carpenter and undertaker (born about 1856 at Winterbourne), on 6 March 1880 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, witnessed by her sister Martha Isabella Skidmore. They were living in 1881 in Brinkworthy Road, later settling at Ivy Villa, Stapleton in Bristol. Mrs Nicholls died in 1931Q3 aged 76.
- iii. Martha Isabella, born 1858Q1, baptised on 18 March 1860 (aged two). She was a domestic servant in Winterbourne and Westbury-on-Trym before her marriage to William Henry Brice (1860-1899, son of Alfred Brice) on 14 June 1886 at St Andrew's, Montpelier, Bristol. She was his widow in 1901 running a bakery business from her home at 130 Grosvenor Road, Bristol. She married secondly William Greenslade Pengelly (born about 1875 in Burlescombe, Devon) in 1901 at Bristol and he was running a bakery business in 1911 with his stepsons William A Brice and Ernest Brice at 23 Russell Street, Bristol. Mrs Pengelly died in 1928Q1 aged 70.
- v. Sarah, born 1859Q4, baptised on 18 March 1860. A trouser maker, living with her mother at Wadley's End before her marriage to George Evans on 4 April 1885 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, witnessed by her brother William and by Sarah Jane Evans. He was a stone dresser in a quarry, born about 1859 at Winterbourne Down, son of William Evans, a collier. George and Sarah Evans lived at Harcombe's Hill, Winterbourne Down.
- v. Ann, born 1862Q1 and baptised on 9 March 1862. She was buried at St Michael on 6 August 1865, aged three years.
- vi. William Theophilus, registered as William in 1864Q2, baptised on 14 August 1864. He was a

carpenter and married Alice (born 1862 at Worcester, daughter of Robert Preece, carpenter) on 3 April 1886 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were William Fowler and Ann Sophia Fowler. They were living at 8 Page Street, Swindon, Wiltshire in 1891 where he was a railway wagon builder. In 1901 they were living at 13 Salisbury Street, Swindon. Alice Skidmore died in 1937, her husband in 1938Q2.

**30a. FREDERICK<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised on 18 May 1823, the son of John [18] and Martha (Maggs) Skidmore. He was a butcher's apprentice in 1841. Not yet found thereafter in British censuses, he is almost certainly the man who at the age of 25 went as an assisted migrant to New South Wales, arriving on 21 May 1849 aboard the *Lady Amherst*. He married Elizabeth Rogers in Alexandria, Paddington, New South Wales in 1854. He appears to be the Frederick Skidmore whose death was registered at Rockdale, New South Wales in 1902.

**Children of Frederick and Elizabeth (Rogers) Skidmore,**

- 59a. i. **JOHN<sup>6</sup>**, born 1855. He married Rachel Campbell in 1906. He died at Harrow Road, Rockdale on 6 March 1929, aged 73 and is buried at Woronora Church of England in Kogarah. Rachel Skidmore died in 1937, presumably his widow.
- i. Eileen Margaret, born in 1908. She died at 9 months old, her death being registered in Rockdale.
- ii. William, born 1858 in Kingston, New South Wales.
- iii. Sarah, born 1859 in St George, New South Wales.
- iv. Florence, born 1862 in Kingston. She died unmarried on 23 March 1926 and was buried at Woronora Church of England in Kogarah.
- v. Elizabeth, born 1866.

**31. ROBERT *alias* ROBERT TANNER<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 8 May 1825 at Winterbourne, the son of John [18] and Martha (Maggs) Skidmore. He married Mary Plaisted on 4 May 1847 at St John the Baptist, Gloucester. She was baptised at Churcham, Gloucestershire on 11 November 1827, daughter of John and Mary Plaisted, and was living in 1841 with Thomas Gardner, an agricultural labourer, and his wife Elizabeth (who witnessed her marriage to Robert Skidmore) at Buckells Row, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

Robert Skidmore was a cordwainer, aged 28, at Kew Place, Cheltenham in 1851 where he stated that he was born at Bristol. The family moved around 1856 to Charlton Kings where they lived at 8 Rose Hill Street (1861) and at 54 Park Street (1871). They were living in 1881 at Prospect Cottages, Glenfall Street, Cheltenham. Robert *Skidmore*, a shoemaker, was living with his wife and his son George in 1891 at 5 Fairview Road in Cheltenham. He died in 1893 aged 68, and his widow at 3 All Saints Road, Cheltenham on 26 December 1896 aged 72, leaving a will.

**Children of Robert Tanner and Mary (Plaisted) Skidmore, born in Charlton Kings,**

- i. Elizabeth, born 1847Q4. She was living in 1851 in Church Street, Charlton Kings, with her uncle and aunt - the couple with whom her mother was living in 1841 - Thomas Gardener, a labourer (born about 1794 in Charlton Kings) and Elizabeth his wife (born about 1794 in Oxnal, Gloucestershire). She appears to be the Elizabeth Skidmore whose death was registered at Cheltenham in 1854Q4.
- ii. Mary Ann, born around April 1850. She was a housemaid employed in 1871 at 1 Alexander Terrace, Kingsholme St Catherine. She married Frank Gregory, a widower (born about 1854 in Cheltenham), a 'fly proprietor' in 1880Q3 in Cheltenham. They were living next to her parents in 1881 at Prospect Cottages before separating - he to continue his hackney carriage business in Henrietta Street, Cheltenham, she to keep a lodging house at 54 Fairview Road, Cheltenham. At the time of the 1901 census, Beatrice May Skidmore (born 1897Q2 in Cheltenham) was living with Mrs Gregory; she married in 1917.
- iii. John, born 1852Q2. A stone mason. Visiting in 1881 the home of laundress Mrs Ann Cottrill at North Cottage, Northfield Passage, Cheltenham. He was a bar manager in a public house in 1891 living at 3 Northfield Terrace in Cheltenham. Mrs Rose Gwinnell remained his housekeeper after he became a commission agent and moved to Marlhill Parade before 1901. He was living by 1911 with his brother Frederick and died at Cheltenham in 1915Q1 aged 63.
- iv. [perhaps] Ellen, born 1854Q2, died 1854Q3.
- iv. Elizabeth, born 1856Q1. A dressmaker in 1881 living at 3 Queens Buildings, Wellington Passage, Cheltenham. Not yet found later.

- v. Frederick, born 1858Q2. He was a painter in 1881 at 16 Marlhill Parade, Cheltenham. He married Cornelia Rex, a dressmaker (born about 1854 in Down Ampney, Gloucestershire), in 1887Q1 in Cheltenham. They were living in 1891 at 2 Grosvenor Cottages, and had settled by 1901 at 1 Gloucester Place. Mr Skidmore died at Cheltenham in 1919Q1 aged 62, his widow in the Pontypridd registration district in 1924 aged 71.
- 60. vi. ROBERT HARRY, born 1860Q2.
- 61. vii. ARTHUR WILLIAM, born 1863Q1.
- 62. viii. GEORGE CHARLES THOMAS, born 1865Q2.
- ix. Charlotte Ellen, born 1867Q2. She married, on 24 May 1885 at Cheltenham Parish Church, Willie Evans, a chemist's assistant (born 1865Q2 in Cheltenham, son of James Evans, baker, and Amelia (Price) of Regent Street, Cheltenham). The death of her husband is probably that of William Evans aged 30 registered at Cheltenham in 1895Q2. She married secondly in Cheltenham in 1898Q2 Charles Benjamin Holtam, a fishmonger (born about 1869 in the USA, a British Subject) and they lived at Daisy Cottage, Swindon Road, Cheltenham. Mrs Holtam died in 1921 aged 53.
- x. Sarah Jane, born 1868Q3. She married Albert Minett, a baker (son of Hamlin Minett, also a baker) on 4 October 1887 in Cheltenham. The witnesses were Robert Skidmore and Alice Gregory.

**32. JOHN<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, was born at Coalpit Heath and baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 9 September 1798, the son of George [20] and his wife Ann. John Skidmore married Harriet Griffiths (born 1806 at Pontypool) on 14 February 1825 at Trevethin, Monmouthshire. On 2 June 1830 a removal order was issued by the Monmouthshire Justices of the Peace for Harriet, wife of John Skidmore, from Mynyddyslwyn to Frampton Cotterell, and for her children Ann (aged 5), Martha (aged 3), and Matilda (12 months). I have not been able to find this family in the census of 1841. They had, however, returned to Wales by 1851 and were living at Fleur de Lys, Clawrplwyf, Monmouthshire, where John and his son William were coal miners.

Harriet Skidmore died in 1864Q3, her husband in 1868Q1 aged 68.

**Children of John and Harriet (Griffiths) Skidmore,**

- i. Ann, born about 1825. Not yet found in the 1841 census.
- ii. Martha, born about 1827. She perhaps married in Newport registration district in 1849Q4, though not identified with certainty in later censuses.
- iii. Matilda, born mid-1829. She appears to have married a widower Henry Owen, a coal tipper, in 1864 and was living in 1871 in Lydia Ann's Terrace, Cwm, Llanhilleth, Monmouthshire.
- 63. iv. WILLIAM, born 1833 at Blackwood, Monmouthshire.
- v. Amelia, born 1835-36 in Fleur de Lys, Mynyddyslwyn<sup>29</sup>. She married James Browning, a colliery foreman and local Methodist preacher (born about 1833 in Thornbury, Gloucestershire) in 1854Q3 and lived in Blackwood, Bedwellty and, by 1871, in New Tredegar where he later became the manager of a shoe store. Mrs Browning died in 1893Q4 aged 57.
- vi. Jane, born 1838Q1 in Fleur de Lys, Mynyddyslwyn. She appears to have married John Thomas, a coal miner (born about 1836 in Mynyddyslwyn) in 1859Q1 and was living by 1861 in Fleur de Lys, Clawrplwyf hamlet. Jane Thomas died in 1873Q4 aged 35; her husband married secondly Mrs Mary Cooper in 1874Q2.

**33. GEORGE<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, hatter of Frampton Cotterell, was a son of George [20] and Ann Skidmore, baptised 27 November 1800 at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell.

George Skidmore married Hannah Tanner (born about 1806 in Frampton Cotterell) presumably a daughter of [Robert?] and Hannah Tanner, on 7 February 1825 at Frampton Cotterell. The witnesses were John Souse and Richard Packer (?the clerk). They were living in Brockridge, Frampton Cotterell in 1841, at which time Mrs Skidmore's mother Hannah Tanner apparently shared their home. However, he was a colliery worker at Ebbw Vale, Aberystwith parish, Monmouthshire when he died of typhus fever on 1 April 1848. He was buried at the Beaufort Church there, said to be aged 47.

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<sup>29</sup> A parish in Monmouthshire, 8½ miles N.W. of Newport and 7 S.W. of Pontypool. The parish contained, at the time of the 1868 *National Gazetteer of Great Britain and Ireland*, the hamlets of Mynyddmaen, Clawrplwyf, and Penmaen/Penmain.

His widow was living by 1851 with her daughter Elizabeth, both dressmakers, in Aberystroth, Monmouthshire. Hannah Skidmore appears to have married widower Edward Owen of Ebbw Vale, an iron weaver (born about 1793 in Glamorganshire and formally the husband of Susan \_\_\_\_\_) in 1853Q4 in the Abergavenny registration district. They were living in 1861 at 30 Forge Row, Ebbw Vale, with children from Mr Owen's previous marriage. Mr Owen died in either 1862 or 1867, his wife perhaps in 1866Q2, said to be aged 62.

**Children of George and Hannah (Tanner) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Mary Ann, baptised 25 December 1825. She married John James, a coal miner (born about 1817 in Bedwellty, Monmouthshire) in 1847Q1 and they were living by 1851 at Flowerdeluce, Mynyddyslwyn, apparently with a child of a former marriage of Mr James - Alice born in 1843 in Mynyddyslwyn - and their son Hezekiah born in 1848 in Bedwellty.
- ii. Caroline, baptised on 27 May 1827. She married Charles Goodman (1830-1916), a groom from Shirehampton, in 1849Q1 in Abergavenny registration district, and was living with her husband in Shirehampton in 1851, a dressmaker. They had moved by 1861 to Clifton and he was, for at least a time which included the 1871 census, an innkeeper in the village of Warmley, Gloucestershire. They returned to Clifton, a western suburb of Bristol, where Mr Goodman was a coachman and beer retailer, living in Waterloo Place (1881) and a cab proprietor living over the stables at Caledonia Mews (1891 & 1901). Caroline Goodman died in 1896Q3 aged 69.
- iii. Robert Tanner, baptised on 24 January 1830. Robert Skidmore died at New Town, Aberystroth and was buried at the Beaufort Church there on 3 July 1847, a few weeks after his brother Hezekiah.
- iv. Elizabeth, baptised on 6 May 1832. She was buried 23 March 1834 at Frampton Cotterell, aged 2.
- v. Elizabeth, baptised on 19 July 1835. A dressmaker in 1851 in Aberystroth, she married William Rosser, a rail inspector (born about 1824 in Caerleon, Monmouthshire and a lodger in Elizabeth's home at the time of the 1851 census) in 1852Q2. They were living in 1871 in Mount Pleasant, Aberystroth.
- vi. Eliza, her birth and death registered as Skidmore, baptised as *Skidmore* on 26 May 1839. She was buried 18 April 1840 aged 1 year.
- vii. Eliza, registered and baptised as *Skidmore*, baptised on 14 November 1841. She was buried 26 November 1843 aged two years.
- viii. [presumably] Hezekiah Tanner, birth registered at Chipping Sodbury in 1845Q3. Hezekiah Skidmore died aged 2 years and was buried in Aberystroth at Beaufort Church on 25 May 1847.

**34. THOMAS<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, was born in 1811 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of George [20] and Ann (Hemmings) Scudamore. A hatter, he married Ann Maggs (born 1804 at Bitton, Gloucestershire, probably the daughter of Israel Maggs, hatter of Oldland Common, Bitton and Hannah (Short)) on 30 December 1834 at St James, Bristol and their first three known children were born in Bitton. They moved in the late 1830s to Kendalshire, Westerleigh, though Mrs Skidmore and her daughter Harriet were also recorded at Oldland Common, Bitton in 1841 in the homes of her presumed father and brother, both called Israel Maggs.

They were living in 1851 at Fire Engine (Side Gate), Bath Road, Bristol and had moved by 1861 to Lead House Lane, St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol, where they remained until at least 1881. His wife died aged 80 and was buried at the Wesley [?Chapel], Redfield on 7 January 1883, and Thomas Skidmore followed in 1889 aged 75, buried 10 February.

**Children of Thomas and Ann (Maggs) Skidmore, as known,**

- i. Harriet, baptised 20 August 1837 at St Anne's, Oldland but perhaps born in 1836. A 'servant of all work' in 1851 to the family of William and Ann Howe in Lippiatts Buildings, Bath Road, St George. She appears to have married William Palmer, a boiler maker (born about 1833 in Siston, Gloucestershire) in 1856Q1. They were living in 1861 in Albert Place, St George, Bristol and later lived in Lead House Lane and Bright Street in the St Philip's area of Bristol. She died in 1894Q1 aged 58 and her husband was living by 1901 with their daughter Mrs Harriet Taylor.
64. ii. JOSEPH, born 1837Q3 at Bitton.
65. iii. THOMAS, born 3 October 1841 at Westerleigh.

**35. WILLIAM<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, hatter of Kingswood, Gloucestershire and later New South Wales, is known from his death registration to have been born about 1815 and a son of George Skidmore. He was baptised on 6 December 1823 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of George [20] and Ann (Hemmings) Skidmore. William Skidmore,

a poor child aged 14, was apprenticed on 30 December 1830 to George Green, a hatter of Frampton Cotterell, to learn hatting. He was a journeyman hatter living at his parents' home in Adam's Lane in 1841.

William Skidmore, hatter of Kingswood, son of hatter George Skidmore, said he was of full age at the time of his marriage on 11 December 1842 to Mary Ann Wilcox (baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 25 January 1824, daughter of Timothy Wilcox, a hatter and his wife Susannah), at Holy Trinity, Bitton. They emigrated to Australia in 1848 on the *Fairlie*. He died on 9 April 1879 'aged 64' at Tarlo, New South Wales, and was buried on the 11th near Goulburn. His widow died on 20 June 1902 at Tarlo Gap, near Goulburn, aged 77.

**Children of William and Mary Ann (Wilcox) Skidmore,**

- i. Mark, born 1844Q1 and baptised as *Skidmore* on 24 March 1844 at Frampton Cotterell.
- 65a. ii. ALFRED, baptised 7 June 1846 at Frampton Cotterell.
- iii. Eliza, born 30 November 1848 at Kenmore, New South Wales. She married Joseph Erby on 5 January 1869, and died on 29 August 1927.
- iv. Thomas, born 1851, baptised Tom in February 1853 at St Saviour's, Goulburn.
- 65b. v. WILLIAM, born about 1853.
- vi. Jonathan Wilcox, born 4 March (baptised 18 May) 1855. He died in 1856.
- vii. Mary Ann, born 1857. She died in 1859.
- viii. Martha, born 11 October 1858 at Darby, Murray's Flats. She married Henry Albert Gibbons on 15 November 1882. She died on 22 March 1924.
- ix. George, born 1860.
- x. Charles W., born 1862.
- xi. Sarah A., born 1865.

**36. WILLIAM<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** was born, according to the Ebenezer Wesleyan Chapel baptism register, on 8 April 1806, the son of Pinnell [21] and Tryphena (Maggs) Skidmore. He was baptised on 19 October 1819. He would appear to be the shoemaker of Westerleigh and later St George, Bristol, born in the Fishponds or Stapleton area (according to different censuses), who married Betsy Cooper at St Paul's, Bristol on 14 April 1828.

William and Betsy Skidmore were living at Kendalshire, Westerleigh in 1841, close to the families of his supposed father Pinnell Skidmore and cousins Joseph and Thomas (sons of George Skidmore). All of his sons are found later in the St George area of Bristol which suggests that William Skidmore was the first of the family to settle there, in the late 1840s. By 1851 their home was at Fire Engine Side Gate (Bath Road), St George, though his wife was not at home. Although he said at the time of this census that he was married (not widowed), his wife was probably the Betsy Skidmore buried at St Michael's, Winterbourne on 17 February 1850 aged 42.

By the time of the 1861 census William was living on Lyppiat Lane in St George with his three youngest children. He died in 1872 aged 66 and was buried on 15 September at St George's.

**Children of William and Betsy (Cooper) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne, baptisms at St Michael's,**

- 66. i. THOMAS, baptised 28 March 1830.
- ii. William, born about 1833. A mason's labourer at the time of the 1851 census, living at the family home in Fire Engine, St George, Bristol. He married Eliza Hale (born about 1838 at Rowberrow, Somerset, daughter of James Hale) on 29 August 1860 at St Paul's, Bristol and was a railway labourer, his wife a dressmaker. They lived in St John Street, Bridgwater, Somerset but by the time of the 1881 census had moved to George Lane at St George, Bristol. Jane Hale, his mother-in-law, lived with them until at least 1891. William Skidmore was a shoemaker in Bristol and took on his sister Elizabeth's son Ernest Leonard as an apprentice shoemaker after the death of both his sister and her husband.  
William Skidmore appears to have died in the Keynsham registration district in 1898Q2, said to be aged 61.
- 67. iii. CHARLES, born 1835.

*Birth registrations have not been found for the following children.*

- iv. Ann, born about 1837. She appears to be the Ann Skidmore, daughter of William who married Charles Rawlings, a glass packer (born about 1839 in ?Anstet?, Bristol, son of Isaac Rawlings) on 20 November 1859 at St Augustine the Less, Bristol and was living by 1861 in Moorfields, Bristol St George (when she said she was born in Kendalshire, Westerleigh) with their son William Charles

- Rawlings (born 1860Q2). Ann Rawlings' death was perhaps that registered at Clifton in 1865Q1 and her husband married secondly Elizabeth (?Jones m.1865Q4 Bristol).
- v. Elizabeth, born about 1839. She was a cotton weaver in 1861. She married Albert James Leonard (born about 1840 in St George, Bristol, son of John Leonard) on 9 December 1861 at St James', Bristol. He was described in 1861 census as a 'labourer at anything' and in 1881 as an unemployed coppersmith. Lodging with them in 1871 at 29 Morley Street, St George were William Skidmore and Joseph Skidmore both aged 15 and born in St George. Birth registrations have not been found for either boy as Skidmore, and neither boy is found in other censuses at St George, or elsewhere. Mrs Leonard died in 1876Q3 (Clifton reg.) aged 36 and later that year her husband married the widow of her brother John Skidmore [70].
  - vi. Daniel, born April or May 1841. He died in 1842Q4.
  - vii. Nathaniel, baptised 23 December 1842 at St John the Baptist, Frenchay. He was buried there on 1 January 1843 and called 'of Frenchay'.
  - viii. Daniel, born about 1844. He was a porter in 1861. His death appears to be that registered at Clifton in 1868 aged 25, buried at St George's on 14 July.
68. ix. JOSEPH, born about 1847.
- x. Eliza, baptised 9 August 1849 at Winterbourne, 'a daughter of William and Betsy Skidmore, cordwainer of Winterbourn'. She was buried there three days later on the 12th aged four months. Her death was registered at Clifton.

**37. JOSEPH<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Pinnell Skidmore [21], was baptised 2 February 1817 at Frampton Cotterell. A hatter, he married Dinah Palmer (baptised at Holy Trinity, Kingswood 25 May 1823, daughter of Robert Palmer, collier and his wife Ann) on 2 January 1840 at Holy Trinity, Bitton. They began their married life in Kendalshire, Westerleigh but by 1851 they had moved to the area of St George in Bristol known as Fire Engine, and by 1861, when Mrs Skidmore was a shoemaker, were living at 39 Winsford Street. They were living in a room at 4 Tower Hill in Bristol in 1871, Dinah then a hat trimmer. Joseph Skidmore died in the 1870s (perhaps in 1877Q1 though this man's age at death was only 55, when Joseph would have been nearer 60).

Dinah Skidmore was living, a widow, with her son-in-law Henry Gullick at 14 Victoria Street (in the same parish) in 1881. For a time (including 1891) she was a sick nurse to a family in St George, Bristol and was living a widow and alone, at 19 Amberley Street, in 1901. She died in 1905Q2 aged 86.

**Children of Joseph and Dinah (Palmer) Skidmore, baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne,**

- i. [perhaps] a male child registered at Keynsham, born and died in 1840.
- ii. Martha, born 1842Q3 at Mangotsfield but baptised 22 June 1845, aged two, at Winterbourne. She married Henry Gullick, an engine driver (born in 1845 at Bristol, son of Mark Gullick, a lead roller, and his wife Susannah) on 8 June 1870 at St Matthias', Bristol. They lived with their family in the St Philip's area of Bristol, where Mr Gullick died in 1910, said to be 62, after which Mrs Gullick lived with the family of their son Frank Gullick in Barton Hill Road.
- iii. Mary, born 1845Q2. She was baptised, an infant, at the same time as her sister Martha and died later that year, buried 27 August at Holy Trinity, Bristol.

**39. JOSEPH<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised on 14 October 1810 at Winterbourne, apparently a son of John [22] and Ann (Banfield) Skidmore. He married Rachel Flook on 23 June 1834 at St James', Bristol. In the census of 1851 Rachel's husband Joseph Skidmore gave his birth year as 1811 or 1812 and his birthplace Winterbourne. He was a brickmaker at the time of the baptism of his son John in 1835 and by 1841 they were living at Kendalshire in Westerleigh, where he was an agricultural labourer. His wife Rachel was buried at St Saviour's, Coalpit Heath on 24 March 1850, aged 43 years, called 'of Kendalshire'.

Joseph Skidmore was a grocer's carter in Kendalshire at the time of the 1851 census and the head of the only Skidmore family remaining at Westerleigh. Joseph and two daughters are said to have emigrated to the US around 1857, though this cannot be verified by online sources.

**Children of Joseph and Rachel (Flook) Skidmore, baptised at St James the Great, Westerleigh,**

- ?70. i. JOHN, baptised 24 March 1835.
- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 26 February 1837. She was a seamstress at Bristol Royal Infirmary in 1861. Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph Skidmore, married Thomas Drew (son of Robert Drew) on 18 October 1867 at Holy Trinity, Bristol. Nothing further known.

- iii. Hannah, baptised 12 August 1838. Not found in British censuses after 1851, suggesting she was the second daughter said to have gone to the US with her father.
- iv. Frances Sarah, born 16 April 1841 according to the IGI, baptised 6 June. Her age of 8 months as given on census night 6 June 1841 should presumably be 8 weeks.

**40. MOSES<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, of Ashleworth and later the Gloucester area, was born 8 February 1812 (baptised *Scudamore* 12 March) at Frampton Cotterell, the son of John [22] and Ann (Banfield) Skidmore. He married Ann Brown (born 1816 at Iron Acton) on 30 March 1835 at St James, Bristol. He was an agricultural labourer and lived on Sandhurst Road in the hamlet of Longford St Mary until at least 1851. They had moved by 1861 to live on Moreton Street in the hamlet of Barton St Mary. He died there in 1870Q1, aged 57.

His widow remained in Moreton Street, probably until her death in 1889Q3. At the time of the 1871 census she was described as a lodging house keeper, though the only other people in the household were family. Alfred Henry, her son, took over as head of household after his marriage.

**Children of Moses and Ann (Brown) Skidmore, baptised at SS Andrew and Bartholomew, Ashleworth,**

- i. Elizabeth, born 1835, baptised 8 January 1837 and said in the censuses of 1841 and 1851 to be two years older than her brother George and born in Ashleworth. However, she said consistently in later censuses that she was born about 1837. She married William Henry Davies, a canal pilot (born about 1838 in Purton, Gloucestershire) in Gloucester in 1862Q4. They lived until at least 1891 at 5 High Street, Barton St Mary before moving to 21 Wellesley Street, Gloucester. Mrs Davies died late in 1911 aged 74, her husband in 1915Q3 aged 75.
- 71. ii. GEORGE, baptised 8 January 1837.
- iii. Mary Ann, born 4 September (baptised 6 October) 1839 at Ashleworth. She was a domestic servant in Cardiff at the time of the 1861 census. She married William Brown, (born about 1839 in Oaksey, Wiltshire) on 25 December 1865 at Gloucester. He was by 1871 a greengrocer, firstly in Vauxhall Road, Barton St Mary, Gloucester (though all their children before and after this date were born in Swindon) and later in Fleet Street, Swindon, Wiltshire. Mary Ann Brown's death at the age of 55 was presumably that registered at Highworth in 1894Q4. Mr Brown died in 1907Q3 aged 67.

**and born in Longford St Mary,**

- iv. Eleanor, born 1844Q3. Called Ellen in the census of 1861 (and aged 20, born in Sandhurst), a 'maid of all work' to a family in Gloucester. She appears to have married James Burgess, a stocktaker and timekeeper (born about 1843 in Oaksey, Wiltshire) in 1864Q4 in the Newport registration district in Monmouthshire, and lived in Upper Llanvrechfa. Children, as known - Emily, Anne, Thomas, Elizabeth, John H., Eleanor, William A.
- v. Louisa, born about 1848. She was buried on 11 January 1855 at St Swithin's, Hempsted, aged seven.
- vi. Jane, born 1850Q2 at Longford or Hempsted. She was living at home in 1861, and married Frederick George Evans, a carpenter (born 1850Q1 in Frampton<sup>30</sup>) on 14 June 1870 at the Countess of Huntington Connection Chapel, St Mary's Square, Gloucester. They were living in 1871 at Barton St Mary in her mother's home but spent time in Bury, Lancashire in the late 1870s and then moving to Carr View Terrace, Blaby [Doncaster], Yorkshire by 1881, where Mr Evans obtained a position as foreman in a coach building factory. Around 1882 they moved again, to live in Tottington, Bury, Lancashire, where Mr Evans was a railway wagon maker. Jane Evans died in September 1889.

**and born in Hempsted,**

- vii. Emily, born 1853Q1. She was buried on 16 May 1855 at St Swithin's, Hempsted, aged two, a few months after her sister Louisa.
- 72. viii. ALFRED HENRY, born 1856Q2 at Hempsted.

**41. CALEB<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 28 April 1822 at Winterbourne, the son of John [22] and Ann (Banfield) Skidmore. A waterman, he married Ann Lee (born 1826 in Gloucester, daughter of William Lee, a waterman) on 2 May 1848 at St Nicholas', Gloucester. They were living at the time of the 1851 census at New Town, Barton St Mary and, by 1861, at 73 Westgate Street, Gloucester. Caleb Skidmore died in 1868Q3 aged 47.

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<sup>30</sup> His birth was registered at Gloucester, so this is presumably Frampton-on-Severn and not Frampton Cotterell.

His widow lived at Quay Court, Gate Road, Gloucester with her daughters and married costermonger Joseph Edwards on 15 October 1875 at St Nicholas', Gloucester. He died late in 1876 aged 51 and she was living in 1901 at 46, Royal Oak Yard, Lower Westgate Street, Gloucester.

**Children of Caleb and Ann (Lee) Skidmore,**

73. i. EDWIN, born 1848Q3.  
 ii. Rhoda, born 1849Q4. She was buried on 17 July 1850 at St Lawrence, Sandhurst, aged nine months.  
 iii. Elizabeth, (whose birth registration has not yet been found), was born at Sandhurst and said to be 10 months old at the time of the census of 30 March 1851 and 10 years old at that of 7 April 1861. She married George Beard, a bargeman (born about 1843 in Dymock, Gloucestershire), on 17 July 1871 at St James', Gloucester. They were living in 1881 at 8 Newtown, Gloucester and were, by 1891, in Quay Road. George Beard's death appears to be that registered at Gloucester in 1898Q4 (though he was said to be only 50) and Mrs Beard married secondly William Hopkins, a boat steerer (born about 1842 in Tewkesbury). They were living on a cabin boat in Birmingham at the time of the 1901 census, with two daughters of Elizabeth's first marriage and 7-year old Leah Hopkins.  
 iv. Valentine, born 1853Q4. He died an infant in the same year.  
 v. Ann, born 1857Q1. She married (as Annie Skidmore) William Voyce, a lighterman on the Severn (born about 1857 in Gloucester, son of waterman William Voyce), at St Nicholas', Gloucester on 25 December 1876. They lived in Royal Oak Yard and later in Quay Court, Gloucester. Mrs Voyce died in Gloucester in 1924Q3 aged 67.  
 vi. Emily, born 1859Q2. She married Thomas Daniel Hopton, a bricklayer (born about 1862 in Gloucester, son of John Hopton, a shipwright) on 1 August 1880 at St Catherine's, Gloucester. In 1881 they were living there at 36 Sweetbriar Street in the hamlet of Kingsholm St Mary but had moved by 1891 to Royal Oak Yard near her sister Ann. After a few years spent in Maisemore, Gloucestershire around 1895, they returned to Sweetbriar Street. Some of Ann's and Emily's children found work at a local jam factory. Mrs Hopton died in 1928 aged 68.  
 vii. Harriet, born 1862Q1. She was living at home in 1881. She married Thomas Kilminster, a dock labourer (born about 1860 in Hereford, son of labourer William Kilminster) at St Catherine's, Gloucester on 29 June 1881. They began their married life in Gloucester, moving to 4 Moreton Terrace, Sharpness (close to her nephew Frederick Skidmore) around 1890. One of their daughters - Harriet Kilmister - married Harriet's nephew Ephraim Skidmore [131].
74. viii. CALEB, born 1864Q3.  
 ix. [perhaps] Annie Elizabeth, born and died in 1868Q2.

**42. JABEZ<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, born in Winterbourne about 1825, a son of John [22] and Ann (Banfield) Skidmore. He was at first a waterman and at the time of the 1851 census was visiting the home at Quay Court, St Nicholas, Gloucester of his future wife Mrs Jemima Watts (and her son Henry Watts aged 5). He married firstly Jemima, born in 1809 in Gloucester St Nicholas a daughter of John Williams (and who was previously the widow of \_\_\_\_\_ Watts) on 26 September 1852 at St Matthew's, Twigworth, Gloucestershire and they were living by 1861 in Church Buildings, Westgate Street, Gloucester. She died in 1869Q4, and he was enumerated in 1871 on the boat 'Jemima' (seemingly named for his first wife) then docked at Hammerwich, Staffordshire.

During the 1870s he appears in Kelly's Directories as a coal merchant in Gloucester. He married secondly Rebecca (born in 1828 a daughter of Philip Samuel Dallen of Wandsworth, Surrey) on 28 July 1872 at the York Road Chapel, Lambeth, Surrey. They were living by 1881 at Priory Road, Gloucester. Jabez Skidmore died at 4 Promenade Villas, Oxford Road, Gloucester on 14 November 1891, aged 67. He left an estate valued at £475, with his nephew Edwin William Dallen of 1 Priory Road, Gloucester, coal merchant, his executor. His widow died in 1914Q2 aged 86.

**The following are said to be children of Jabez and Jemima (Williams) Skidmore,**

- i. Joseph, born 1853Q3. He died an infant in the same year.  
 ii. Ann, born 1854Q4. She died an infant and was buried at St Nicholas, Gloucester on 18 February 1855.

**44. GILES<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** of Frampton Cotterell, a son of Daniel [23] and Ann (Holder) Skidmore, was born in 1788 but baptised on 15 February 1789. A hatter, he married firstly Mary Grant (buried 23 February 1812 aged 22) on 3 July 1809 at Frampton Cotterell, witnessed by Christopher Holder and William Reeve.

He married secondly Diana Jennings on 30 January 1814 at St Nicholas, Bristol. She was born in 1786 and was sometimes called *Hannah* Scudamore at the baptism of their children. Giles' family moved to Winterbourne at some time between 1823 and 1835 but continued to use Frampton Cotterell for burials. He died at Winterbourne and was buried on 5 February 1843, aged 55, at Frampton Cotterell. His widow was a nurse at Watley's End in Winterbourne where she died at the age of 75 and was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 30 November 1861.

**Children of Giles and Mary (Grant) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. John, born 19 September (baptised 18 October) 1809. He died an infant and was buried on 5 November 1809.
- ii. George, born 8 April (baptised 12 May) 1811. He was buried on 16 February 1812.

**Children of Giles and Diana (Jennings) Skidmore,**

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  - iii. HENRY, baptised 10 July 1814.
  - iv. Mary, baptised 15 September 1816. She married Thomas Flook on 27 December 1834 at St George, Bristol, Gloucestershire. She died in the year following and he married secondly her sister Elizabeth Flook.

**baptised as children of Giles and Hannah Skidmore,**

- v. Elizabeth, baptised 9 August 1818. She married Thomas Flook, a hatter on 14 February 1836 and they were living at the time of the 1841 census in the home of her parents in Winterbourne, with their four children. They are said to have emigrated to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (although no mention has been found of them in the United States). I have not found them in later British censuses.
- vi. Honour, baptised 16 April 1820. She was buried an infant on 21 February 1821 at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell.
- vii. Sarah, baptised 13 January 1822. The death of Sarah *Skidmore* at Winterbourne was registered at Bristol, but was buried as *Skidmore* at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell on 7 April 1839 aged 17.
- viii. James, baptised 20 April 1823. He was buried an infant at St Peter's, on 21 October 1823.

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  - ix. GILES, baptised 21 November 1824.
  - x. James, baptised 23 July 1826. He married Hannah, (born about 1815, a daughter of Joseph Lowe, a hatter), at St Michael's, Winterbourne on 29 October 1845. James Harcombe and Susannah Turner were witnesses. James Skidmore was an agricultural labourer and lived with his wife, a staymaker, at first in the home of his mother Diana and, by the time of the 1861 census, on Watley's End Lane. He was buried at St Michael's on 11 April 1869, aged 42. His widow Hannah, supported by Parish Relief, lived on there to the age of 68 and was buried at St Michael's on 2 December 1882.
  - xi. Mark, baptised 3 August 1828. He died at Winterbourne but was buried at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell on 3 June 1835 aged eight.
  - xii. Hannah, baptised 13 September 1829. She died at Winterbourne but was buried at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell on 28 June 1835 (?1834) aged five.
  - xiii. Eleanor, baptised 30 September 1832 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, daughter of Giles Skidmore, hatter of Winterbourne, and Diana. She was a staymaker, living at home in 1851. I have not found her in later censuses.

**45. DANIEL<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised 1 May 1790, the son of Daniel [23] and Ann (Holder) Skidmore. He was a felt hat maker of Bermondsey and later of Southwark who married Ann Hale (perhaps baptised 19 May 1799 at Barkway, Hertfordshire, daughter of John Hale and his wife Frances) on 22 May 1825 at St Bride's, Fleet Street. The addresses they gave at the times of their children's baptisms show that they lived in West Place in 1826 and, from about 1828 until July 1837, in Richardson Street, Bermondsey.

Daughter Ann Eliza was born in Southwark in 1837Q3 and they were living at the time of the 1841 census in Flint Street there. Daniel Skidmore died in 1847 at Friar Street and was buried on 17 December at St George, Southwark. His widow and children - all employed in the bookbinding and envelope-making trades - were at 6 Upper Green Street by 1851. Mrs Skidmore became a nurse and lived with her daughter Ann Eliza until at least 1871. By 1881 she was a servant in Headley, Hampshire, where she died on 23 May 1882 at Heath House, aged

84. She left a will naming her son James Skidmore, vellum binder of Little Alie Street, Lemon Street, Whitechapel, London as her executor.

**Children of Daniel and Ann (Hale) Skidmore, baptisms (as known) at St Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey),**

77. ii. DANIEL CHARLES, born 11 May (baptised Daniel on 3 September) 1826.  
iii. John, buried 24 August 1828 aged seven months.  
iv. John, born 5 August (baptised 29 November) 1829.
78. v. JAMES, born 17 November 1830.  
vi. John, buried 24 January 1832 aged five months.  
vii. Frances Ann, born 4 February (baptised Ann Frances 26 May) 1833. She was buried 20 April 1834 aged 14 months.  
viii. Edward, buried 31 January 1834 aged eight months.  
ix. Frances Hale, born 8 February 1835 and baptised 5 July 1837 (of Richardson Street). She was living at St Bride's when she married James Wood, a shoemaker (born about 1832 in Walworth), on 8 December 1857 at St Bride's Fleet Street. [The witnesses were Daniel and Ann Eliza Skidmore, presumably her parents]. Mrs Wood died in 1889Q2 in Southwark aged 54.

**and baptised at St John's, Waterloo (St John the Evangelist, Lambeth),**

- x. Ann Eliza, born 19 July 1837 in Southwark, baptised with her younger sister on 3 April 1853. A stationer in 1871. She married John Robert Woollett of Union Road, a warehouseman (born about 1840 in Bermondsey, son of John Woollett) on 20 October 1872 at Holy Trinity, Newington. The witnesses were her sister and brother-in-law James and Frances Wood. She died in 1879Q1 aged 40 and John Woollett was living a widower at the time of the 1881 census with his son Alfred John Woollett aged 6 at Block 4E, Pea B (?Peabody) Buildings, East Lane, Bermondsey.
- xi. Sarah Hannah, born 11 March 1841, and a minor of Paradise Street at the time of her marriage on 9 December 1860 at St Mary's, Lambeth to William Pearce, a boot rivetter (born about 1839 in Clerkenwell, son of Thomas Pearce, carman). Samuel Clark and Caroline Baldwin were witnesses. William and Sarah Pearce moved from Lambeth during the 1860s to settle at 16 Henshaw Street, Walworth?/ Lambeth?, where they remained until at least 1901. Sarah continued to work as a bookfolder.

**46. WILLIAM<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised 29 January 1792, the son Daniel [23] and Ann (Holder) Skidmore. He was presumably the 'poor child' aged 14 who was apprenticed on 12 February 1806 to John Ovens, feltmaker of Frampton Cotterell, to learn feltmaking<sup>31</sup>.

A hatter, he married Leah Drew (who died in 1849Q3, her death registered for some reason at Clifton) on 27 March 1815 at St Nicholas, Bristol and was living in 1841 at Brockridge, Frampton Cotterell. A labourer, he died on 28 September 1849 aged 57 of 'malignant cholera' and was buried the following day at Frampton Cotterell.

Several of his children went soon after his death to Bristol settling in the parish of St Philip and St Jacob. Ebenezer (and his wife Sophia), Eli, Henry, Luke, and their sister Sarah were all enumerated in the same household in 1851 at 30 Twinnell Street, while William's eldest sons James and William Skidmore were the heads of households nearby.

**Children of William and Leah (Drew) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Mary Ann, baptised 23 July 1815.  
ii. Susannah, baptised 8 December 1816. She was in service in Stoke Bishop before her marriage on 6 July 1841 at St Paul's, Bristol to Charles Terrett, a mason (born about 1819 in Bristol St Philip 1818-69, son of Thomas Terrett). They lived in Twinnell Street next door to the family of her brother Ebenezer Skidmore. Mrs Terrett died in 1897Q2 aged 80.
79. iii. JAMES, baptised 21 June 1818.  
iv. Leah, baptised 6 August 1820. She married Samuel Collings Rogers, an agricultural labourer (born

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<sup>31</sup> 1806 William Skidmore, a poor child aged 14, by Henry Andrews and Robert Turner, churchwardens, and John Screen Tovey and James Palser, overseers of F.C., to John Ovens, feltmaker of F.C., until W.S. is 21, to feltmaking. J.O. (S). Allowed by Samuel Webb (S) and Joseph A. Small (S), J.P.'s. P/FC/OP/5/60 13 February 1806. Source Bristol Record Office.

- about 1815, son of William Rogers, a labourer) on 18 March 1838 at Frampton Cotterell and was living there in 1841 with their children James 3 and Susannah 1. Mr Rogers died in 1841Q4, his widow in 1851Q1.
- v. William, baptised 2 June 1822. An agricultural labourer, living at home in 1841. On 18 October 1847 William Skidmore, a labourer of Boot Lane, Bedminster, son of William Skidmore, hatter, married at Bedminster Parish Church Rebecca Cocker (born about 1824 in Liverpool, daughter of Thomas Cocker, a cordwainer). Benjamin John Room and Mary Ann Lansdown were witnesses. William, a labourer and his wife were living by 1851 at 16 Philadelphia Street, St Paul's, Bristol. So far not found later.
- 81. vi. EBENEZER, baptised 23 November 1823.
  - 82. vii. GEORGE, baptised 21 August 1825.
  - viii. Sarah, baptised 22 July 1827. She was living, single and aged 22, with her sister Susannah Terrett in Bristol in 1851. She married Charles Cattell (born about 1826, son of John Cattell) on 21 July 1856 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. Nothing further known.
  - ix. Luke, baptised 1 February 1829. He died an infant.
  - x. Luke, baptised 27 March 1831. He died an infant.
  - 83. xi. ELI, baptised 17 March 1833.
  - 84. xii. HENRY, baptised 14 December 1834.
  - xiii. Matilda, baptised 12 March 1837. She appears to have married widower George Harris, a marine stores and general dealer in Kingsland Road, St Philip's, Bristol (born about 1822 in St Philip's, Bristol and previously married to Ann \_\_\_\_\_) in 1856Q1 in Clifton registration district. This Matilda Harris died in 1883Q4 aged 46, her husband in 1889Q1 aged 65.
  - 85. xiv. LUKE, baptised 9 June 1839.

**47. GEORGE<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, a son of Daniel [23] and Ann (Holder) Skidmore, was baptised on 27 October 1793. A hatter at Frampton Cotterell, George Scudamore married Hester Bryant there on 14 May 1816, witnessed by William Reeve and Maria Fidler. She is called Esther in the baptism registers of Frampton Cotterell.

They went up to London for a brief time and lived in Bell Court, Bermondsey but Esther, at least, returned to Frampton Cotterell. On 29 December 1831 the Overseers of the Poor issued a removal order from Frampton Cotterell to Bermondsey, London, to Esther, wife of George Skidmore, who had deserted her children Elizabeth (aged 9), Caroline (aged 6), George (aged 5), and Mary Ann (aged 11 months). Neither George nor his wife have yet been found in records after 1831.

**Children of George and Hester (Bryant) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell except as stated,**

- 86. i. PHILIP alias PHILIP WELSH, baptised 'Philip Scudamore' on 10 November 1816.
- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 13 May 1821. She was a servant at the time of the 1841 census in Doncaster Place, Old Kent Road, London. Elizabeth Skidmore married George Jeffreys, an engineer (born about 1826 in Lambeth, London) in 1849Q2 in Clerkenwell registration district. They were living in 1851 in Roupell Street, Lambeth with their one-year old son Philip. So far not found later.
- iii. Mary Ann, died at Bell Court, Bermondsey, buried 22 October 1823 aged one year, two months at St Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey.
- iv. Caroline, baptised 7 August 1825 at St Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey. She was a servant in the household of William Young, woolstapler of Russell Place, Bermondsey in 1841. She probably married William Hague Wright (born about 1827 in Lambeth, Surrey) in 1850Q4 in Clerkenwell registration district. He tended the engines at the 'works' in Plumstead, Kent. Their home in 1861 was at 78 Pattison Road, Plumstead and, by 1871 when he was widowed, at 5 Station Road there. Mrs Wright's death at the age of 42 appears to be that registered at Lewisham in 1867Q4.
- v. George, born in Bermondsey about 1828 and baptised with his sister Mary Ann in Frampton Cotterell on 26 July 1829. The handwriting of the 1851 census enumerator for his sister Elizabeth's home is difficult to read, but he was *apparently* the 23-year old George 'Ridmore' visiting there (born in Bermondsey). His occupation could be 'Assist as Hu---ers'. I have otherwise not found him in any British censuses.
- vi. Mary Ann, baptised 26 July 1829. She is perhaps the Mary Scudamore, aged 1 year, buried at Frampton Cotterell on 13 June 1830.
- vii. Mary Ann, baptised 14 August 1831.

**48. JOHN<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Daniel Skidmore [23] and Ann (Holder) (baptised 12 November 1797 at Frampton Cotterell).

Three boys called John Skidmore were born around the same time in Frampton Cotterell (all baptised *Scudamore* as was the custom in this parish at this period):

- John son of George Skidmore [20] and his wife Ann (born at Coalpit Heath and baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 9 September 1798). He became a coal miner in Trevethin and married Harriet Griffiths there in 1825. Died 1868.
- John son of Edward Skidmore [16] and Sarah (baptised 24 March 1799 at Frampton Cotterell).

He is probably the John Skidmore, a poor child aged 14, presented for an apprentice on 16 June 1813 by John Screen Tovey and Robert Turner, churchwardens [of St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell], and William Thornwell and Abraham Puggins, to learn feltmaking<sup>32</sup>. Nothing further is known of Edward [16] beyond the late 1790s and it appears he and his wife died elsewhere.

- John son of Daniel Skidmore [23] and Ann (Holder) (baptised 12 November 1797 at Frampton Cotterell).

On 27 March 1825 at Frampton Cotterell, John Scudamore *of Winterbourne* aged 26 was buried. The only other Winterbourne Skidmores using Frampton Cotterell churchyard at this time was the family of Giles [44], son of Daniel [23]. I suggest that, on present evidence, Giles' brother John is the man who married Susannah Turner in 1819. This is substantiated by the fact that John [48]'s son Luke was living in 1841 with his mother and stepfather Charles Bryant in Winterbourne.

A hatter of Winterbourne, John Skidmore married Susannah Turner on 28 June 1819 at St Michael's, Bristol. He died at Winterbourne at the age of only 26 and was buried on 27 March 1825 at Frampton Cotterell. Susannah Skidmore, a widow born about 1895 at Winterbourne, married widower Charles Bryant (born about 1800) at St Giles, Camberwell, London on 3 December 1827. A son James Bryant was baptised at Frampton Cotterell in 1829 and a son Charles Bryant in 1837 at Frenchay. Charles Bryant, a hatter, lived with his wife Susan in the St Philip's area of Bristol. He died in 1861 or 1863, Susannah Bryant in 1867 aged 74.

**Children of John and Susannah (Turner) Skidmore,**

- 86a. i. JOHN, born about 1820-21.  
87. i. LUKE, baptised 7 April 1822 at St Michael's, Winterbourne.

**49. LUKE<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised on 10 July 1803, a son of Daniel [23] and Ann (Holder) Skidmore. A hatter and feltmaker of Goose Green, Frampton Cotterell, Luke Scudamore married Ann Bryant (born about 1797) on 24 May 1824 at Frampton Cotterell, witnessed by William Gilbert and Richard Packer (?the clerk).

According to his death notice in *The Bristol Mercury* Luke *Skidmore* was 'for 17 years a pious and devoted class-leader in the Methodist Society, deeply lamented by his family and friends'. He died on 25 March 1861 aged 58 and was buried on 31 March at Frampton Cotterell. At census time that year his widow was living in Parsonage Road, Frampton Cotterell with her married children Elizabeth Ward, Mark Skidmore and William Skidmore. By 1871 she was blind from cataracts and living with the family of her son John, all called *Scudamore*. She was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 9 January 1879 aged 84, but had died at Bristol according to the parish register - indeed, the death of Ann *Scudamore* aged 84 was registered at Barton Regis.

THE FOLLOWING SONS OF LUKE [49] TOOK THE NAME SCUDAMORE<sup>33</sup>:

WILLIAM (FROM 1850s), LUKE (FROM 1880s), GEORGE (FROM 1860s) AND JOHN (FROM 1860s).

**Children of Luke and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore, born and baptised in Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 17 April 1825. A housemaid in Redcliff Street, Bristol in 1841 and to Miss Jane

<sup>32</sup> 1813 John Skidmore, a poor child aged 14, by John Screen Tovey and Robert Turner, churchwardens [of St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell], and William Thornwell and Abraham Puggins, to learn feltmaking. D.S. (X). Witnessed by William Millett, farmer of F.C. (S). Allowed by Gabriel Goldney (S), R.B. Deverall (S), J.P.'s. P/FC/OP/5/67 16 June 1813.

<sup>33</sup> No official records of name change have been found. The evidence for this comes from census entries.

Powell in Henbury in 1851. She married John Ward of Shoreditch, London (a joiner, born about 1823 in Upwell, Norfolk, son of Burton Ward, carpenter) in the Shoreditch area in 1857Q2 and was living at her mother's home in Frampton Cotterell in 1861 with her son John W. Ward aged 1. By 1871 she had rejoined her husband and was living at 28 Napier Street, Shoreditch. Elizabeth Ward died before 1879 when John Ward then married Elizabeth's sister-in-law Sarah (Collier) Skidmore, widow of Daniel [88]. Hers was perhaps the death, at the age of 49, registered at Lambeth in 1874Q2.

88. ii. DANIEL, baptised 8 April 1827.
- iii. Hannah, baptised 8 March 1829. She was visiting at the time of the 1861 census family of grocer John Champion in Frampton Cotterell. She married widower Pharaoh John Hale, a grocer (born about 1831 in Frampton Cotterell) on 25 April 1863 at Holy Trinity, Bristol and lived at their premises in Brockridge, Frampton Cotterell. Mrs Hale died in 1907Q3 aged 77, her husband in 1915Q1 aged 83.
89. iv. MARK, baptised 20 February 1831.
- v. Matilda, baptised 18 November 1832. She was buried on 6 October 1833, an infant, at St Peter's.
90. vi. EDWIN, baptised 15 February 1835.
91. vii. WILLIAM, baptised 2 July 1837.
92. viii. LUKE, baptised 10 February 1839.
93. ix. GEORGE, baptised 2 May 1841.
94. x. JOHN, born 1843Q3.

**50. EDWARD<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 28 February 1805 and baptised 7 April 1805 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Daniel [23] and Ann (Holder) Skidmore. He married Elizabeth Hibbs (born about 1813 in Frampton Cotterell) on 18 February 1828 at St Paul's, Bristol. He was a hatter of Frampton Cotterell and was living with his family at Wood End in 1841 and Goose Green in 1851. By 1861 they settled at Brockridge, where they remained until their deaths, Mrs Skidmore in 1886Q1 aged 75. Edward Skidmore died aged 78 and was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 9 April 1889.



*Woodend Road.*

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The narrow twisting Woodend Road with terraced 18th & 19th century cottages on either side constituting the hamlet of Brockridge. Similar hamlets also remain at Adam's Land & Frampton End.

*British School, Woodend Road.*

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Brockridge School was built in 1846 by non-conformists using funds from the 'British & Foreign Schools Society' to provide a basic education for 2p a week. The 1876 Education Act changed its status to a Council School, teaching pupils to age 14. Further reorganisation followed after the 1945 Education Act when it became Brockridge Infants' School with pupils transferring aged 8 to Highcroft Junior.



**Children of Edward and Elizabeth (Hibbs) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. John, baptised 17 August 1828. He was buried on 20 August 1833 aged five at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell, on the same day as his sister Hannah and two weeks before his brother William.
- ii. Eliza, baptised 11 July 1830. A servant at the time of the 1851 census in the White family home in Lower Ashley Road, Bristol. *The Bristol Mercury* of 8 August 1857 reported her marriage on 3 August at SS Philip and Jacob, Bristol to John Huish, 'jun., yeoman of Moorend' (born about 1836 in Winterbourne. According to the IGI she died on 4 May 1888 at Frampton Cotterell, though this is perhaps a burial.
- iii. William, baptised 10 July 1831. He was buried on 8 September 1833 aged two, at St Peter's.
- iv. Hannah, baptised 31 July 1832. She was buried, an infant, on 20 August 1833 aged 13 months.
- v. William, baptised 10 November 1833. He was enumerated in the 1851 census as a fur cutter aged 18, but was buried at St Peter's soon after on 31 August 1851 'aged 17'.
- 95. vi. JOHN, baptised 17 April 1835.
- 96. vii. GEORGE, baptised 20 December 1836.
- vii. Mary Ann, registered as *Skidmore* in 1838Q3 and baptised as *Scudamore* on 16 October 1838. She married Henry Eacott, a gardener (born about 1833 in Mordon, Wiltshire, son of William Eacott) on 12 November 1859 at St James', Mangotsfield. In 1861 they were living in Sharpham?, Congresbury, Somerset and, by 1881 in Amberley Street, St Philip's, Bristol. Mr Eacott's death was probably that registered at Barton Regis in 1889Q2, aged 57.

*The following children registered and baptised as Skidmore,*

- 97. viii. EDWARD, born 12 December 1839.
- 98. ix. HENRY, born 6 May 1842.
- x. Elizabeth, born 5 October 1843, baptised 7 January 1844 with her brothers Edward and Henry. She and her two younger siblings were also baptised at the same time on 18 August 1856 at the Frampton Cotterell Zion Chapel. She died in Clifton but was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 30 January 1870 aged 25.
- xi. Martha, born 1845Q3 and baptised with her brother Daniel on 18 August 1856 at the Zion Chapel. She was living at home in 1851, and by 1861 was a house servant to a family who lived close to the home of her sister Mary Ann in Congresbury, Wiltshire. In 1871, she was a cook to a household in Dursley, Gloucestershire and, again, close to her sister. At the time of the 1881 census, she was a servant of Alfred E. Bobbett, a solicitor, and his family at Westbury-on-Trym. She married on 18 June 1881 at St Paul's, Bristol widowed coal miner Samuel Dando (born about 1835 in Frampton Cotterell, son of Samuel Dando) and lived at Coalpit Heath with Josiah, a son from his previous marriage, and two further sons born to Martha and her husband. She appears to have died in 1908Q1, said to be aged 60.
- 99. xii. DANIEL, born 1847Q1.

**51. NATHAN<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 24 May 1808 and baptised on 22 June 1808 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Daniel [23] and Ann (Holder) Skidmore. He married Mary Thatcher (born 1808 at Frampton Cotterell) on 1 October 1832 at St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol. He was a hatter who lived at Frampton Cotterell - at Brockridge in 1841 and Goose Green in 1851. They were living in 1861 in Penny Lane and, from at least 1871, at Woodend. Mary Skidmore, 'labourer's wife' was buried on 14 April 1890, aged 82, and Nathan *Skidmore*, a labourer, followed on 6 February 1891, aged 84. They were buried at the Frampton Cotterell Zion Chapel and are remembered on a stone there, together with their son Reuben and Minnie Skidmore, daughter of his nephew Edward [97]; gravestones were removed in 1985 with headstones aligned at the west wall of the graveyard.

**Children of Nathan and Mary (Thatcher) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. James, born about 1832. An agricultural labourer, he married Elizabeth Daines (born in 1838 at Kenninghall, Norfolk, daughter of Robert Daines) on 16 May 1867 at St Andrew's, Clifton, Bristol. In 1871 he was innkeeper at the *London Vaults* at 8 Tower Hill, Bristol. He died there, aged 44, at Bristol on 10 February 1876, leaving a will which names his wife as executor. His widow, a schoolmistress, was living in 1881 at 20 Clark Street, Bristol with a niece Henrietta Highman. Elizabeth Skidmore was living alone, a tailor's finisher, at Brockridge Hill in Frampton Cotterell in 1901 and later with her nieces Mary Bryant and Hannah Elizabeth Bryant in Busmore Lane. Mrs Skidmore died in 1911.

*Zion United Church*

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Zion United Church is on Woodend Road and lies between Lower Chapel Lane and Upper Chapel Lane. In 1795 Thomas Humphries a colliery manager built the first Zion Chapel though used now as the church hall. Soon worshippers totalled 300 adults with 200 children so in 1873 this larger chapel replaced it. Three Methodist chapels closed in 1968 and their combined congregations moved into these larger premises. Replacement cottages were added at the rear in 1990 to provide extra accommodation.

The registers of this Chapel cover the periods C1801-1922 M1846-1930 B1876-1920.



- ii. Reuben, baptised 25 December 1833. An agricultural labourer in 1851, he was living at home, a stonecutter, in 1861. He married Emma Game (born about 1835 in West Mill) in West Mill, Hertfordshire in 1869Q4 in a civil ceremony in the Royston registration district. They lived in Westminster, London where he was a journeyman mason - in 1871 at 17 Bell Street and, by 1881, at 13 Esher Street. Following the death of his wife in 1891, Reuben Skidmore was a boarder at census time that year at Clematis Cottage, Hampton Wick, Middlesex. He retired and had returned to Frampton Cotterell where he was living in 1901 with his sister Lucy. He was buried at the Zion Chapel in Frampton Cotterell on 24 October 1905, aged 73.
- iii. Hannah, baptised 20 November 1835. She was living in 1851 with her widowed uncle Stephen Thatcher at Frampton Cotterell, no doubt to help with his young family of four children under 12. She was a house servant at the time of the 1861 census at Alpine Villa, Somerset Street, Bristol, and by 1871 was cook to a family in Camden Terrace, Clifton. She married widower Thomas James Foley, a house painter (born about 1835 in Clifton, son of Gregory Foley) on 9 April 1877 at Holy Trinity, Clifton and they were living in 1881 at 209 Hotwell Road, Clifton, with Arthur Foley aged 22, Thomas' son by his first wife Elizabeth. Mrs Foley died in 1904Q3 ?aged 70, her husband 1908Q2 aged 73.
- iv. Lucy, baptised 18 June 1838. She died at Winterbourne but was buried at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell on 29 August 1841 aged three.
- v. Lucy, born 1841Q3. She was baptised on 19 April 1852 (with her younger brother Oliver) at the Zion Chapel, Frampton Cotterell. She was living at home, a hat trimmer, in 1861 and married Isadore Bryant, a hatter born in 1843, in 1867Q1 at a civil ceremony in Bristol registration district. Their home was in Frampton Cotterell. Mr Bryant died in 1889Q1 aged 46 and his widow continued to live at Beesmoor Lane, where she made jackets for a living. He died in 1889 aged 46, she in 1910 aged 68 and were buried at the Zion Chapel, Frampton Cotterell.
- 100. vi. OLIVER, born 1846Q1.

**53. ROBERT<sup>5</sup> SCUDAMORE** of London, was probably born (despite some bizarre discrepancies in ages recorded in censuses<sup>34</sup>) about 1813 in St Giles, London. He is known from his second marriage to have been the son of William Scudamore [24], grocer, by an as yet unknown wife. He married firstly Mary Ann Roberts (who died in 1849Q4 at St George's, Southwark) on 20 June 1836 at St Pancras Old Church, London and was living in 1841 on the north side of Thrawl Street, Spitalfields.

<sup>34</sup>	Robert's age			Wife's name & age
	Age given in			
	1841	30-34	1807-11	Mary A 30-34 1807-11
	1851	32	1819	Eliz. 30 1821
	1861	48	1813	Eliz. 41 1820
	1871	37	1834	Ann 39 1832

He married secondly Elizabeth Byrne (born about 1821, daughter of Alexander Byrne, cooper) on 2 January 1851 at St Mary's, Aldermanbury. Alexander Byrne and Hannah Boutle? were witnesses. They were living at the time of their marriage with their daughter Phoebe at 2 Paul Street, Finsbury. By 1861 they had moved to Wellington Street North, Bethnal Green. Mrs Scudamore died at 37 Sewardstone Road, Bethnal Green (the family home until at least 1901) aged 47 and was buried at the Victoria Park Cemetery in Hackney on 6 May 1868.

Robert Scudamore married 3rdly Ann Hursley (born 1827 at Margretting, Chelmsford, Essex, daughter of Samuel Hursley, brewer's clerk and a widow of William Charles Oram) on 25 October 1869 at St Matthew's, Bethnal Green, witnessed by their daughter Phoebe Ann and her husband Walter Venis. He was still a lithographic printer at the time of his death at Sewardstone Road, Bethnal Green in 1879Q1 aged 65. Annie Scudamore continued to live there until at least 1901 before moving to the home of her married daughter Isabel Soar (husband Henry Soar) at 110 High Street, North Finchley, Middlesex. She died on 10 July 1911.

**Children of Robert and Mary Ann (Roberts) Scudamore,**

- i. Phoebe Ann, born 25 December 1842 at Mile End, London, baptised 5 January 1843 at St Matthew's, Bethnal Green, 'of Norfolk Street'. She married Walter Venis (born about 1826 in the City of London, son of Edmund Venis, labourer), a stationer's warehouseman, on 31 August 1861 at St James-the-Less, Bethnal Green. They lived at her parents' home at 37 Sewardstone Road, in Bethnal Green until at least 1881. Mr Venis died in 1916 in Bethnal Green, aged 84, his wife a year later aged 73.

**Children of Robert and Elizabeth (Byrne) Scudamore,**

- ii. Hannah Elizabeth, born 1851Q4 at 35 Clifton Street and baptised 14 December 1851 at St Botolph's, Bishopsgate. She died an infant in 1852.
101. iii. ROBERT, born 1853Q3.
- iv. Mary Ann, born 1855Q2. She was a servant at the time of the 1871 census - when she said her birthplace was Old Ford - to the family of nurseryman William Holmes of Hackney. She married Henry William Foster, a widower and a printer (born about 1839 in St Luke's, London), on 21 November 1880 at the Hackney Parish Church. Henry and Mary Ann, together with three children from his first marriage, were living at the time of the 1881 census (when she gave her birthplace as Bishopsgate) at 74 Lansdown Road, Hackney. They moved to Ridley Road before 1891. Mr Foster died in Hackney in 1898Q3 aged 60 and his widow and children were living in 1901 at 209 Southgate Road, Islington. Around 1906 her daughter Daisy Foster married New South Wales-born Harry Smart, who was in charge of the publicity branch of the Australian Government Office, and Mrs Foster and her daughter Grace Foster shared their home in Woodford Green.
- v. Susanna Caroline, born at 24 Wellington Street, Bethnal Green, baptised 9 June 1859 at St John's, Bethnal Green. Her godparents were S. Byrne, J.B. Byrne and C. Robertson. She married Emmanuel Bribury Carpenter, a coach painter (born about 1846 in Exeter, Devon), on 26 October 1879 at Christ Church, St Marylebone. They lived at 44 Carlisle Street in St Marylebone in 1881. Mr Carpenter died in 1891Q2 aged 45 and his widow married secondly George Clarke in 1896Q2 in Marylebone. Mrs Clarke, making a living as a laundress, was living with her children in 1901 at 50 Carlisle Street, Marylebone. Her death appears to have been that registered at St Marylebone in 1926, aged 66.

## GENERATION 6

**54. CHARLES<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 13 January 1816 at Stoke Gifford, was a son of Jeremiah [54] and Hannah (Cooper) Skidmore. He was a stonecutter living in 1851 with his wife and family 'north of Bacon Lane' in Winterbourne. He was enumerated, a stone cutter, in 1861 but was buried later in the same year on 20 October 1861 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, aged 47.

He had married Elizabeth on 29 April 1844 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol, (though their son Charles Skidmore would appear to have been born 18 months earlier). According to a transcript of the marriage online she was called Elizabeth *Iles*, daughter of Peter *Iles*, but other evidence suggests that she was born about 1823 in Winterbourne, a daughter of Peter Champion. The family of Peter and Ann Champion, including Elizabeth, is found in Winterbourne at the time of the 1841 census. It seems her father was the Peter Iles Champion, a hat maker born in Frampton Cotterell around 1785, who married Ann Clark on 2 April 1810 at St James', Bristol.

Elizabeth Skidmore lived in her widowhood on Winterbourne Street, Winterbourne, next to her father who lived into his 90s and died in 1878. Joseph Sargent, an agricultural labourer born about 1815 in Taunton, Somerset, was a lodger with the family for many years. The death of Elizabeth Skidmore appears to have been registered at Barton Regis in 1898Q4, said to be 77.

### **Children of Charles and Elizabeth (Champion) Skidmore,**

- i. Charles, born 1842Q4. He was baptised 29 March 1850, aged eight years, at St Michael's, Winterbourne. He was a stone cutter in 1861, and was living in 1871 with his grandfather Peter *Champion*. He remained unmarried and lived with his mother on Winterbourne Street. He died at Watley's End and was buried on 30 March 1901, aged 60, at St Michael's.
- ii. William, born 1844Q4, baptised 29 March 1850 aged six. A stone cutter, he married Eliza Winstone in 1870Q3, and they were enumerated in 1871 at Winterbourne. By the time of the 1881 census they had moved to live at Winterbourne Down with her father Thomas Winstone. She was a tailoress, but William Skidmore then had no occupation (perhaps in poor health). He was buried at All Saints' in Winterbourne Down on 21 January 1888, said to be aged 42. An inquest was held at Frenchay and reported in the Bristol Mercury of 18 January 1888. William Skidmore, 39, a stone cutter, met his death by falling into a quarry. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death at the same time recommending that a fence should be placed around the quarry. His widow Eliza married John Maggs (1851-1890) at Bristol later in 1888. She was living in 1891 at Winterbourne Down, already the widow of Maggs, together with her stepdaughter Julia Maggs aged 15
- iii. Sarah Ann, born 1846Q4, baptised Sarah on 29 March 1850 aged four. She was living at home in 1871 where she was enumerated as a 'servant out of a situation'. She married John William Hawkins, a stone mason (born about 1846 in Winterbourne) in 1878Q4 in Bristol and they lived in Watley's End, Winterbourne. The death of a John Hawkins aged 49 was registered at Barton Regis in 1895Q3 and Sarah Ann was living, widowed and a trouser machinist, at Watleys End in 1901 with her son George Hawkins 18, daughter Olive B. Hawkins 15 and granddaughter Hannah Sarah Skidmore.

### **Sarah Ann had a daughter,**

- i. Emma, one of three girls registered as Emma Skidmore at Clifton, one in 1873Q2 and two in 1874Q2. She appears to be the Emma Skidmore (whose father's name is not stated in the marriage register) who married William Albert Lane, a quarryman of Watley's End (born about 1875, son of Morgan Lane, a farm bailiff) on 19 March 1899 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. Walter Charles Mayo and Rosina Mayo were witnesses. She is perhaps the Emma Lane whose death at the age of 27 was registered at Barton Regis in 1901Q4.

### **Emma Skidmore had a daughter,**

- i. Hannah Sarah, born 17 July 1894 at Watley's End and baptised at St Michael's on 6 December of that year.
- iv. George, born 1849Q1, and baptised 29 March 1850. At the time of the 1871 census, he was a labourer, lodging at 6 Lime Stone Row, Ebbw Vale, Monmouthshire (along with two other Winterbourne men, William Tiley 19 and Charles Gifford 17), perhaps taking advantage of the then thriving ironworks, which was later in the 1870s to experience severe financial difficulties. I have so far not found this man in the censuses of 1881 and 1901, nor a marriage, though he appears to be the George Skidmore from Winterbourne, railway labourer married to Olive (born in Stoke on Trent about 1840) and running in 1891 a lodging house for other railway labourers in Bridgend Road, Maesteg, Glamorgan.
- v. Emma, born 1851Q2 and baptised on 4 September 1853 (age two years). I have not been able to find Emma in censuses after 1861.
- vi. Sidney, born 1853Q3 and baptised on 4 September 1853 (together with his sister Emma). An agricultural labourer, he was living unmarried with his mother in 1891, and was buried at St Michael's on 4 July 1897 aged 42. He is perhaps the Sidney Skidmore who volunteered on 9 October 1878 at Old Sodbury for the Gloucester Militia, though this man gave his age as 20 years 3 months.
- vii. Mary Ann, born 1856Q3, baptised Mary on 27 October 1856. She married Henry Derrick, a 'tasele man' (born 1855 at Stoke Gifford, son of John Derrick), on 25 March 1876 at St Jude's, Bristol. Their home was next to that of her mother in Winterbourne Street. Mr Derrick died in 1884Q1 aged 31 and Mary Ann supported her children as a tailoress. She appears to have married secondly Ambrose Giles Sprackman, a labourer in a market garden (called Thomas in censuses, born about 1842 in Little Sodbury) in 1897Q4 in Bristol. They continued to live in Winterbourne Street with her son Nathan Derrick, a stone mason.
- viii. Rosina, born 1858Q4 (registered Rositia), baptised on 12 December 1858. She married John Henry Shipton (Harry), an agricultural labourer (born about 1855 in Stoke Gifford, son of Thomas Michael Shipton) on 3 June 1876 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. They raised a large family in Bacon Lane, Winterbourne. Mrs Shipton died in 1939 aged 81.
- ix. Tom, baptised Tom on 21 March 1862. He was buried at St Michael's on 30 March 1862 aged five weeks.

**55. GEORGE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born about 1837 in Winterbourne, was a son of George [27] and Mary Ann (Maggs) Skidmore. He was an agricultural labourer at Winterbourne and, by the time of his marriage, a fur cutter. He was married on 2 March 1856 at St Jude's, Bristol to Sophia Maggs (born about 1836 in Winterbourne, baptised 3 January 1845 at Winterbourne, daughter of George Maggs, a hatter, and Ann, a stay stitcher of Watley's End). Edward Baber and Sarah Skidmore were witnesses.

Around 1860 he moved to Westgate Street, Gloucester, where he was a fur cutter. However, this seems to have been short-lived since they reported to the enumerator in 1871, when they were living in Watley's End, Winterbourne, that all their children were born in Winterbourne. Mr Skidmore returned to being a labourer on the land in the mid-1860s, while his wife was a tailoress.

Sophia Skidmore, for a reason as yet unknown, was a prisoner at the time of the 1881 census in Bristol Gaol. George and the children were living in a cottage at Quarry Barton, Winterbourne at this time. He was buried at St Michael's, Winterbourne, on 14 December 1890 'aged 54 of Winterbourne Down'. His widow Sophia Skidmore and her two youngest sons were there in 1891 and again in 1901.

**Children of George and Sophia (Maggs) Skidmore, born at Winterbourne, baptised at St Michael's,**

- i. Henry (Harry), baptised 30 November 1856. He was buried there on 14 August 1864, aged eight years.
- ii. George, baptised 17 March 1859. He was buried three days later, aged six weeks, at St Michael's.
- iii. James, born around August 1860 and baptised 9 September 1860. He died at the age of 2 and was buried at Winterbourne on 30 November 1862.
- 104. iv. FREDERICK, born 1863Q1 and baptised Fred.
- 105. v. CHARLES, born 1865Q4.
- 106. vi. ALBERT, born 1868Q2.
- vii. Harriet, registered 1870Q3 but baptised 14 January 1870. She was buried at St Michael's on 23

- July 1882 aged 12.
107. viii. EDWIN, born 1876Q2,  
 ix. Frank, born 1880Q1, baptised 12 March 1880 at All Saints, Winterbourne Down. Unmarried in 1901, a carter on a farm, living in his mother's home on The Street, Winterbourne. Not yet discovered in the British census of 1911.

**56. HENRY<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of George [27] and Mary Ann (Maggs) Skidmore, was born 1841Q3, baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne with his brother John on 31 March 1844 at the age of two. He appears to have married Mary Maggs on 27 March 1864 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. She was said at the time of her marriage to be the daughter of Edward Maggs and aged 20; she would appear to be the daughter of *Edmund Maggs*, an agricultural labourer of Winterbourne Street, and his wife Ann, baptised at St Michael's on 19 April 1844.

Henry Skidmore, a plasterer and painter, lived with his family in Winterbourne Street. He died, said to be aged 62, in 1905 and was buried on 18 March at Winterbourne. Mary Skidmore died aged 62 and was buried 11 March 1911.

**Children of Henry and Mary (Maggs) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne, birth registrations (where found) at Clifton, baptisms at St Michael's, Winterbourne,**

109. i. HARRY, baptised 13 August 1865 at All Saints, Winterbourne Down.  
 ii. Elizabeth Ann, born 1867Q3, baptised 14 July 1867. A servant to a family in Mangotsfield in 1881. She became a tailoress, along with her sisters and she and most of her siblings lived in Dragon Road, Winterbourne. She married (on the same day as her older brother Harry married) Alfred Jones, a quarryman (born about 1862 in Winterbourne, son of John Jones, labourer) on 23 July 1888 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, and they lived at Dragon Road, Winterbourne.  
 iii. Ann, born 1869Q1, baptised 14 March 1869. A tailoress, Annie Skidmore married Charles Adams, a stonecutter (born about 1869, son of James William Adams, a stonecutter) on 17 February 1890 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. Louisa Adams and H. Skidmore were witnesses. They lived in Dragon Road, Winterbourne.  
 iv. Eliza, born 1872Q1, baptised 11 February 1872. A sewing machinist, she married Albert Edward Andrews, a stone mason (born about 1872, son of John Andrews, publican) on 19 November 1892 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. Henry and Emma, presumably her brother and sister, were the witnesses. They lived at Winterbourne Hill.  
 v. Emma, baptised 14 June 1874<sup>35</sup>. Emma Skidmore, born about 1874 in Winterbourne, married Tom Biggs, a haulier of Winterbourne Down (born about 1874 there, son of George Biggs, a coal miner and his wife Sarah Ann) on 21 February 1897 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. She was living with her husband and children at Winterbourne Down until at least 1911, where she was a sewing machinist making trousers.  
 vi. George, baptised 9 December 1877. A walling mason, he lodged for a time with the family of his sister Annie Adams and later Florrie Pullin in Dragon Road. He enlisted at Bristol in December 1915 and served with the Royal Engineers during the Great War. He died aged 53 at Winterbourne and was buried at St Michael's on 3 October 1930.  
 vii. Harriet, born 25 November 1879, baptised 8 February 1880, registered at Barton Regis. She married Charles Edward Lloyd, a stonecutter of Coalpit Heath (born about 1879, son of John Lloyd, a haulier) on 21 June 1902 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. George Maggs and Florence Skidmore were witnesses. Mr Lloyd died in 1905Q4 aged only 27 and his widow married secondly in 1907Q3 Edward Bisp.  
 viii. Florrie, born 3 July 1884 (registered Barton Regis), baptised 8 February 1885. Florrie Skidmore married Arthur Pullin, a stonemason (born about 1876, son of George Pullin, quarryman) on 26 December 1906 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, witnessed by Charles Adams and Harriet Lloyd. They lived in Dragon Road, Winterbourne.

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<sup>35</sup> One of three girls registered as Emma Skidmore at Clifton, one in 1873Q2 and two in 1874Q2. The girls born in 1874 were both baptised at Winterbourne on the same day - one the daughter of Henry [56], the other the daughter of Edward [97] (who does not appear in censuses). Two of these three are found in the census of 1891. The Emma Skidmore - who married William Albert Lane, a quarryman of Watley's End (born about 1875, son of Morgan Lane, a farm bailiff) on 19 March 1899 at St Michael's, Winterbourne - is thought to be the daughter of Sarah Ann Skidmore of Watley's End.

**57. JOHN<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1844Q1 and baptised on 31 March 1844 at Winterbourne, was a son of George [27] and Mary Ann (Maggs) Skidmore. He was an agricultural labourer in 1861 and married Elizabeth Merrick on 25 December 1867 at St John the Baptist, Frenchay. She was born in 1849Q1, daughter of Ann Merrick and was raised as his niece by Edward Rodway. John and Elizabeth Skidmore lived at Quarry Barton, Hambrook in 1871, Winterbourne in 1873, Flaxpits in 1879, Winterbourne Street in 1881, Watley's End in 1891 and, by 1901 in Swan Lane, Winterbourne.

Mrs Skidmore was buried on 7 February 1907 at Winterbourne, aged 58, her husband on 30 November 1925 aged 81 years.

**Children of John and Elizabeth (Merrick) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne, baptisms at St Michael's,**

- i. Thomas, born 1868Q4. An agricultural labourer, he died aged 25 and was buried at Winterbourne on 21 January 1894.
110. ii. GEORGE, born 1871Q1.
- iii. Frank, baptised 9 February 1873 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. He died aged 15 months and was buried on 26 April 1874 at Winterbourne.
- iv. Rose, born 1875Q1, baptised 14 February 1875. She was a kitchen maid at the vicarage in Wargrave, Berkshire, at the time of the 1891 census. She married widower John Edward Bignell, a labourer (born about 1870 in Purton, son of William Bignell, labourer) on 28 October 1895 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. Her brother George and his future wife Lillie Mary Tanner were the witnesses. They had moved to 39 Union Street, Bridgwater, Somerset by 1901, where Mr Bignell was a brickyard labourer. They were in Abertillery in 1903 before returning with their children to live at Winterbourne, where Mr Bignell was a coal miner below ground in 1911.
- v. Annie, born 1877Q1, baptised 11 March 1877. She married Joseph Nichols of Blainau, Abertillery, a coal miner (born about 1880, son of Thomas Nichols, collier) on 29 May 1901 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. John Skidmore and Rose Bignell were witnesses.
- vi. Frank, born 5 November 1879, baptised 14 December 1879 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. He appears to be the stone quarryman (who said he was born in Bristol about 1880) living at the time of the 1901 census near Philanthropie, Risca, Monmouthshire. He is presumably the colliery sinker, boarding in Fortias Street, Newbridge, Monmouthshire in 1911 and the man who died aged 47 in Merthyr Tydfil registration district in 1927.
112. vii. JOHN, born 11 February 1882.
- vii. Elizabeth, born 10 October (baptised 14 December) 1884. She married Charles Henry Rodman, a stone mason of Winterbourne (born about 1824, son of Henry Rodman, quarryman) on 26 December 1907 at St Michael's, witnessed by Aaron Cordy and Victoria Skidmore. By the time of the 1911 census they were living at 32 Hanbury Street, Glan Nant, Pengam, Glamorganshire.
- viii. Victoria May, born 7 May (baptised 26 June) 1887. She married widower Richard Probert, a collier of Abertillery, South Wales (born about 1876 in Blaenavon, Monmouthshire, son of Walter Probert, an ironworker) on 25 December 1909 at St Michael's. The witnesses were Frank Skidmore and Clara Bignell. They were living in 1911 at 30 Gaen Street, Blaenau, Abertillery.

**58. JAMES<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, farm labourer of Winterbourne, was born 1846Q2 and baptised 19 July 1846 at Winterbourne, a son of George [27] and Mary Ann (Maggs) Skidmore. He married Anne Barnes (born about 1849, a daughter of George Barnes, quarryman), on 5 November 1871 at St Michael's. James Jones and Sarah Turner were witnesses.

They lived until at least 1901 on Winterbourne Street. Mrs Skidmore died aged 56 and was buried at St Michael's on 2 May 1906 and her husband went to live with his daughter Constance Flook in Blaenavon. He died at 43 Phillip Street, Blaenavon in 1913 and was buried on 6 November, aged 64.

**Children of James and Ann (Barnes) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne, baptised at St Michael's,**

- i. Emma, born perhaps in 1873Q2, baptised 8 June 1873. She married Edwin Woodruff, a miner's labourer of Brockridge (born 1873Q2 in Frampton Cotterell, son of James Woodruff, a coal miner, and his wife Mary Jane) on 18 April 1896 at St Saviour, Coalpit Heath. They were living in 1901 with their son Alfred E. J. Woodruff at Frampton End, Frampton Cotterell. Emma Woodruff died in 1906Q1 aged 32 and her husband and son remained at this address at least until 1911.
- ii. John, baptised 10 October 1875. He died an infant and was buried at Winterbourne on 27 May 1877.

- iii. Ellen, baptised 10 February 1878. She died aged 2 years and was buried at Winterbourne on 15 August 1880.
- iv. Jack, born 15 May (baptised 28 November) 1880. He died aged 1 and was buried at St Michael's on 19 February 1882.
- v. Constance, born 22 August (baptised 13 November) 1881. She married Frank Flook, a baker of Blaenavon (born about 1882, son of John Flook, collier) on 26 December 1906 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, witnessed by Charlie Rodman and Elizabeth Skidmore. Her cousin Florrie Skidmore, daughter of Henry [56] was married on the same day. Mr Flook was a baker in his home town, where they were living at 25 Woodland Street with their children and with Constance's father in 1911.

**59. WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, whose birth registration has yet to be found, was baptised on 10 June 1849 at Winterbourne, a son of George [27] and Mary Ann (Maggs) Skidmore. He went soon after 1871 to Tidenham, Gloucestershire where he married firstly Emma (1850-1888), a daughter of Edward Shaw of that place in 1874Q3 in the registration district of Chepstow, Monmouthshire (which included Tidenham, Gloucestershire). In 1881, when they were living on Ledbury Lane in Tidenham, he was a farm servant (aged 30 born at Winterbourne).

He married secondly Mrs Elizabeth Kingdon (who was born in 1846 at Woolaston, Gloucestershire) in 1890Q4, again in the Chepstow district. His former mother-in-law Elizabeth Shaw (who was born about 1817 at Goodrich, Herefordshire) was living with them in 1891 at Annards in Tidenham, where he and his son Frederick were shepherds. He died at Woodcroft, Tidenham on 19 January 1902 aged 52.

**Children of William and Emma (Shaw) Skidmore, born in Woodcroft, Tidenham,**

- i. William Frederick, born 1875Q3. Frederick was a shepherd in Tidenham and by 1911 was working on Penrhiw Farm, Blackwood, Monmouthshire, called *Scudamore*.
  - ii. George Shaw, born 1878Q1. A farm labourer at Pen-y-Coed Castle, Llanmartin, Monmouthshire, just over the border from Tidenham. He died in 1955 aged 77.
113. iii. EDWARD, born around February 1881.
- iv. Elizabeth Shaw, born 1886Q2 and called Bessie in censuses.

**59c. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> SCUDAMORE** of Hereford, son of William [29a] and Elizabeth (Clarke) Scudamore, is known from later censuses to have been born at Bilston, Staffordshire. He was baptised at St Leonard's, Bilston, as Thomas Skidmore, son of William Skidmore, hatter, and his wife Sarah, on 5 October 1815.

A plasterer, he married firstly at Holmer, Herefordshire on 8 August 1839 Martha Godwin (born about 1816 at St Owen's, Hereford, daughter of Henry and Martha (Jones)). They lived at Above Eign, Hereford, where Martha Scudamore died following a fall downstairs in which her neck was broken, resulting in total paralysis. She died a week later on 2 August 1856.

Thomas Scudamore married secondly, at Breinton, Herefordshire on 5 January 1858, Ann Mary Grove (born 1823 in Mickleton, Gloucestershire, baptised there 3 April 1825, daughter of Edward Grove, labourer, and his wife Hannah). They lived at Harley Court, East Street, Hereford. Mr Scudamore acquired the Vine Inn in Blue School Street, Hereford and in 1863 and 1867 he was prosecuted for keeping the inn open out of hours. In late 1866 a case of bankruptcy was filed against him.

He had given up this inn by 1881 when he and wife were living at Belvedere Cottage in Barton Road. He died in 1889 aged 73 and Mrs Scudamore remained at Belvedere Cottage, a laundress, retiring before 1901 to one of the Trinity Hospital almshouses in Commercial Street. Mary Scudamore died in 1911Q2 aged 87.

**Children of Thomas and Ann Mary (Grove) Scudamore,**

- i. Alice, baptised at Ross-on-Wye 24 April 1859. She married George Gill (born about 1854 in Warwick) on 24 March 1884 at St Nicholas', Hereford and they lived soon after in Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, where Mr Gill was a coal merchant. They moved some time during the 1890s to Bath Row, Birmingham.  
Children, as known - Richard George, Ida Mary [died between 1901-1911], Thomas Scudamore Gill.
- ii. William (a twin), born 1860, who died in infancy the same year.
- iii. Harriet (a twin), born 1860, who died in infancy the same year.

- iv. Ellen, born 1863, who died in infancy in the same year.

**59d. RICHARD GEORGE<sup>6</sup> SCUDAMORE**, (often known as George) of Hereford and later Hexham, Northumberland. He was born 11 March 1834 in Ross and baptised 20 April 1834 at St Mary's there, the second surviving son of William [29a] and Elizabeth (Clarke) Scudamore.

By the time of the 1851 census was a butcher's apprentice but by the age of 27 had become a master plasterer employing one man and one boy. The Hereford Journal reported the marriage, on 4 December 1855 at St Nicholas', Hereford, of Miss Ann Davies of Breinton (born 1835 at Breinton, Herefordshire, daughter of William Davies, a farmer) to Richard George Scudamore plasterer of this city, second son of William Scudamore, hatter of Ross. Their first two children were born at Breinton but by the time of the 1861 census they were living at 60 Widemarsh Street, Hereford.

George Scudamore was declared bankrupt in 1861<sup>36</sup>.

'George Scudamore of Castle Hill, in the parish of ST John Baptist, in the city of hereford, Plasterer, having been adjudged Bankrupt in the County Court of herefordshire, hoden at hereford on the 28th day of December 1864, is hereby required to surrender himself to John James Reynolds, Esq a registrar of the County court of Herefordshire, holden at Hereford at the first meeting of creditors to be held on the 11th day of january 1865 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon precisely, at the County Court office Hereford. Mr T W Garrold is the Solicitor acting in the bankruptcy.

At the meeting the registrar will receive the proofs of the debts of the creditors and the creditors may choose an assignee or assignees of the bankrupts estate and effects.

All persons having in their possession any of the effects of the said bankrupt must deliver them to the registrar; and all debts due to the bankrupt must be paid to the Registrar. F H Lewis, High bailiff.'

He moved with his family probably shortly after 1863 to Corbridge, Northumberland and was, by the time of the 1871 census living in Watling Street there, where he employed 6 men and a boy in his plastering business. They moved from Corbridge in the late 1870s to Hexham. He is described in Kelly's Directory of 1879 as a plasterer, cement merchant, concrete stone flooring and chimney piece manufacturer of Back Street, Hexham.

At the time of the 1881 census Mr Scudamore and his family occupied the Masons Arms in Market Street but by 1891 (in which census he described himself as a plasterer and farmer) he was living with his wife and youngest daughter at High Lane House, Hexham and by 1901 in the village of Blanchland.

Ann Scudamore died aged 71 at Inglewood, Cadnant Park, Conway, Caernarvonshire (the home of their daughter Caroline) in 1906 and was buried at Conway on 5 October. Her husband was at the time of the census of 1911 living alone in a small cottage at the rear of Tyne View Terrace, Fellside, Hexham. The death of a Richard N. or Richard M. Scudamore (the index typescript is indecipherable), who was aged 83, was registered at West Derby (Liverpool) in 1917 - perhaps Richard George.

**Children of Richard George and Ann (Davies) Scudamore,**

- i. Leah, born 1857. Miss Scudamore was governess to the children of the Bell family in Rhuddlan, Flintshire and later became a teacher of juniors in Hexham and lived in Alexandra Terrace there. She was unmarried and died in 1914.
- 115c. ii. ALFRED EDWARD, born 1858Q4.
- iii. Caroline, born at Ross in 1863Q3. She married Griffith Roberts Evans (born 1852 in Pwllheli) in 1895Q3 in a civil ceremony at Conway, Caernarvonshire. He was licensee of the Liverpool Arms Tavern at 1 Lowergate Street, Conway. He died on 30 March 1908. More checking of original documents is needed but Caroline Evans appears to have married James Craven early in 1909; Caroline Craven died later that year. Her daughters were living at the time of the 1911 census with their aunt Maria Elizabeth Holt in Alnwick, Northumberland.

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<sup>36</sup> Hereford Times, Saturday December 31 1864, p1.

- Children, as known - Edwyna Brenda Victoria, Cora Lyllian and also twins born in 1896 who died at 7 months old.
- iv. Emily Kate, born at Hexham on 26 October 1865, baptised 5 May 1868 at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Hexham. An artificial flower maker, she married Samuel McBride, a sheet metal worker (born about 1868 in Ireland) at a civil ceremony in West Derby, Liverpool in 1897Q4. They lived at 13 Ruben Street, Everton and, by 1911, 23 Chelsea Road, Litherland, Liverpool.  
Children, as known - Edith Kate, James A. (died young), Samuel.
  - v. Maria Elizabeth, born at Corbridge on 12 December 1867 and baptised Elizabeth at the same time as her sister Emily Kate. She married Ralph Amos Holt (born about 1866 in Denton, Northumberland) in 1901Q2 in the Gateshead area. He was a registrar of births and deaths, and Relieving Officer, at Alnwick, where they lived at Ashleigh, Swansfield Park Road.  
A son Eric Aidan Holt 1904-1973 (perhaps with others).
  - 115d. vi. PERCIVAL GEORGE, born 1870Q2.
  - vii. Bertha Ann, born 1872Q4 at Corbridge. She married in 1900Q2 at St Andrew's, Burnley, Lancashire, Percy Crabtree (born about 1873 in Burnley), who ran a cotton manufacturing business. They were living in 1901 at 43 Hibson Road, Nelson, Lancashire and, by 1911 at The Cottage, Thornton in Craven, Skipton, Yorkshire.
  - viii. Mary Louisa, born 1874Q4 at Corbridge. She was a pupil at a school in North Meols, Lancashire - the town where her sister Leah was a governess. She married Joseph Branch Clark (born 1873 in St Lawrence, York) in 1904Q4 in the Newcastle area. They were living by 1911 in the Channel Islands, at Oxenhope, Elm Grove, St Peter Port, Guernsey, where Mr Clark worked in a chemist shop.  
Children, as known - Frank, Jessie.
  - ix. Norah Helen, born 29 November 1878 at Hexham. She married Matthew Clark (12 June 1876-9 July 1954) in 1903Q1 in Alnwick, Northumberland. She died on 29 July 1964 in Perth, Western Australia, aged 85, and is buried at Karrakatta Cemetery and Crematorium.

**60. ROBERT HARRY<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1860Q2 in Cheltenham, was a son of Robert Tanner [31] and Mary (Plaisted) Skidmore. He was a plasterer by trade and married, as Robert Henry Skidmore, Susannah Stallard in 1882Q3 in Cheltenham. She was born in 1856Q3 in Hatherley, near Cheltenham and was living at the age of 4 with her aunt and uncle George and Susan Adams in the village of Cowley. She later became housemaid to a retired Colonel in the village of Prestbury.

Mr and Mrs Skidmore were living in 1891 at 30 Glenfall Street but moved by 1901, when he was called a builder, to Vernon House, Vernon Place, Bath Road. She died at Cheltenham in 1913Q4 aged 57, survived by her husband who died there in 1947 aged 87.

**Children of Robert Harry and Susannah (Stallard) Skidmore, born in Cheltenham,**

- i. Rose, born 1883Q1. Rose Violet Skidmore married John Trevor Clarke in Cheltenham on 25 June 1907 at All Saints', Cheltenham and was living in 1911 at 49 Castleland Street, Barry, Glamorganshire.
- 115a. ii. **HARRY REGINALD<sup>7</sup>**, born 1887Q1. He was a confectioner by 1911, living with his sister Rose. He married in 1918 and had a son.
- iii. Daisy, born 1889Q2. She married in 1919.
- iv. Sydney George, born 1891Q2. He married in 1916 in Gloucester. He served with the Gloucestershire Regiment and also the Devonshire Regiment in WW1, being discharged on medical grounds in October 1917. Mr Skidmore died on 27 December 1961.
- 115b. v. **RAYMOND WILLIAM<sup>7</sup>**, born 1893Q3. He was a butcher at the time he enlisted at Cheltenham on 2 September 1914. He served for the duration of the war, spending three years in Salonica with the Kings Shropshire Light Infantry.  
He married in Cheltenham in 1920 and died in 1955 aged 62.

**61. ARTHUR WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born January 1863 in Charlton Kings, was a son of Robert Tanner [31] and Mary (Plaisted) Skidmore. A plasterer and a decorator, Arthur Skidmore married Jane Hemmings, a dressmaker (born February 1862 in Cheltenham) in 1880Q3. They were living in 1881 at 3 Prospect Terrace, Cheltenham - she is called Sylvia in this British census. They emigrated in 1896 to Boston, Massachusetts, where he was a contract builder and decorator, living at 24 Lansdowne Street.

**A child of Arthur William and Jane (Hemmings) Skidmore (as known),**

- i. Emily Violet, born September 1880, registered in the December quarter of that year. A saleswoman in a dry goods store in Boston in 1900.
116. ii. FRANCIS CHARLES<sup>7</sup>, born May 1885. He emigrated with his parents in 1896 and was living by 1900 at 24 Landsdown, Ward 17, Boston, Massachusetts. He was a worker in a leather factory at the time of the 1910 census. He married and lived with his wife and 3 sons in Boston.
- iii. [probably] Kate Constance, registered at Cheltenham in the same quarter as Francis Charles. The 1900 US census shows that a further child had died.

**62. GEORGE CHARLES THOMAS<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1865Q2 in Charlton Kings, was a son of Robert Tanner [31] and Mary (Plaisted) Skidmore. He was porter for a fish shop in 1881, and later a plasterer. George Skidmore perhaps married Annie Earengay (born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, daughter of James Earengay, a foreman to a click bootmaker, and his wife Emma) in 1896Q2 and they were living in 1901 at 9 Beaufort Buildings, Cheltenham. A house painter by 1911, he lived then at 3 Queens Terrace, off Albion Street with his wife, a dressmaker who ran her business from their home. He died at Cheltenham in 1924 aged 59.

**A child,**

- i. Rose, born about 1888 in Cheltenham.

**63. WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1833 at Blackwood, Monmouthshire, was a son of John [32] and Harriet (Griffiths) Skidmore. A coal miner, he married Eunice Sarah Brain (born Fleur de Lis, Mynyddylwyn about 1836) in 1855Q3 in the Newport registration district. She was a daughter of mineral contractor Aaron Brain from Bristol and his wife Elizabeth, a shopkeeper assisted by Eunice and her elder sister Louisa. The family moved from Bristol to Mynyddylwyn around 1835. Eunice's mother returned in her widowhood to Bristol, where she was a fire brick manufacturer.

William and Eunice Skidmore began their married life in Mynyddylwyn, Monmouthshire, moving in the later 1860s to Thomas Castle House, Victoria Row, Blaenavon, Monmouthshire. In 1881 they were at Pen y Bont, Aberystroth, Monmouthshire, where William was a colliery fireman. William and his daughter Alice were living at 72 Tylery Street, Abertillery in 1891, his wife with her widowed sister Louisa S. Castle in Clouds Hill Road, Bristol. (Daughter Martha not yet found in this census).

His death in 1898Q4 at the age of 65 was registered at Merthyr Tydfil, after which his widow lived with her daughter Alice and son-in-law George King. Eunice Skidmore died in 1910Q3 aged 73.

**Children of William and Eunice Sarah (Brain) Skidmore, born at Blaenavon, Monmouthshire,**

- i. Martha Sophia, born 1856Q3 at Fleur de Lis. A dressmaker in 1881, living with her parents, but so far not found later.
117. ii. WILLIAM EDWARD, born 1862Q4.
- iii. Frederick John, born 1865Q2, died 1883Q3.
- iv. Berkley Brain, born 1867Q4, died aged 2 and was buried at Blaenavon on 11 February 1870.
- v. Harriet Dory, born 1870Q3. A draper's assistant in Neath, Glamorganshire, in 1891. She married John Francis Jones, a coal tipper with his own account (born about 1869 in Abertillery) in 1893Q1 in the Bedwellty registration district and they were living by 1901 at 18 Clarence Terrace, Aberdare, Glamorganshire.
- vi. Alice Amelia, born 1873Q1. She married George King, a coal miner (born about 1871 in Monmouthshire) in 1891Q3 and was living in 1901 in Powell Street, Abertillery. Mrs King's death at the age of 75 appears to be that registered at Bedwellty in 1945.

**64. JOSEPH<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, was born in 1837Q3 at Bitton and baptised on 20 August 1837 at St Anne's, Oldland, the son of Thomas [34] and Ann (Maggs) Skidmore. A hatter, he married Sarah Sweet on 28 May 1855 at St Simon, Bristol. She was born about 1837 at White Hall in the St George district of Bristol, daughter of Samuel Sweet, a labourer, and his wife Hester.

Joseph and Sarah Skidmore were living at 4 Lead House Lane in St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol in 1861, 1871 and in 1874 (Electoral Register). They were still there in 1881 close to his parents. Joseph Skidmore, 'a silk hatter,' ran his business from 1 Whitehall Road, St George from at least 1891. He died in 1906Q1, said to be aged 67. His wife died in 1910Q1 aged 73.

**Children of Joseph and Sarah (Sweet) Skidmore,**

- i. Elizabeth, born in St George, Bristol in either 1855Q3 or 1855Q4 (see also Elizabeth daughter of Thomas [66]), baptised 23 December at SS Philip & Jacob. A weaver, she married Samuel Stone, a factory engine driver, on 4 June 1876 at SS Philip & Jacob. He was born in 1855 at Bitton and appears to have been the son of William Stone, engine driver, and his wife Mary of Chalk Lane, St George. They were living in 1881 at 2 Whitehall Road in St George, and in 1891 at 30 Sherbourne Street, St George. The 1890s saw them begin a new venture after moving to 229 Church Road. Mr Stone was still a stationary engine driver (perhaps at the same firm as his son Samuel Albert, an engine fitter), but they also kept a confectionery and general shop, with his wife acting as baker.
- ii. Albert, born about 1860 at Bristol. His birth registration has not been found. He died in 1869Q3 aged 9.
118. iii. JOSEPH SAMUEL, born 1862Q2.

**65. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE** was born on 3 October 1841 at Westerleigh, the son of Thomas [34] and Ann (Maggs) Skidmore. He emigrated to America in 1862 settling at Canandaigua, Ontario County, New York, where he first engaged in the hat and cap business with Frederick Maggs (born 1824 in England and his mother's younger brother). In 1869 he went into the boot and shoe business, with a store at 204 Main Street with a frontage of 18 feet by 75 ft deep. The top floor he used for repairing and custom work and, according to George S. Conover's 1893 *History of Ontario County*, he carried 'a very complete stock of boots, shoes, rubbers, slippers, etc'. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, Lodge No. 294, and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

He married Mary A. Halligan (born 1842 in Ireland) of Canandaigua in 1865. She died on 29 September 1898 at Buffalo, Erie County, New York.

**Children of Thomas and Mary A (Halligan) Skidmore, born in New York,**

- i. Anna A., born 1866. She married William Abbott Howe of South Weymouth, Norfolk County, Massachusetts. They are said to have been 'sweethearts at Buffalo in 1890, but were separated by intervening relatives'. They met again by accident at the St Louis Fair in 1904, their romance was rekindled, and they were married on 22 August 1905 at Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois. She was living, his widow, at 709 Walnut Street, Bloomington in 1930.
- ii. Thomas, born 26 June 1869. He was educated at the Canandaigua Academy under Prof. J.C. Norris, from which he graduated in 1890. The same year he entered Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, where he studied until 1891, returning home to assist his father in his store. He remained with him until 15 November 1892, then established a wholesale and retail furniture business, with a three-storey store on Main Street, Canandaigua. According to Conover, in 1893 he carried 'a complete stock of everything necessary to furnish a house, from kitchen to drawing-room' and was a member of Merrill Hose Co. He served as administrator of his mother at Buffalo in 1898 and was living, a bachelor, at Buffalo in 1900 with Mary Wilson, a cousin. By 1920 he was a piano salesman, living at 512 Jefferson Avenue, Bloomington.
- iii. Frederick, born 1873, a clerk in his father's store.
- iv. Mary L., born 1878. She died on 3 July 1878, aged six months, according to the Ontario County Times.

**65a. ALFRED<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised as *Scudamore* on 7 June 1846 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of William [35] and Mary Ann (Wilcox) Skidmore. He married Charlotte Erby in Goulburn, New South Wales in 1869 and died on 10 December 1916.

**Children of Alfred and Charlotte (Erby) Skidmore, born in New South Wales,**

- i. Charlotte Louisa, born 1871.
- ii. Louisa C., born 1872.
- iii. Edgar Ernest, born 1876.
- iv. Sarah Martha A., born 1880.
- v. Thomas Alfred G., born 1880.

**65b. WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised with his brother Tom in February 1853 at St Saviour's, Goulburn, was a son of William [35] and Mary Ann (Wilcox) Skidmore. He married Catherine Dawson in 1877.

**Children of William and Catherine (Dawson) Skidmore, born in New South Wales,**

- i. Martha Ann, born 1879.

- ii. Elizabeth Mary, born 1880. She appears to have married Edgar H. Plummer in 1900 at Annandale, New South Wales.
- iii. Andrew W. H., born 1883.
- iv. Christina May, born 1886.
- v. George S., born 1889.
- vi. Ernest S., born 1895.
- vii. Emily S., born 1899.

**66. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 28 March 1830 at Winterbourne as 'a son of William and Elizabeth Skidmore, of Winterbourne, a shoemaker'. He moved with his father William [36] into the town of Bristol, perhaps around 1850. He married Cecilia Tyler (baptised 1 December 1833 at St George, Bristol, daughter of John Tyler, a labourer, and his wife Dinah) in the Pontypool area of Monmouthshire in 1853Q2. They were living in 1861 on Wright's Place in St George, and in 1871 at 6 Thomas Street where he was a shoemaker (and his wife a shoe binder). Oddly in 1881 he was a quarryman, again living in Thomas Street but by 1891 Thomas Skidmore, a boot riveter, was living with his wife and his married daughter Elizabeth Johnson at 7 Wilson Place in St Paul's, Bristol. Mrs Skidmore died in 1899 (said to be aged 63) and was buried at St George's on 26 February. Thereafter her husband lived with his unmarried daughter Eliza Ann, working from their home (19 Dove Lane in 1901, 9 York Street in 1911). Mr Skidmore died in 1916Q4 aged 87.

**Children of Thomas and Celia (Tyler) Skidmore, (mostly born St George),**

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 14 October 1855 at SS Philip & Jacob. She was born in St George, Bristol in either 1855Q3 or 1855Q4 (see also Elizabeth daughter of Joseph [64]). A cotton spinner, she married Frederick John Johnson, a blacksmith (born in 1857Q1 in Woolwich, Kent, son of John Johnson) on 11 March 1877 at St Simon's, Bristol. They were living with their children at 17 Hemmings Parade in Bristol in 1881 though by the time of the 1891 census Mrs Johnson was living with her parents, a laundress in business with her mother. Her husband and children appear to have moved to Wolverhampton.
- 119. ii. CHARLES, born 1859Q2.
- iii. William Thomas, baptised 30 June 1861 at St Mark's, Easton. He was buried at St George's on 7 July of that year.
- iv. Thomas Albert, baptised 21 February 1864. He became a labourer at the Blue Works in Bristol.
- v. Celia, born 1866Q2 in Bedminster and baptised on 28 May 1871 at SS Philip & Jacob. A scholar in 1871. She was a household servant to the family of a wool broker at East Molesey, Surrey, in 1891. She married Thomas Williams (born about 1862 in Mountain Ash, son of Thomas Williams) on 5 May 1894 at SS Philip & Jacob. They were living by 1901 at 49, Phillip Street, Llanwonno, Mountain Ash, Glamorganshire, where Mr Williams was a colliery fireman underground.
- vi. Sarah Ann, born about 1872. A domestic servant in Thomas Street, St George, in 1891. She married William Jordan (born 1872, son of William Jordan), a railway carter, on 26 December 1897 at SS Philip & Jacob and lived at 21 Wilson Street, Bristol in 1901, with Gertrude Jordan 8, presumably a child of Mr Jordan's by a previous marriage, and William aged 5 months. They were living by 1911 with their six children at 24 Thomas Street. The death of Sarah A. Jordan aged 82 was registered at Bristol in 1955.
- vii. Eliza Ann, baptised 17 January 1875 at SS Philip & Jacob. Miss Skidmore died at the age of 43 in 1918.

**67. CHARLES<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE** was born about 1835 at Winterbourne, a son of William [36] and Betsy (Cooper) Skidmore. He married Mary Ann Bird, a milliner, (born in 1840 at St George, daughter of Isaac Bird, grocer and baker, and his wife Ann) on 2 December 1860 at St Paul's, Bristol. They were living in 1871 at 29 Redfield Road, St George, where he kept a shop selling boots and shoes. He is listed in Kelly's Commercial Directory of Bristol for 1889, a boot maker at 10 Redfield Road, St George and as a boot and shoe maker of Victoria Buildings. He was living with his family in 1891 at 13 Victoria Place, St George but by 1901 he had purchased 221 Church Road, Redfield, where he died (testate) on 14 September 1912. His son Walter received his house and shop tools. Mrs Skidmore died in Bristol in 1926 aged 86.

**Children of Charles and Mary Ann (Bird) Skidmore, born and baptised at St George, Bristol,**

- 120. i. GEORGE HENRY, born 1861Q3.
- ii. Alice Louisa, baptised 24 May 1863 at St George, Bristol. She was a boot machinist in 1871, and

married Caleb Frederick Mitchell (born 1862Q4 in St Phillip's, Bristol, son of Thomas Mitchell, master gas fitter, and his wife Eliza) in 1886Q2. He ran a plumbing business and they lived with their children at Lulworth Villa on Fishponds Road. Mrs Mitchell died in 1918 aged 55, her husband in 1944 aged 81.

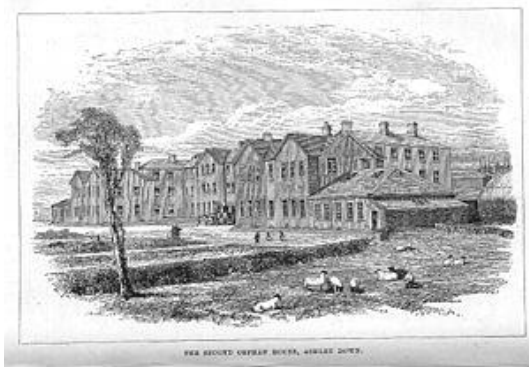
- iii. Laura, born 1865Q1, registered Laura, baptised 2 April of that year. She was with her maternal grandparents at Rose Green, St George at the time of the 1881 census. She married Ernest Edward Stone in 1891Q4, and by 1901 was living his widow, together with her son Bertie at 111 Church Road, Redfield, where she ran her own dressmaking business. Mrs Stone died in 1927 aged 63.
- iv. Florence, born 1866Q3, baptised 29 July. At home in 1891, a boot machinist. She married Frederick Merry, an upholsterer and furniture dealer (born 1864Q4 in Norwich, apparently son of Charles Merry, a baker of Heigham, and his wife Hannah), on 13 November 1887 at Holy Trinity, Bristol. Their business was run from their home at 255 Church Road, Redfield and later at 54 Vicarage Road, Easton. Mrs Merry died in 1941 aged 75.
- v. Annie, born 1868Q2 (twin), baptised 17 May. She was a boot machinist in 1891 but a dressmaker by 1901. She appears to be the lady who married Richard Jefferies, a blacksmith (born 1877Q1 in Bristol, son of Abraham Jefferies, iron moulder, and his wife Sarah) in 1903Q3 in Bristol.
- vi. Emily, born 1868Q2 (twin). At home in 1891, an assistant dressmaker. She married James Marsh, a wood sawyer (born about 1862 at Bristol) in 1909Q3 and they were living by 1911 at 21 Leonard Road, Redfield, Bristol.
- vii. Walter, born 1869Q4. At home in 1891, an assistant shoemaker and later a boot shop assistant. He was named as executor (with his mother) of his father's will.
- viii. Eliza Jane, born 1874Q3. A scholar as late as 1891. A dressmaker, she was living in 1912.
- ix. Lily, born 1876Q3. She died aged 5 and was buried at Wesley, Redfield on 7 May 1882.
- x. Bertha, born 1878Q4. A draper's assistant, she married Herbert Alfred Batten, a commercial traveller in the 'oil and colour trade' (born about 1880 in Bristol) in 1904Q3 and they were living in 1911 at 10 Milton Park, Redfield with their son Horace Skidmore Batten aged 3.
- xi. Edith Marian, born 1881Q3. A school teacher, she married in 1906Q2 Sidney Herbert H. J. Watts, a commercial traveller (born about 1880 in Bristol). They were living in 1911 at 126 Hewitt Avenue, Wood Green, London, with their son Kenneth (born in Manchester). Miss Maud Skidmore, a costumier (born about 1876 in Bristol) was boarding with them.
- xii. Lillian Beatrice, born 1883Q4. A scholar in 1891, and a cigar maker in 1901.
- xiii. & xiv. Two further children, one stillborn and one did not survive into adulthood.

**68. JOSEPH<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born about 1847, was a son of William [36] and Betsy (Cooper) Skidmore. He appears to be the man who married Mary Blanche Legg (born about 1851 in St George, Bristol, daughter of Charles Legg) on 7 August 1870 at St Mary's, Bitton, Gloucestershire. Mrs Blanche *Legg* [sic] was living at the time of the 1871 census at the home of her parents Charles, coal haulier, and Martha Legg at Causeway, Fishponds, Bristol, together with a son Arthur Henry Skidmore aged 3 months.

Joseph Skidmore's death has yet to be found but in 1876Q4 Mary Blanch Skidmore married secondly Albert James Leonard, the widower of her husband's sister Elizabeth (Skidmore). Mary Blanch Leonard died early in 1881 and at census time that year Mr Leonard and his stepson Henry Skidmore were living at 7 Queen Street, St George. He died in 1888Q3 aged 48 and by the time of the 1891 census his son Albert Leonard was a shoemaker lodging in St George, his son Ernest Leonard was a shoemaker apprenticed to his uncle William Skidmore, his daughter Blanch Louisa Leonard was in an orphanage and son Alfred John Leonard a general servant to a builder in Queen Street.

**Children of Joseph and Mary Blanche (Legg) Skidmore, baptised at St Michael's, Two Mile Hill,**

121. i. ARTHUR HENRY, born 1871Q1.
- ii. Agnes, born 1872Q3 and baptised 28 March 1877, daughter of Joseph and Blanche Skidmore. After her mother's death in 1881 and before census time that year she was living in the second New Orphan House in Ashley Down, more commonly known as the Muller Homes.



*The Second Müller Home, Ashley Down.*  
Wikipedia.

By 1891 she was in domestic service in Clifton, Bristol and was living in 1901 with her widowed aunt Mrs Eliza Watts, née Bailey, widow of William Day Watts, a solicitor. Not yet found in 1911.

**70. JOHN<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE** married Margaret Morgan (born 1833 at Pontypool, Monmouthshire, daughter of David Morgan) on 21 September 1858 at Trevethin Parish Church. He said that he was 24 years old, a fireman born in Winterbourne and a son of collier Joseph Skidmore. A witness to the marriage was John Powell. Judging by his age and birthplace John Skidmore was *perhaps* the son of Joseph [39], said on the IGI to have been born 24 March 1835 and baptised on 19 July at Westerleigh. It should be noted that Joseph [39] was not known to have been a collier before he emigrated in about 1857 and I might have identified John [70] as his son in error.

John Skidmore was a forge labourer in 1861 (and still reported to be aged 24 in the census that year), living in Back Street, Trevethin with his wife and son Thomas. They had moved by 1865 in Bristol, where he was said to be a *tailor* in the census of 1871 [perhaps an error?] living at 3 Owen Street, St George, Bristol. Margaret Skidmore died at Bristol aged 44 and was buried at the Wesley [?Chapel], Redfield on 11 December 1881.

In 1901 Mr Skidmore was said to be aged 65, a labourer in a galvanizing works, and was then living with his son Henry at 29 Beam Street. He appears to be the John Skidmore whose death was registered at Bristol in 1910Q3 aged 75.

**Children of John and Margaret (Morgan) Skidmore,**

- i. Thomas, born 1859Q3 at Pontypool and baptised in Bristol with his brother Henry. He died in the Union Workhouse in Pontypool and was buried at Trevethin on 31 December 1898, aged 39.
- 121a. ii. GEORGE HENRY, born 1865Q3 at St Philip's, Bristol.
- iii. William, born 1870Q1 at St Philip's. He died at the age of 14 and was buried at Wesley, Redfield on 22 March 1885.

**71. GEORGE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born at Ashleworth, Gloucestershire and baptised there on 8 January 1837, a son of Moses [40] and Ann (Brown) Skidmore. He married Emma Seysell (born 12 February 1838 at Chaxhill/Westbury-on-Severn, Gloucestershire, daughter of William Saysell, an agricultural labourer, and his wife Maria (Daw)) on 29 July 1860 at Hempsted, Gloucestershire. They were living in 1861, with an infant son Arthur, aged five months, in the household of his parents and then set up home near to his widowed mother in Moreton Street, Barton St Mary, where they remained until at least 1901. This area was sometimes called the South Hamlet, and was in that part of Barton St Mary parish formerly called Barton St Michael. Nearby streets were in the parish of Barton St Mary.

He was a dock labourer on the nearby River Severn and was described in the census of 1881 as a corn porter. He died at Gloucester in 1902Q3, his wife a little later that year, both aged 65.

**Children of George and Emma (Seysell) Skidmore, born at Tredworth,**

- 122. i. ARTHUR, 1860Q4.
- ii. Emma, born 1863Q1. She was servant to the family of Joseph Hudson, innkeeper in Westgate Street, Gloucester in 1881. She married Charles Nicholls, a dock labourer (born about 1856 in Gloucester, son of John Nicholls, labourer) on 19 March 1882 at St James', Gloucester. Their home was in Clare Street, Gloucester.  
Children, as known - Harry, Albert, Mary A., Charles, Tom, Clara, Edith, Fred, Alice, Winnie.
- 123. iii. FREDERICK GEORGE, born 1865Q4.
- 124. iv. WILLIAM, born 1869Q2.
- 125. v. ALFRED HENRY, born 1874Q4.

- vi. James Ernest, born 1877Q3. He married Mary Taylor (born about 1876 in Haresfield, Gloucestershire) on 1 May 1897 at St Paul's, Gloucester. He was a foreman at the Gloucester Wagon Works and was living with his wife at 43 Adelaide Street in 1911. He enlisted at Shire Hall, Gloucester on 3 September 1914 with the Worcestershire Regiment. He moved to France in July 1915 and, after receiving a gunshot wound in the right leg, was shipped home in August 1916. He transferred to the Labour Corps for the rest of the war.  
No offspring known.
- vii. Clara Jane, born 1881Q2. She married James Davis, a bricklayer, (born about 1879 at Severn Stoke, Worcestershire, son of William Davis, a labourer) on 21 October 1899 at St Paul's, Gloucester. They were living in 1901 at 20 Milbourne Street, Gloucester. Jim Davis later became a carter for Gloucester Corporation and their home was at 48 Adelaide Street.

**72. ALFRED HENRY<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1856Q2 at Hempsted, was a son of Moses [40] and Ann (Brown) Skidmore. He married Jane Young (born about 1856, the daughter of William Young, a corn porter), on 28 August 1876 at St Mary-de-Lode, Gloucester. They were living in 1881 at 13 Moreton Street, Barton St Mary, Gloucester, where he was a wood sawyer. The family moved towards the end of the 1880s to live in Newington, London and are found at 6 Portland Terrace in 1891 and at 6 Sandford Row in 1901.

Jane Skidmore died in 1901Q1 aged 44 and Mr Skidmore married secondly Ann Caroline Edwards in 1902Q2 in Southwark. She died the following year aged 38 and by the time of the 1911 census he was living at 19 Date Street, Walworth with his sons Harold and Frederick. His death was perhaps that registered at Southwark in 1913, aged 56.

**The children of Alfred Henry and Jane (Young) Skidmore,**

- 126. i. ALFRED HENRY, born 1877Q4 in Tredworth.
- ii. Ada Jane, born 1879Q2. She died in 1880Q2.
- iii. William Timothy, born 1881Q2 in Tredworth. An engineer's labourer. Not found in the 1911 census.
- 127. iv. SIDNEY ERNEST, born 1883Q2.
- v. Harold Arthur, born 1889Q3 in Walworth. A market porter in 1911, unmarried.
- vi. Herbert Frederick, born 7 March 1891 in Newington. He was a fireman and driver for the Great Western railway, retiring in March 1956<sup>37</sup>. Mr Skidmore married Grace Edith Prince on 30 November 1919 at St Stephen's, Walworth. He died in 1971 aged 80. No children known.
- 128. vii. **FREDERICK GEORGE<sup>7</sup>** was born in 1893Q2 in Newington, London. He enlisted on 5 April 1914 in London with the 6th Battalion of the City of London Rifles. He was then living at 59a Crampton Street, Newington (?)Butts and said he was cyclist working for Charles Knight and Co. He went to France in March 1915 and, following a gunshot wound received in September that year, returned to Woodside Hospital, Glasgow. He was discharged in July 1916 on medical grounds and remained in Glasgow until at least 1920.  
He married in Dumfriesshire in 1931 and had issue. He died on 24 February 1966 in Girvan, Ayrshire, Scotland, aged 73.
- viii. Horace Arthur, born 1895Q2 in Newington. A shop assistant, he was living in Peckham in 1911 with the family of his brother Alfred. He enlisted on 14 September 1914 at Greenwich with the Royal Inniskillen Fusiliers. He received a gunshot wound to his right foot, in action at Gallipoli in August 1915 and was shipped home a month later. He saw further action in 1916 in the Balkans (where he was again wounded), Salonica and Malta, and in 1917 in Egypt.  
He appears to have married in 1923. He is perhaps the Horace A. Skidmore who died on the Isle of Wight in 1968 aged 72.
- ix. Beatrice Charlotte, born 1901Q1. She married in 1925.

**73. EDWIN<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1848Q3, was a son of Caleb [41] and Ann (Lee) Skidmore. It would appear he was baptised twice - firstly on 13 August 1848 at St Nicholas, Gloucester and again on 7 July 1872 at the same church. He married Amelia Savage of Sharpness Point in the tything of Hinton (born about 1849, daughter of Edwin Savage, a canal worker, and his wife Sarah) on 18 September 1870 at Westbury-on-Severn. He was

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<sup>37</sup> UK, Railway Employment Records, 1833-1956.

described in the census of 1871, when they were living in St Mary's Square, South Hamlet, Gloucester as an 'engine driver 'steam ?boat''.

They moved around 1875 to the village of Hinton, Berkeley, Gloucestershire and by 1891 were living at 13 Newtown Street, where he was described in the census as an engine driver of a steam winch. Mr Skidmore continued to work as a stevedore's labourer at Gloucester docks until at least 1911. He and his wife were then living at The Fields, Newtown. He died in 1924 aged 76.

**Children of Edwin and Amelia (Savage) Skidmore,**

- 129. i. ALBERT EDWIN, born 1872Q4.
- 130. ii. FREDERICK VALENTINE, born 1874Q3
- 131. iii. EPHRAIM, born 1876Q3.
- 132. iv. CALEB, born 1882Q1.

**74. CALEB<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, was a son of Caleb [41] and Ann (Lee) Skidmore, born 1864Q3 in the city of Gloucester. He appears to have been raised by his elder brother Edwin and became a baker in Berkeley. He married Mary Ann Dunn (born 1858 in Clifton, Bristol, daughter of Richard Dunn) on 9 April 1890 at St Mary Redcliffe, Bristol.

They were living in Maryleport Street, Berkeley in 1891 but moved to Severn View Parade, Newtown, Sharpness. Mr Skidmore died in 1926 aged 61.

**A daughter of Caleb and Mary Ann (Dunn) Skidmore,**

- i. Edith Lille, born 1895Q3 in Berkeley.
- ii. Annie Elizabeth, born 1900Q1 in Sharpness.
- iii. A third child who did not survive.

**75. HENRY<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 10 July 1814 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Giles [44] and Diana (Jennings) Skidmore. I have not yet been able to find him in the census of 1841. By 1851, he was a general labourer living at 14 Salisbury Crescent, Agar Town<sup>38</sup>, St Pancras, London and stating that he was born at Bristol. I have so far been unable to find his marriage to Ann \_\_\_\_\_ (born 1824 at Stoke upon Trent, Staffordshire), which, given her age, presumably took place in the 1840s. They had moved to 30 Edmund Street, Camden Town, St Pancras, by 1861, and were at 4 Coopers Buildings, Riley Street in 1871 (where he is enumerated as *John* Skidmore, a labourer, aged 56), and at 2 Drapers Place, St Pancras, by 1881. They were living in 1891 at 76 Copenhagen Street, Islington, with their sons Aaron, George and Thomas still at home. He died at the age of 77 and was buried at Islington Cemetery on 18 February 1892. His wife died in 1896 aged 73 and was buried on 12 March.

**Children of Henry and Ann Skidmore, all born St Pancras, baptisms at St Pancras Old Church,**

*Birth registrations have not yet been found for Emma, James and Daniel and Thomas.*

- i. Henry, born 30 March, baptised 22 May 1850. *The Times* of 24 February 1875 reported that Henry Skidmore, 25, labourer, was indicted for stealing a silver watch £3 value, the property of Wm Ryan from his person. 'Mr Tucker coach painter, Riley St Cromer St, St Pancras deposed that shortly after midnight of 13th inst he was standing at his door smoking when he saw prisoner whom he well knew, standing in front of him take something that glittered in the lamplight from waistcoat pocket of the latter who was drunk so as to be nearly unconscious of what was occurring. Witness charged him with the theft, caught hold of him, he slipped the watch into Mr Tucker's hand. Witness took prosecutor and watch to the police station. Prisoner taken into custody next morning, said he was very drunk. Jury found him guilty and expressed high appreciation of way Mr Tucker acted and had given evidence. Sentenced prisoner (who had a good

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<sup>38</sup> Agar Town (also known as Ague Town, Hagar Town, Agar-Town and Agar-town) was a short-lived area of St Pancras in central London. It was named after William Agar, a wealthy lawyer who lived at Elm Lodge, a villa in large grounds near to the Regent's Canal roughly where Barker Drive is now. Agar Town consisted of low-quality housing for poor people, built of the lowest quality materials on 21 year leases, and was generally considered a slum. The neighbourhood was started in 1841 with Agar's widow leasing out small plots on the north side of the canal. Ownership passed to the Church Commissioners, who sold it to the Midland Railway. The company demolished most of the housing to make way for warehouses supplying St Pancras railway station from 1866.

The name of Agar Town is commemorated by Agar Grove, a road that runs along the edge of where Agar Town used to be, and which was originally called St Paul's Road. Wikipedia.

character up to Christmas last year) to six months imprisonment and ordered Mr Tucker to receive £1 from the court in addition to costs'.

Henry married Matilda Kennedy (born in St Pancras or Holborn about 1853, daughter of John Kennedy, stoker) in 1876. They were living in 1881 at 16 Aberfeldy Street, Bromley, London and in 1891 at 48 Twyford Street, Islington. He died in 1892Q2 aged 42, and his widow remarried Edward Seaman Kitchener Wade, a railway engine driver of 142 York Street (son of George Wade, master mariner), on 11 February 1899 at St Andrew's, Islington. Witnesses were Ellen Ann Kennedy and F. Kennedy Wade.

- ii. Emma, born about 1852. She married Charles William Cain on 21 December 1875 in Tower Hamlets. Mr Cain's death at the age of 24 appears to be that registered in the City of London in 1878Q3.
- 133. iii. JAMES, born about 1854.
- iv. Daniel, born 10 July (baptised 31 July) 1857. Not found in 1861.
- v. Ann, born 1860Q2. She married William Shepherd, a carman, on 13 September 1881 at St John the Evangelist, Islington. They lived in Francis Street, Islington and, by 1901, at Enfield Road, Hackney.
- vi. Aaron, born 1863Q1. He was a bottle warehouseman in Clerkenwell in 1901. He died in 1937 aged 72.
- 134. vii. WILLIAM GEORGE, born 1869Q2.
- viii. Thomas, born about 1873. He was a general labourer in 1891 at St Pancras, and died there aged only 19 and shortly after the death of his father. He was buried at Islington Cemetery on 21 April 1892.

**76. GILES<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 21 November 1824, was a son of Giles [44] and Diana (Jennings) Skidmore. He was a brickmaker (at home) in 1841. By 1851 he was living at Oldbury on Severn, Gloucestershire, with Mrs Mary Lewis (born about 1817 in Thornbury, wife or widow of Thomas Lewis, agricultural labourer of Oldbury, called the wife of Giles Scudmore in this census), also her son Thomas Lewis aged 7 and 7-month old Elizabeth Scudamore.

In the census of 1861 Giles Skidmore, a brick and tile maker, and Mary Lewis (called a widow and a separate head of household in the same house) were still living in Oldbury, with three children called Lewis - Mark Lewis aged 21, an assistant sailor on a casting sloop (a son by her husband Thomas Lewis), Henry Lewis 7 and William Lewis 3, perhaps children by Giles Skidmore. By 1871 Henry Lewis, an agricultural labourer, was living with his older brother Thomas in Oldbury, and he later became mate to his brother on Thomas' barge *Lily*. He is perhaps the Henry Lewis found at the time of the 1891 census with his wife Cath living at 5 Rocks Place, Swansea. Henry's younger brother William Lewis was also originally an agricultural labourer in Oldbury, apparently the man who later married Clara \_\_\_\_ and became a coal miner at Yate, Gloucestershire (this last needs further checking).

Mary Lewis' death is perhaps that registered at Thornbury in 1863Q1. Giles Skidmore died in 1865Q1.

**Probable children of Giles Skidmore and Mary Lewis,**

- i. Elizabeth, registered as *Lewis* in 1850Q3, called Elizabeth Scudmore in the 1851 census. She *perhaps* died in 1852, her death registered as Elizabeth Lewis.
- ii. Henry, born 1853Q2, birth registered as and later known as *Lewis*.
- iii. William, born 1858Q1, birth registered as and later known as *Lewis*.

**77. DANIEL CHARLES<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Daniel [45] and Ann (Hale) Skidmore, was born on 11 May 1826 in Bermondsey and baptised Daniel on 3 September at St Mary Magdalene there. An envelope manufacturer, he married Jane Elizabeth Lockwood on 25 December 1851 at St Matthew's, Bethnal Green. Witnesses were Frances Hale Skidmore, his sister and Charles Lockwood. His wife was born at Blackfriars Road, London, daughter of Charles, tailor or hatter, and Jane (?Vincent) Lockwood, perhaps baptised 7 October 1827 at St Saviour, Southwark. Daniel was described as a stationer in the 1861 census, when he was living at 2 Plummers Court, Eagle Street, Bloomsbury. Charles and Jane Lockwood, Jane's parents, shared their home at this time and Mr Lockwood, after the death of his wife, continued to live with his daughter after her second marriage.

Daniel Skidmore died in 1863Q1 and his widow married secondly Charles Brooks Rose, a jeweller of Waterloo Road (born about 1832 in Chesham, Buckinghamshire, son of Richard Rose, baker) on 9 June 1867 at St John the

Evangelist, Islington, witnessed by Charles Lockwood and Susannah Smith. Charles Rose was a mason's labourer at the time of the 1871 census, when they were still living at 2 Plummers Court. With Charles and Jane Rose were her father, her Skidmore children and a daughter Jenny Rose (born about 1868 in Bloomsbury). Charles Rose died in 1874Q3 aged 42 and in 1881 Jane Rose, a needlewoman, was living with her children at 16 Victoria Road, Islington. She is perhaps the widow Jane E. Rose living in 1891 with the family of her cousin Samuel R. Austin, a pawnbroker, in Gloucester Street, Norwood, London.

**Children of Daniel Charles and Jane Elizabeth (Lockwood) Skidmore, born in London and baptised at Holy Trinity, Kingsway, Holborn,**

135. i. DANIEL CHARLES, born 1853Q3.
- ii. Elizabeth Jane, born 1855Q2 in Cripplegate, baptised 21 February 1858. She witnessed her brother Daniel's wedding in 1877. At the time of the 1881 census she was an unemployed needlewoman living with her mother. She married John George Hodgson of 33 New Kent Road, a printer's labourer (born about 1859 in Peckham, son of Thomas Rowland Hodgson, foreman) on 1 April 1888 at St John's, Walworth. The witnesses were George Bailey and Fanny Bailey. The Hodgsons lived at first in Dragon Road, Walworth, moving in the early 1890s to Peckham. Their deaths appear to be those registered at Camberwell, she in 1927 aged 71, her husband in 1936 aged 76.
136. iii. JAMES JOHN, born 1857Q3 in Bloomsbury.
- iv. Annie Charlotte, born 1860Q4. She married (giving her father's name as Charles Skidmore, a bookbinder deceased) James Webb, a porter of 5 York Road (born about 1854 in Hackney, son of Ebenezer Webb, carpenter and his wife Sarah) on 27 August 1882 at St John the Evangelist, Islington. The marriage was witnessed by Daniel Charles Skidmore and Jane Skidmore. She is *perhaps* one of the two ladies called Annie Charlotte Webb who married in 1889Q2, one in Islington, one in Camberwell.

**78. JAMES<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, vellum binder of St Mary le Strand, London, appears to be the son of Daniel [45] and Ann (Hale) Skidmore. This family poses conundrums since their ages and names are not consistent in censuses - the following is my interpretation of the facts, which may require modification in the light of further details, particularly those obtained from actual registers and/or certificates.

James' age in the censuses of 1841 and 1851 is consistent with that of the date of birth - 17 November 1830 - given at his baptism on 26 December 1830 at St Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey and the age he gave at the time of his marriage. However, he reported his age as 36 in 1861, though his birth place of Bermondsey would suggest he was the son of Daniel [45].

He appears to have had two children in 1848 and 1851 by \_\_\_\_\_ Amos, who were eventually baptised as Skidmore. I have been unable so far to find these two girls and their mother in the census of 1851.

James Skidmore, a 22-year old vellum binder of 40 Brandon Street, married Mary Ann Elizabeth Tether of 17 Eltham Street (born about 1826 in Southwark, daughter of William Tether, a coal porter) at St Peter's, Walworth in 1853Q3. James and Mary Ann Skidmore were living in 1860 in Drury Lane (the birth certificate of daughter Sarah describes him as a station master of Drury Lane) and at census time in 1861 at 6 Wych Street, the Strand, London (he was then described as an account book manufacturer employing one lad).

The couple separated and his wife appears to be the Mary Skidmore found at the time of the 1871 census, a book sewer (married, not widowed), living with the following children at 6 Duke Street, at St Giles' in Finsbury - Elizabeth [presumably Emily] 20, Jane [presumably Frances Ann] 17, James 15, Annie 11 and Walter 7. She is presumably the Mary Ann Skidmore whose death was registered at Strand in 1877Q1 aged 52. In 1881 Emily, James, Annie and Walter Skidmore were living at 6 Windsor Court, St Mary le Strand.

James Skidmore the elder married Priscilla Hart in 1893Q2 in Whitechapel. However, they were living as man and wife from at least the time of the 1881 census and probably throughout the 1870s. The children registered as *Hart* during the 1870s are probably by James Skidmore who was not free to marry Priscilla Hart at that time. In 1881, James Skidmore, a stationery binder (who said in this census and that of 1891 that he was born around 1834 in Bermondsey) and Priscilla (born in Smithfield, City of London about 1847, daughter of Barnett Hart, clothier, and his wife Catherine) were living in Little Alie Street, Whitechapel. James Skidmore died in

Whitechapel registration district in 1899Q4 aged 65 and his widow was a 'hawker of goods' with her own account. She died in 1911Q3 aged 64.

**Children of James Skidmore and Mary Ann Amos,**

- i. Mary Ann Jane *Amos*, born 6 September 1848 in Southwark and registered there with the surname *Amos*. She was baptised *Skidmore* on 3 November 1861 with her sisters Frances and Emily at St Clement Danes. The death of Mary Ann Jane Skidmore was registered at Strand in 1865Q3.
- ii. Emily Skidmore *Amos* (registered at Newington with the surname *Amos*), born 18 January 1851 in Walworth. An envelope black borderer in 1881. She is perhaps the Emily Skidmore whose death at the age of 40 was registered at Strand in 1893Q1.

**Supposed children of James and Mary Ann Elizabeth (Tether) Skidmore,**

- iii. Frances Ann (registered with the surname *Skidmore*), born 22 November 1853 in Walworth. She married Edward Stephen Wright, a solicitor's clerk (born about 1850 in Strand) in Holborn registration district in 1878Q4 and they were living by 1881 at 7 Prebend Street South, Islington. They are found with their two daughters in 1891 at 44 Springdale Road, Stoke Newington and in 1901 in Cavendish Road, Hornsey, Middlesex. They had moved with their daughter Elizabeth by 1911 to Finsbury Park.
137. iv. JAMES DANIEL, born 1856Q1
- v. Henry William, born 1858Q4 in St Clements district. He died in 1861Q3.
- vi. Annie Sarah or Anna Sarah, born 8 April 1860 in Drury Lane. A vellum sewer in 1881. She married George Jones, an electrotype finisher (born about 1855 in Bermondsey), in 1886Q4 and they were living in 1891 at 37 Packington Street, Islington.
- vii. Walter Edward, born in 1864Q3 in the Strand/ St Clements area. He lived for a time in the home of his married brother James and was a gas fitter's labourer, living in 1901 at 90 Munton Road, Newington, with his wife Frances (born 1864/65 in the Strand). He married Frances Davis in 1900Q4 in Strand registration district and became a warehouseman for a gas mantle maker. He died on 7 January 1935 at 11 Paragon Row, Rodney Road, Walworth.

**Children of Priscilla Hart, probably by James Skidmore, born in Whitechapel and all called Skidmore,**

- viii. Kate, registered Katie *Hart* in 1871Q4. Like her sister Emma, an apprentice cigar maker in 1891. With her sisters Emma and Florence, called *Skidmore* in 1881 and 1891. She appears to be the lady, a domestic servant, living in 1901 with her son Reginald Skidmore (born about 1897 in Birmingham) at 160 Lower Kennington Lane, Lambeth.

**A son,**

- i. Reginald, born about 1897 in Birmingham.
- ix. Emma, registered *Hart* in 1874Q1. Emma Skidmore, daughter of James Skidmore book binder, married Edmund Bailey, an electrical engineer (born 5 December 1867 in Surrey, son of Edmund, a tile cutter, and Matilda (Days) Bailey) on 25 March 1894 at St Mark's, Shoreditch. Both bride and groom lived in Gee Street and the witnesses were James Skidmore and Kate Skidmore. Mr Bailey died on 2 April 1915 at 12 Bartle Avenue, East Ham. My thanks to Ted Bailey's great-nephew Ken Bailey for this information.
- x. Florence, registered as *Hart* in 1877Q1. Florence Skidmore married Joseph Statham, a 'fruiterer's manager' (born about 1876 in Acton, London) in 1899Q2 in Shoreditch registration district and they were living at the time of the 1901 census at 139 Spa Road, Bermondsey.
- xi. Priscilla Julia, registered as *Skidmore* in 1885Q4.

**79. JAMES<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 21 June 1818 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of William [46] and Leah (Drew) Skidmore. He married Elizabeth Adams (born 1826 in St Philip's, Bristol, daughter of John Adams and his wife Elizabeth) on 21 January 1849 at St Paul's, Bristol and had moved by 1851 to Little Ann Street at St Philip and St Jacob Out, Bristol, together with Elizabeth's mother.

(Living nearby in 1851 on Little Ann Street was a Mary Skidmore aged 74, born about 1777 at Iron Acton, who has not been identified.).

They had moved by 1861 to the St James and St Paul Out district of Bristol, where he was a cabinet maker. His wife ran a grocer's shop - their address described in 1861 as a 'cottage adjoining Jubilee Row - and, by 1871 at

76 Botany Bay. He appears in the Electoral Register at this address in 1874 and they remained there until at least 1881. His wife died on 21 January 1893 aged 67, and is buried in Greenbank Cemetery at Bristol.

James Skidmore, a widower and son of William Skidmore, married Miss Elizabeth Humphries (daughter of James Humphries) at St Mark's, Easton on 26 February 1895. He died on 6 April 1895, aged 76, at Providence House, Hinton Street, Lower Easton, Gloucestershire. He left a will, naming as his executors Samuel Enoch Curtis, hardware dealer and Thomas Williams, commercial traveller. They seem to have had no surviving children.

**A child of James and Elizabeth (Adams) Skidmore,**

- i. George James, baptised 13 October 1850 at SS Philip & Jacob, aged six months on census night 31 March 1851. The Bristol Mercury reported the death of this young man, on 7 February 1866 at Jubilee Place, Ashley Road, aged 15, 'only son of Mr James Skidmore'. He was buried at Baptist Mills, Bristol on 11 February.

**81. EBENEZER<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 23 November 1823 at Frampton Cotterell, the son of William [46] and Leah (Drew) Skidmore. An agricultural labourer in Frampton Cotterell, he married Sophia Russell (born 1829 at Coalpit Heath in Frampton Cotterell, a daughter of George Russell, agricultural labourer, and his wife Ann, of Brockridge) on 23 March 1851 in a civil ceremony registered at Bristol. A week later, at census time, they were living in Twinnell Street, St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol, and lodging with them were Ebenezer's brothers Eli, Henry and Luke Skidmore.

He died at the age of only 33 and was buried at Holy Trinity, Bristol on 24 May 1857. His widow Sophia, a seamstress, continued to live in Twinnell Street, from 1881 with her married daughter Elizabeth. Sophia Skidmore died in 1902Q1 aged 72.

**Children of Ebenezer and Sophia (Russell) Skidmore, born St Philip's, Bristol,**

- i. Elizabeth, born 1852Q2 at Bristol. She married firstly George Purnell, a boiler maker (born about 1842 in Bristol, son of William Purnell), on 25 December 1878 at St Peter's, Clifton Wood and was living at her mother's home in 1881. Mr Purnell died in 1885Q2 aged 43 and she married secondly James Bizley (1847-1888), a widower and a master wheelwright, in 1887Q1. After Mr Bizley's death she and her mother lived at 87 Goodhind Street and raised six children of his first marriage and their son Frederick Bizley. She later moved to 28 Greville Road, Bedminster and died in 1929 aged 77.
138. ii. SAMUEL, born 1853Q4.
139. iii. ALFRED, born 1855Q1.

**82. GEORGE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, a coal miner born about 1825 in Frampton Cotterell, was living with his wife and son William in Spring Vale, Llanfrechfa, Monmouthshire in 1851. He appears to be the son of William [46] and Leah (Drew) Skidmore, baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 21 August 1825<sup>39</sup>. He married Mary Millard (baptised 2 November 1828 in Trevethin, Monmouthshire, daughter of John Millard, a collier, and his wife Hannah) on 14 October 1846 at the register office in the district of Trevithin, Monmouthshire<sup>40</sup>.

He died aged 35, one of 142 men and boys killed in an explosion at the Old Black Vein Colliery at Risca, Caerphilly, Monmouthshire on 1 December 1860<sup>41</sup>. Mary Skidmore, a 'collier's widow', was living with her children 'Near the Church' in Risca at the time of the 1861 census. It is possible she (or her daughter Mary) died shortly after since the death of a Mary Skidmore was registered at Newport in 1861Q2.

The two surviving sons of this family emigrated to America and nothing is known of the daughters Sarah Ann and Mary after the British census of 1861; it is possible that all four children left Monmouthshire.

**Children of George and Mary (Millard) Skidmore,**

*Birth registrations have not been found for the following.*

- i. John, born 1847Q4. He was buried on 4 March 1849 at St Saviour's, Coalpit Heath<sup>42</sup>, aged

<sup>39</sup> The baptism register gives the father's name in error as George Scudamore.

<sup>40</sup> Her name appears as Mary Miller on the marriage certificate.

<sup>41</sup> www.dmm.org.uk/uknames His death was not registered until 1861Q2.

<sup>42</sup> St Saviour's is the ecclesiastical Parish of Coalpit Heath constituted in 1845 for the pastoral care of colliers whose

- 'over one'. His death was registered at Chipping Sodbury.
140. ii. WILLIAM, born 1849.
  - iii. Sarah Ann, born about 1852 in Machen, Monmouthshire. Nothing known after 1861.
  - iv. Leah, born 13 September 1852 in Westerleigh. She married Rennison Foster, a brickmaker of Platts Common (son of William Foster, a shoemaker) at St George's, Barnsley, Yorkshire on 25 October 1875. They had eleven children. Leah Foster died in Newmarket in 1930.
  - iv. Mary, born about 1853 in Risca. Nothing known after 1861.
  - v. John J., born about 1856 in Machen. He emigrated around 1880 to America. The only census in which he has so far been found is that of 1920, when he was widowed and lodging in Baltimore, Maryland, a salesman for a paint company.

**83. ELI<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 17 March 1833 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of William [46] and Leah (Drew) Skidmore. He was living with his brothers at Bristol at the time of the 1851 census, but married Eliza Newton (born about 1832 in Bristol) a few weeks later on 23 June 1851 in a civil ceremony registered at Clifton, Bristol.

He was living, a journeyman hatter, on Lock Lane in Frome, Somerset in 1861. He continued as a hatter and by the time of the 1871 was also licensee of the Myrtle Tree Tavern on Thomas Street, Bristol. He appears there in the 1874 Electoral Register. He died at Bristol on 30 September 1877 aged 46, and the administration on his estate was granted to the widow Eliza on 20 October 1877. She remained a publican in St Thomas, Bristol until at least 1881 but by 1891 had moved with her daughter and son-in-law to 8 Gladstone Street, St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol and close to the family of William Luke Skidmore at 6 Gladstone Street (noticed below). She died there on 17 June 1899 aged 66, leaving a will naming her daughter as executor.

**A child of Eli and Eliza (Newton) Skidmore,**

- i. Eliza, baptised 26 October 1851 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. She married William Hathway (born about 1852 in the parish of Wick & Abson, Gloucestershire, son of John Hathway), a carter for the railway, on 26 May 1879 at St Mary Redcliff, Bristol and lived at 8 Gladstone Street. Mrs Hathway died in 1907Q2 aged 55.

**84. HENRY<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised on 14 December 1834 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of William [46] and Leah (Drew) Skidmore. A labourer, he married Harriet Scrase, a milliner, (born about 1832 in Bristol, daughter of Daniel Scrase, a haulier of Kilbore Street, and his wife Elizabeth) on 26 December 1855 in a civil ceremony registered at Clifton, Bristol. They were living in 1861 in Twinnell Street, Bristol and in 1871 and 1874 (Electoral Register) on Hammersmith Place, Bristol. In 1881 his mother-in-law Elizabeth Scrase, aged 69, was living with them at 40 Winsford Street, St Philip's, Bristol.

By 1891 Mr Skidmore was running a coal haulage business and lived with his family at 4 Morley Terrace, St Philip's, Bristol. His wife died in 1910Q4 aged 78 and he went to live with his daughter Leah Elizabeth Hole. He died in 1926.

**Children of Henry and Harriet (Scrase) Skidmore, born St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol,**

141. i. WILLIAM LUKE, born 1859Q2.
- ii. Leah Elizabeth, born April 1861, one week old on census night, April 7th. She was a paper bag maker before her marriage to John Hole (born about 1862 at Timberscombe, Somerset) in 1892Q2. He worked in the factory which manufactured cocoa and their home was at 48 Claremont Street, Stapleton Road, Bristol. Mrs Hole died in 1925 aged 63.
142. iii. HENRY SAMUEL, born 1863Q1.
- iv. Mary Ann, born 1865Q1. She was living at home, a 'Fancy packer at chocolate works' in 1891. She married Charles Leakey, a commercial clerk (born about 1869 in Bristol, son of Henry Leakey), on 25 July 1896 at St Paul's, Bristol. They were living in 1901 at 7 Emlyn Road, Easton, Bristol. Mrs Leakey died in 1926 aged 61.
- v. Harriet Matilda, born 1867Q2. She married Robert William Baker (born about 1866 at St Augustine, Bristol) in 1891Q4. He was a sanitary sweeper, and they were living with their children at 34 Battersea Road in 1901 and 38 Cobridge Road, Eastville, Bristol by 1911.
- vi. Sarah, born 1869Q4. She was a scholar in 1881. She married Harry Leakey (born about 1870 at

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lengthy working hours made it difficult for them to attend St Peter's Church situated on the other side of the hill. A high proportion of Frampton Cotterell Civil Parish is encompassed within newer Coalpit Heath.

Bristol, son of Henry Leakey) on 3 May 1896 at Christ Church, Barton Hill, Bristol. He was an oil hawker and later a street lamp lighter, and their home was at 14 Southgate Terrace in 1901 and 24 Hinton Road, Easton, Bristol by 1911. Mrs Leakey's death at the age of 79 appears to be that registered in Bristol in 1949.

143. vii. GEORGE JAMES, born 1872Q1.

**85. LUKE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE/ SCUDAMORE** was baptised 9 June 1839 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of William [46] and Leah (Drew) Skidmore<sup>43</sup>. He married Elizabeth Thomas (born 1838 at Pontypool, Monmouthshire, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Thomas) on 21 January 1860 at Trevethin Parish Church. They were living in 1871 on Snatchwood Road, Snatchwood, Trevethin, Monmouthshire with his widowed mother-in-law Sarah Thomas and sister-in-law Ann Thomas. They were enumerated there in 1881 where he was a coal miner. His wife Elizabeth died aged 47 at Pantygasseg and was buried at Trevethin on 7 July 1886. Luke and his daughter then adopted the surname *Scudamore* and lived at the School House in Pantygasseg. Luke *Skidmore* died at Rose Cottage, High Street, Abersychan and was buried at Trevethin on 13 January 1813, aged 74.

**A child of Luke and Elizabeth (Thomas) Skidmore,**

- i. Sarah, born 1861Q2 at Abersychan in Trevethin. She is mentioned in Kelly's Directory of Monmouthshire for 1901 in the list of schools under the Trevethin School Board. Miss Sarah Scudamore was mistress of the Pantygasseg Mixed School, near Pontypool, which was built in 1883 for 108 children. The average attendance was 72 boys and girls and (under Miss Alice Edmunds) 25 infants. By 1911 Miss Scudamore was Head Teacher and lived with her father at the School House, Pantygasseg.

**86. PHILIP<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE *alias* PHILIP WELSH SKIDMORE** was baptised Philip Scudamore on 10 November 1816 at Frampton Cotterell, the son of George [47] and Hester (Bryant) Skidmore. A hatter, Philip Skidmore married Caroline Harding<sup>44</sup> (born about 1815 in Lambeth) on 25 April 1837 at St Mary's, Newington and lived for a time in London in Southwark and Lambeth - Marlbro St/ Gt Charlotte St, Southwark St Saviour 1841 and Vine Terrace, Lambeth in 1851.

He died aged 41 and was buried at St Paul's, Bristol on 11 December 1859. His widow was living in 1861 with her widowed brother James Harding, a wood sawyer (born about 1818 in Deptford, Kent) in Granby Place, Lambeth. She became a charwoman and lived in 1881 and probably until her death in 1893Q4, in Lambeth Old Workhouse.

**A child of Philip Welsh and Caroline (Harding) Skidmore,**

- i. John, baptised 3 November 1839 at St Martin-in-the-Fields, Westminster, son of Philip Welsh and Caroline Skidmore. I have not found this child after the census of 1841.

**86a. JOHN<sup>5</sup> SKIDMORE** is known from censuses to have been born about 1821 at Winterbourne and on present evidence appears to be a son of John [48] and Susannah (Turner) Skidmore. John Skidmore, a blacksmith of East Street, Bristol and son of John Skidmore hatter, married Eliza Coucher of East Street (baptised 23 September 1821 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol, a daughter of Thomas Coucher, a labourer, and his wife Charlotte) at St John's, Bedminster on 28 March 1841. John Skidmore, an iron founder, was living two months later at census time, with his wife in her parents' home in Pearces Place in the St James district of Bristol.

They remained in Pearces Place until at least 1851 but John Skidmore, now called a blacksmith, and his wife, a brush maker, were living at the time of the 1861 census with their children at 6 Skinner Street, St James. Eliza Skidmore died in Bristol in December 1864 and was buried at St Paul's on 1 January 1865.

By 1871 John Skidmore was a blacksmith in Garston, Lancashire, lodging there in York Street. He perhaps married Ann \_\_\_\_\_ (born about 1816 in Rimpton, Somerset) and was living with his wife at 28 Binlede Street, Liverpool, where he was described in the 1881 census as a 'driller in a boiler yard'. By 1891 they were living at 23 Browns Buildings, Prince Colwin Street, Everton and he was called a sailor. Ann Skidmore died in 1895Q1 aged 78, her husband later that year, aged 75.

**Children of John and Eliza (Coucher) Skidmore, born in Bristol, registered at Clifton,**

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<sup>43</sup> The baptism register gives the mother's name in error as Sarah.

<sup>44</sup> Note there were two men called Philip Skidmore both of whom married ladies called Caroline. See also the Philip Skidmore described in the Notes following the 5th generation.

- i. John James, baptised at St Paul's, Bristol on 1 August 1841. He died in 1845Q1.
- 143a. ii. GEORGE, born 1843Q4.
- 143b. iii. WILLIAM, born 1846Q3.
- iv. Caroline, born 10 August 1849, baptised 9 September at St Paul's. She died aged 5 and was buried at St Paul's, Bristol on 13 May 1855.

**and registered at Bristol,**

- v. Mary Ann, born 1852Q2. She appears to be the Mary Skidmore, a 'stay fanner', lodging in Bristol in 1871. She married Edward Hurley, a wool stapler (born about 1850 in Dundrum, Ireland, son of Edward Hurley) on 13 April 1873 at St Paul's, Bristol. She appears in censuses as Maria Hurley. They lived in Stapleton, Bristol, moving during the 1880s to 14 Marsland Street, Ardwick, Manchester.

**87. LUKE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE** was baptised 7 April 1822 at Winterbourne, a son of John [48] and Susannah (Turner) Skidmore. He was living at the time of the 1841 census with his mother and stepfather in Winterbourne. He married Martha Kethro on 5 December 1846 at Holy Trinity, Bristol. She was baptised on 20 June 1824 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol, a daughter of Thomas Kethro, hatter of Winterbourne Hill, and his wife Martha. Thomas Kethro spent a short time around 1828 in France, where two of his children were baptised at the British Embassy Chapel, Seine, Paris.

Luke Skidmore, an agricultural labourer, was living with his wife by 1851 at 2 Lion Place or Paddock, together with Martha's brother Thomas Kethro and sister Matilda Kethro. They remained in Lion Place until at least 1881 and he was listed in 1874 at 19 The Paddock in the Electoral Register. He had become a mason's labourer by 1881 and in his retirement lived in the lodging house kept by his daughters in Clevedon. Luke Skidmore died in 1893Q2, aged 71 and his widow moved with her daughter to Nailsea. She was living in 1901 but her death registration has not yet been found. She is thought to have been buried in Kenn churchyard, near Clevedon, Somerset.

**Children of Luke and Martha (Kethro) Skidmore, baptised at St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol,**

- i. Henry, baptised 29 October 1848. He died aged 15 and was buried at Holy Trinity on 21 June 1863.

**and registered at Clifton,**

- ii. Martha Ellen, baptised 22 December 1850. She was aged four months when the 1851 census was taken on March 30. She appears to be the Ellen Skidmore who died aged 3 and was buried at Holy Trinity on 11 January 1854.
- iii. Ellen, born 1854Q1 and baptised 1 June 1856 with her brother Francis. She died aged 15 and was buried at Holy Trinity, Bristol on 14 October 1869.
- 144. iv. FRANCIS, born 1856Q2.
- v. Martha, baptised 29 August 1858. I have not found this lady in the census of 1881 but she was listed in Kelly's Directory of 1889 as a ladies' and children's outfitter of Hill Road, Clevedon and was boarding with her sisters in 1891. She became a trained maternity nurse and as such was with a family in Keynsham at the time of the 1901 census. She later lived with the family of her brother Luke in Montpellier, Bristol.  
Martha Skidmore had a daughter,
  - i. Helen Ethel, born 1887Q1 at Warminster, Wiltshire. She was raised by her aunts Susannah and Lucy and married in 1913 and had two daughters.
- 145. vi. LUKE, born 1860Q4.
- vii. Susanna, baptised 16 November 1862. At the time of the 1881 census she was a domestic servant, called Susan Skidmore, at Rodmead Farm House, Maiden Bradley, Wiltshire. By 1891 she and her sister Lucy kept a lodging house called Campbell House, in Hallam Road, Clevedon, Somerset. These enterprising ladies by 1901 were running a poultry farm, perhaps from their home in Tickenham (Nailsea, Somerset), at Ivy House, at the 'Back of Church Lane' according to the census enumerator. Their widowed mother lived with them.
- viii. Lucy, born 1865Q1.

*My thanks to Daisy Stevens, granddaughter of Luke Skidmore (1860-1947) for this photograph of the children of Luke Skidmore (1822-1893), taken in 1935.*



MARTHA LUKE SUSANNAH FRANK LUCY

SKIDMORE

Circa 1935.

**88. DANIEL<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised on 8 April 1827 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Luke [49] and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. He was an apprentice in 1841 to Edgar Holden, a tailor living in Chapel Street, Abersychan, Monmouthshire. He married Sarah Collier, a straw hat maker (born about 1828 in St Philip's, Bristol, a daughter of Joseph Collier), on 10 December 1848 at St George, Bristol. By the time of the 1851 census he was a master tailor employing one man, and was living with his wife and daughter at 22 Twinnell Street in the parish of St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol.

They had moved by 1861 to Middle Castle Green Terrace, Castle Ward, Bristol. They were still resident in Bristol at Queens Parade, Stapleton Road in 1871 (census) and 1874 (Electoral Register). Daniel Skidmore died at Hambrook on 12 December 1875 aged 48. He retained the name Skidmore; the will of Daniel *Skidmore* was proved on 11 January 1876, and named his brother George *Scudamore* and his son-in-law Charles Bryant as executors.

His widow Sarah married John Ward, widower of her sister-in-law Elizabeth (Skidmore), on 10 June 1879 (both of 13 Linton Street, Islington) at St James the Apostle, Prebend Street, Islington, London. Richard Gill and Hannah Ward were witnesses. They were living in 1881 in Abbotsham Place, Bristol. She was again widowed by 1891 and had moved to Wint Street, Winterbourne with her widowed daughter Annie Bryant and her grandchildren Bessie and Charles Bryant.

**A child of Daniel and Sarah (Collier) Skidmore,**

- i. Sarah Ann Elizabeth, born in January 1851. Her marriage on 29 January 1870, by the Registrar's Office in Bristol, to cattle dealer Charles Bryant (born about 1840 in Bristol) was announced in *The Bristol Mercury*. They were living at 2 Abbotsham Place, Bristol in 1871, and at 4 Drummond Road in 1881. Mr Bryant's death at the age of 49 was probably that registered at Barton Regis in 1888Q2; certainly by the time of the 1891 census his widow and children were living in Winterbourne with her mother Sarah Ward.

*Annie* Bryant married secondly Thomas Sollis, a stone quarryman (born about 1835 in Winterbourne) in 1893Q2. The deaths of Thomas Sollis and Sarah Ann E Sollis occurred in 1905Q1.

**89. MARK<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 20 February 1831, was a son of Luke [49] and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. A shoemaker, he married Susannah Grosvenor (born about 1829 at St Philip's, Bristol, daughter of John Grosvenor, labourer of Lawrence Hill, Bristol, and his wife Susannah) on 9 September 1849 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. He and his wife *Susan* (and an infant son William) were living in 1851 at 16 Twinnell Street in the parish of St Philip and St Jacob. By 1861 they were at 23 Eagle Street in Bristol and Mark Skidmore, 'a clicker in a shoe factory', was still there in 1871 and in 1874 (Electoral Register). By 1881 he and his family were living on Bloy Street, St George, where they remained for at least 10 years. His death at the age of 61 was registered as Skidmore but his burial as Mark *Scudamore* - presumably arranged by his sons who had assumed the name Scudamore - took place on 20 November 1891 in the Greenbank Cemetery in Bristol.

Susannah Skidmore, a widow said to be 75, and a retired shoe blocker, was living alone at 160 Lower Ashby Road in 1901. She died in 1907Q1 aged 79.

MARK'S SONS JOSEPH AND ARTHUR JOHN TOOK THE NAME SCUDAMORE FROM THE 1880S.

**Children of Mark and Susannah (Grosvenor) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. William Charles, born 14 April 1850, baptised 12 May at SS Philip & Jacob. He died aged 18 and was buried on 19 July 1868 at Holy Trinity.
- ii. Mary Eliza, born 1853Q1. She was employed in a cocoa works in 1871, and married Alfred Richard Tanner, a grocer (son of Thomas Tanner, and who later married her sister Ann) on 3 June 1878 at Holy Trinity, Stapleton. They were living at the time of the 1881 census with William 2 and Annie 10 months, at 3 Black Bird Place, Stapleton Road, Bristol. She died on 14 June 1882, aged 30, and is buried in the Greenbank Cemetery, Bristol.
- iii. Eleanor, born 1856Q2. Not found with the family after the census of 1861. She was called Ellen in that census and is perhaps the E. Skidmore, a domestic servant aged 24, in Bristol City Workhouse in 1881 and the 40-year old Ellen Skidmore working as a kitchen maid at the Clifton Down Hotel in 1901.
147. iv. GEORGE, born 1858Q1 at Easton.
- v. Ann, born 1860Q2. Called Annie in 1881, a grocer's assistant. She married Alfred Richard Tanner (born about 1854 in Bristol), the widower of her sister Mary Eliza, on 24 June 1883 at the Whitefield Congregational Church, Bristol. He became a commercial traveller in provisions and they moved around 1890 to live in Radnor Street, Cardiff, moving by 1901 to 134 Llandaff Road. Mr Tanner was a local preacher and died in Cardiff in 1925 aged 70.
- vi. Joseph, born 1863Q3. A boot top cutter, in 1886Q3 he married (as Joseph *Scudamore*) Minnie Smith (1868-1936), daughter of Mrs Emily Smith of Catherine Street, St Philips. He was a grocer in 1891 living at 2 Somerset Terrace, Bedminster. Others in the household at this time were his wife's sister Florence Smith 14, his uncle and aunt William 34 and Emily 32 Fletcher, both Turkish bath attendants, and his aunt Mrs Sarah Harding 52, all born in Bristol. He died at 14 Cumberland Street, Bristol in 1901, called *Scuddamore*.  
His widow married John Spry in 1903Q2 and was living in 1911 at The Lodge, Gloucester County Ground, Bishopston, Bristol, where Mr Spry was Head Groundsman. He had children by a previous marriage, five of whom were still at home in 1911.
148. vii. ARTHUR JOHN, born 1869Q3.

**90. EDWIN<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, was baptised 15 February 1835 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of Luke [49] and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. He married Martha Davies (born 1841 in Wales) in the Registration District of Newport, Wales in 1853Q3. He was recently arrived in America when his family were enumerated in 1870 in Ward 2, Buffalo, Erie County, New York. Note there are several discrepancies in this census<sup>45</sup>.

<sup>45</sup> 1870 US census, discrepancies underlined:

Family headed by Edward aged 27, a shoemaker, then Martha 23 .

Note no Elizabeth aged about 17 who appears in British 1881 census,

then Edwin 24 ; Sidney 9 ; Frank 1 (birth registered 1870Q2) ; Elizabeth 4 months (her birth reg. not found), all b. England.

By 1876 they had returned to Bedminster, Bristol where he was a boot and shoe maker at the time of the 1881 census, living with his family at 10 Cambridge Street. This couple and certain of their children are not found in later British censuses.

**Children of Edwin and Martha (Davies) Skidmore,**

- i. Elizabeth Jane, born about 1854 at Liverpool.
- ii. Edwin, born 1859Q2. His age was apparently recorded in error as 24 in the 1870 US census. He was a prisoner in Bristol Gaol at the time of the 1881 British census, serving a 9 month sentence for unlawful wounding, issued at the Bristol Winter Assizes on 30 October 1880<sup>46</sup>.  
He married Sarah Alice Machin (born 1862Q2, daughter of Thomas Machin, a mason of Foster Street, St George, and his wife Mary) in 1905Q2 at the United Methodist Church, Redland, Bristol. In the census of 1891 he was called *Scudamore*, a foreman in a boot factory, living in the village of Soundwell, Gloucestershire, with his mother-in-law Mary Machin and sister-in-law Grace Machin (born about 1874 in Bristol). By 1901 Edwin and Alice Scudamore lived at 20 John's Lane, Bedminster. She died in 1907Q2 aged 44.
- 149. iii. SIDNEY ALFRED, born 1865Q1 at Redcliff.
- 150. iii. FRANK, born March 1870 at Bristol.
- iv. [perhaps] Elizabeth, born 4 months before 1870 US census, which commenced on 1 June.
- v. Beatrice Ada, born 1876Q1, baptised with her brothers Frank and Fred at Holy Nativity, Knowle, Somerset on 7 May 1883.
- 151. vi. **FRED**<sup>7</sup>, born 1878Q1 in Bedminster. He emigrated in 1882 and was living in 1900 with his brother at Topeka, Kansas where he was a house painter. A clerk in 1910, he was lodging in Monroe Street, Chicago. He married Nettie \_\_\_\_\_ (born about 1873 in Michigan) and lived in Chicago. They had, as known, one son.
- vii. [perhaps] Henry, registered as Harry in 1880Q1. He died an infant later in the same year.

**91. WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE/ SCUDAMORE**, baptised at Frampton Cotterell on 2 July 1837, a son of Luke [49] and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. He set up in business as a tailor and woollen draper in the High Street at Chipping Sodbury, and changed his name about this time to Scudamore. He married firstly Eliza Grosvenor on 5 January 1857 at St Philip and St Jacob, Bristol by whom he had issue born at Chipping Sodbury. She was younger sister to Susanna Grosvenor who married his brother Mark, daughters of John and Susannah Grosvenor of Lawrence Hill.

They were enumerated twice in the census of 1861, once as *Skidmore* in the home of his widowed mother at Frampton Cotterell and again as *Scudamore* at his premises in Chipping Sodbury. Eliza Scudamore died in 1862Q4 and he married secondly Hannah Werrett (born about 1844 at Chipping Sodbury, daughter of Richard Werrett, a haulier, and his wife Mary) in 1863Q3. They were living on Broad Street in 1871 where he was a master tailor employing four men. He died on 30 October 1874 at Chipping Sodbury leaving a will dated nine days earlier leaving all his real and personal estate to his wife Hannah Scudamore.

Mrs Scudamore married Lewis Wolff as her second husband in 1879Q2 and moved to Eggshill Common, Yate. Hannah Wolff married thirdly Albert Edward Edmonds in 1885Q1. He was a railway policeman in 1891, when they were living with her sons Albert and William Scudamore in Barton Terrace, Gloucester. By 1901 he was a lodgeman and time keeper in a cotton factory, and their home was at The Limes, Marlborough Road, Stapleton, Bristol. Mrs Edmonds was widowed by 1911 and was living with children and grandchildren at The Laurels, Downend, Bristol.

**Children of William and Eliza (Grosvenor) Scudamore,**

- i. [presumably] George, born 1858Q4. He died an infant later in the same year.
- ii. Blanche, born 1860Q1. She married William Bence Werrett, a fruiterer and greengrocer (born about 1858 in Yate, son of William, thatcher, and Mary Werrett of Eggshell Common there) in 1879Q4. Their home and business was at 32 Berkeley Place in Clifton, Bristol. Mrs Werrett died in Bristol in 1934 aged 75, her husband in 1942.
- iii. [presumably] Mary Eliza, born 1861Q4. She died an infant in 1863Q1.

<sup>46</sup> England & Wales, Criminal Registers, 1791-1892 [database online].

**Children of William and Hannah (Werrett) Scudamore,**

- iv. [presumably] Herbert William, born 1864Q2. He died an infant later in the same year.
- 152. v. SIDNEY WILLIAM RICHARD, born 1865Q3.
- vi. Adah Mary, born 1867Q1. She married Henry Werrett, an agricultural labourer (born about ?1838 in Yate) in 1887Q1. They were living in 1891 on Yate Road in Yate. She was widowed by 1901 and became a housekeeper, at first in Taunton, Somerset and, by 1911, in Redland, Bristol. Ada M. Werrett, perhaps this lady, married Arthur Cooper in 1915 in Bristol.
- vii. [presumably] Frank, born 1869Q1. He died in 1870Q4 aged 2.
- 153. vii. ALBERT WILLIAM, born 1870Q2.
- viii. William, born 1873Q1 (a twin). He died an infant in the same year.
- ix. Amy Hannah, born 1873Q1 (a twin). A dressmaker, she was living at Yate in 1881 with her aunt Mary Werrett, aged 80, in 1891 with her sister Ada Mary and, from 1901 with her mother. Miss Scudamore died in 1949.
- x. William Daniel, born 1874Q4. A clerk for a wholesale druggist in 1911. He lived at Downend, Bristol, where he died unmarried on 26 March 1968.

**92. LUKE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE/ SCUDAMORE**, baptised 10 February 1839 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Luke [49] and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. Luke *Skidmore* married Emma Nutt (born about 1835 at Bedminster or Bristol Temple, daughter of John Nutt) on 7 August 1859 at St Jude, Bristol. They had various addresses in Bedminster, Bristol, where he was a boot maker - in 1861 on Somerset Street, in 1871 in Colston Street and in 1881 at 45 Herbert Street, called *Skidmore* in each of these censuses. Kelly's Commercial Directory of Bristol for 1889 lists Luke Scudamore, boot maker of Clarke Street, St Philip's<sup>47</sup>; Luke *Scudamore* and his family were living at this address at the time of the 1891 census.

By 1901 he was a dealer in firewood, living at 3 Albert Street, Bristol with his wife and daughters Rosina and Louisa, together with a boarder, Frederick Johnstone aged 11 months. Emma Scudamore died in 1910Q4 aged 78, her husband a year later aged 73.

LUKE AND HIS SON WILLIAM ALFRED TOOK THE NAME SCUDAMORE FROM THE 1880S.

**Children of Luke and Emma (Nutt) Skidmore, births registered as *Skidmore*,**

- i. John, born 1860Q3 and baptised with Rosina and Alfred on 5 August 1869 at St Mary Redcliffe, Bristol. John Skidmore died at the age of 19 and was buried at Bedminster on 30 June 1880.
- ii. Rosina, born 1865Q1. She was a charwoman, single and remained at Albert Street, Easton after the death of her parents. Miss Scudamore died in 1940 aged 76.

**born at Bedminster, Bristol,**

- 154. iii. WILLIAM ALFRED, born 1867Q3 at Bedminster.
- iv. Louisa, born 1870Q1. She was single, living at home in 1901.
- v. Florence Annie M., born 1873Q2 and baptised on 4 July at St John's, Bedminster. She was a dressmaker at home in 1891. Sight of their marriage record in needed but she is perhaps the Florence Annie Skidmore who married ?Alfred Charles Sowden, a joiner in 1893Q2. *Annie* Sowden 27 was living with her husband aged 28 in Alaska House, Herbert Street, Bristol in 1901.

**93. GEORGE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE/ SCUDAMORE** was baptised on 2 May 1841 at Frampton Cotterell, a son of Luke [49] and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. He was called *Skidmore* in 1861, when he was a porter, lodging at 7 Cox's Building, in Bristol, but had assumed the name *Scudamore* at his marriage to Elizabeth Ellen Billett (born 1843Q1 in Bristol, daughter of William Billett, a draper's porter, and his wife Ellen) on 8 June 1862 at St Peter's, Bristol.

George Scudamore was a grocer thereafter, with premises at 29 Penn Street, St Paul's, Bristol. This was also the family home, apart from the time of the 1881 census when they were living 1 Gwynne Street, St James and St Paul, Bristol in 1881.

During the 1890s they moved to 33 Old Market Street. Mr Scudamore retired to live at 7 Freemantle Road, Cotham. He died in 1917, his widow in 1934.

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<sup>47</sup> Luke Skidmore, boot maker of 160 Stapleton Road, was presumably Luke Skidmore [145].

**Children of George and Elizabeth Ellen (Billett) Scudamore, born in Bristol,**

155. i. GEORGE WILLIAM, born 1863Q2.
156. ii. ALFRED EDWARD, born 1865Q3.
  - iii. Elizabeth Ellen, born 1867Q4. She died, an infant, in the year following.
  - iv. Elizabeth, born 1869Q2. She married William John Hoskins, a boot maker and dealer (born about 1867 in Bristol) in 1904Q1 at Bristol. They were living by 1911 with their children at 11 Nine-Tree Hill, Bristol.
  - v. Ann, born 1871Q3. Known as Annie. With her brother Frank she assisted her brother Arthur, the manager of Scudamore Stores in Avondale Road. She died unmarried in 1953.
  - vi. Ellen, born 1873Q4. She married Oliver Bryant (born about 1880 in Bristol, whose father Henry Bryant was born in Frampton Cotterell) on 3 August 1903 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. She and her two daughters were living at the time of the 1911 census with the family of her brother Charles. Oliver Bryant was the proprietor of the Dixcart Hotel on the island of Sark in the Channel Islands.
157. vii. CHARLES DANIEL, born 1875Q3.
  - viii. Frank, born 1879Q1. He married Emily J. Hazell (1876-1955) in 1930. He died in 1958.
  - ix. Arthur, born 1880Q1. At the time of the 1911 census he was living - together with his sister Annie and brother Frank - in the home of his parents in Cotham. He was then Manager of Scudamore Stores in Avondale Road, Bristol. He enlisted on 30 May 1917, at the age of 38 years 7 months, with the Somerset Light Infantry and was transferred to 2/7 (Cyclist) Battalion of the Devon Regiment<sup>48</sup>. He was posted to France in April 1918 and assigned to the 3rd Battalion of the Worcester Regiment. He returning home in February 1919. He married Florence Mary Lee (1897-1972) in 1929. Mr Scudamore died in 1963.

**94. JOHN<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE/ SCUDAMORE**, born in 1843Q3 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Luke [49] and Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. John *Skidmore* was living with his brother Daniel in Castle Ward, Bristol in 1861 but was married as John *Scudamore* (the name he retained). He married Rhoda Carr of Westbury, Wiltshire (born 1846Q1, daughter of William Carr, a spinner, and his wife Sarah), in 1865Q4 in Bristol. She had moved into St Paul's, Bristol to live with her uncle and aunt, William and Mary Ann Watkins.

By the time of the 1871 census, John's mother Ann Scudamore was living with them at 7 Conduit Place in St James and St Paul, Bristol, which was their home still in 1874 (Electoral Register).

By 1881 John Scudamore, a merchant's clerk, had moved to 40 Richmond Road and they were to move yet again during the 1880s to 4 Drummond Road. He was an accountant at Fairlawn, 1 St Matthew's Road, Cotham, Bristol in 1901, and died in 1904Q3 aged 60, leaving a will proved at Bristol on 2 October 1905. Rhoda Scudamore and her two younger daughters remained at this home at least until 1911. She died in 1926.

**Children of John and Rhoda (Carr) Scudamore, all born in Bristol,**

- i. Annie, born 1866Q3. She married Edwin Byrt (born about 1865 in Bristol) in 1889Q3 at Bristol. At the time of the 1891 census, when they were living at 44 Albert Park, he was a salesman for a leather merchant. He had become a dairyman's cashier by 1901.
158. ii. ALBERT JOHN, born 1867Q4.
159. iii. WILLIAM EDWARD, born 1869Q4.
  - iv. Frank, born 1871Q3. He died an infant.
160. v. CHARLES, born 1872Q3.
- vi. Rhoda Kate, born 1874Q4. She and her younger sister Eleanor were at the home in 1891 of their

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<sup>48</sup> Formed in September 1914 from the expanding 7th (Cyclist) Battalion, the 2/7th Devons became part of Southern Command. Based at Totnes, they sent patrols and coastal reconnaissance parties along the coast from Lyme Regis to the River Yealm, east of Plymouth, and from Rame Head westwards to Polruan. In November 1915 the 2/7th were moved to St Leonards-on-Sea in Sussex, where they remained until June 1916 when they moved to Sevenoaks. Later they covered part of the North Sea coast and they ended the war at Maldon in Essex. Both battalions sent many drafts overseas. On 18th July 1916, for example, one draft from the 1/7th joined A Company of the 2nd Devons to fight in the Cuinchy sector on the Somme. But both cyclist battalions remained in England throughout the war. <http://www.keepmilitarymuseum.org>. See also <http://rls.org.uk/database/record.php?usi=000-000-001-309-L> for general notes on Cycling for a photograph of Army Cyclists in WW1.

maternal grandmother Mrs Sarah Carr in Bath Road, Melksham, Wiltshire. Rhoda Scudamore died unmarried in 1948.

161. vii. ARTHUR FRANK (Reverend), born 25 October 1876.
- viii. Eleanor Grace, born 1887Q3. She died unmarried in 1950.

**95. JOHN<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, a son of Edward [50] and Elizabeth (Hibbs) Skidmore, was baptised on 17 April 1835 at Frampton Cotterell. He was a stone cutter there at the time of the 1851 census and married Mary Ann Bryant (born about 1833 in Frampton Cotterell, a daughter of Jonathan, hatter, and Hester Bryant of Goose Green there), on 24 June 1856 at St Peter's. Their marriage was witnessed by Maria Howes and George Skidmore.

They emigrated to Australia sailing on *The Bee* on 14 January 1857 arriving in Victoria on 18 April. They went to Beechworth, Victoria where gold had been discovered in February 1852, resulting in thousands of speculators rushing there from all over the world. By 1867 four million ounces of gold had been mined, and the fields and the population went into a decline. According to an account written by William John Skidmore of Beechworth in May 1960, relating his memories of his family, four men came together on *The Bee* - John Skidmore (whom he mistakenly thought was from Cornwall), Harry Turner, Samuel Hollister and perhaps Daniel Palmer.

Further, W.J. Skidmore states that John Skidmore married twice. Mary Ann Skidmore died at the age of 29 in 1864.

Beechworth's Powder Magazine was one of several built on the Victorian goldmines towards the end of the 1850s. It was closed in 1918 and lay neglected for many years until local residents, inspired by Mr John (Jack) Skidmore and the Progress Association raised funds for urgent restoration work. The Magazine was described in 1966 as 'one of the most important gold era relics intact in Australia'. Skidmore Road (which leads from Camp Street to the Magazine) was named after Mr John Skidmore in recognition of his efforts in conservation.

The descendants of John Skidmore are said to have largely removed to Melbourne, some 125 miles south west of Beechworth. He died aged 91 in Beechworth on 9 March 1925 and was buried in the Presbyterian section of Beechworth cemetery<sup>49</sup>. John Skidmore the elder, a pensioner of Camp Street Beechworth, made a will in 1924, which mentions his sister-in-law Mary Ann Skidmore of Frampton Cotterell, England and her daughter Martha Skidmore.<sup>50</sup>

#### **Children of John and Mary Ann (Bryant) Skidmore,**

- i. Eliza, born 6 July 1856 at Frampton Cotterell. Her birth certificate shows that she was the daughter of John Skidmore of Frampton Cotterell, and his wife Mary Ann, formerly Bryant. She went with her parents to Australia the following year and in 1882 married Alexander Main (said to have been born in Gloucestershire though his birth registration there has not been found) and had four children - William, Alex, Beatrice and Emily.

#### **born in Victoria, Australia<sup>51</sup>,**

162. ii. WILLIAM, born 1858.
163. iii. GEORGE, born 1860.
164. iv. EDWARD, born 4 November 1861.
- v. James, born in 1863 and died that year aged 3 months.
- vi. John, born in 1864 and died that year aged 7 months.
- ?vii. A daughter, said to have married a Mr Barnes of Rutherglen.

**96. GEORGE<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, a son of Edward [50] and Elizabeth (Hibbs) Skidmore, was born at Frampton Cotterell and baptised there on 20 December 1836. He married Elizabeth Huish (who was born about 1836 at Winterbourne, daughter of John Huish) on 15 May 1858 at St James, Mangotsfield. He was an agricultural labourer living at Hambrook, Mangotsfield in 1861. He was called George *Scudamore* in 1871, at least for the purposes of the census that year, though thereafter he is always called *Skidmore*. He lived on Church Lane in Frampton Cotterell in 1871, where he was groom to the Frampton Iron Works, and was later a market gardener living in 1891 and 1901 at Goose Green, Frampton Cotterell.

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<sup>49</sup> Private correspondence from Burke Museum, Beechworth in 1991.

<sup>50</sup> Victoria Probate online.

<sup>51</sup> Australian Birth Index 1788-1922.

He appears to be the George Skidmore elected to the Frampton Cotterell parish council in March 1897, as reported in the Bristol Times and Mirror of 20 March 1897. The following men were elected: \*J. Marsh, \*J. Davis jun., \*J. Davis sen., E. Turner, \*H. Gibbs, George Skidmore, Elias Dando, H. Player, \*J. Matthews. (\*Old members). On the evening of 20 April the first meeting of the newly-elected council was held at the British School. Messrs Henry Gibbs [chairman], W. Hardwick, J. Matthews, J. Davis senior, J. Davis junior, James Brimble, Edwin Turner [vice-chairman], G. Skidmore and E. Dando present. Six overseers were elected - Messrs. James Marsh, W. Alsopp, W.K. Meredith, E. Turner. Mr John Long Champion (a grocer and shopkeeper of Gladstone House, Frampton Cotterell) was elected waywarden for the year. On 2 May that year the council met to discuss 'what form the commemoration of her Majesty's long reign should take in the parish' and, after considerable discussion, it was decided that a fête should be held on Tuesday June 15. It was agreed that a tea should be given to all children resident in the parish under the age of 15, and 'something in the nature of a free dinner or its equivalent to the aged poor'. Mr Jeffery Matthews was appointed treasurer and the sum of £12 12s was subscribed in the room before the meeting closed. At the December meeting of the council later that year G. Skidmore put forward the motion that 'the Lawford's-Gate Highway Board be requested to deepen, cleanse and cover in the ditch at Adam's Land, which was frequently a 'large stagnant pool....dangerous to the public health'. He also reported the dangerous condition of a path over a disused railway embankment behind the parish church, and 'gave notice of motion for the next meeting'.

On 18 August 1897 the 37th annual show of the Frenchay and South Gloucestershire Horticultural Society was held in the grounds of Starshawes Court, Yate. The Bristol Times and Mirror of the next day reported that 'the cottagers exhibits displayed an improvement on some past years and if the fruit is excepted, this section of the show was decidedly good. In the cottagers section G. Skidmore took 3rd prize for the best collection of vegetables and the same for round potatoes, for runner beans and for broad beans, and he took 1st prize for Victoria asters. W. Skidmore took the prize for lettuces and came 2nd with the gooseberries.

George Skidmore died at Goose Green on 5 March 1909 aged 71, leaving a will which named as executor his son Albert Edward Skidmore, miner. His widow died two months later on 3 June 1909 aged 73; Mr Skidmore, his wife and daughters Harriet and Rose are buried in St Peter's Churchyard.

**Children of George and Elizabeth (Huish) Skidmore, baptised at All Saints, Winterbourne Down,**

- i. Annie, born 1859Q2 at Moorend. She died aged 5 and was buried on 19 June 1864 at St John the Baptist, Frenchay in Winterbourne, but called 'of Mangotsfield'.
- ii. Minnie Virginia, born at Moorend and baptised 2 March 1862.  
She had a child Edith *Lloyd*, born about 1890 in Abertillery, Monmouthshire, who was living with Minnie's parents in 1901 and was cared for by Minnie's sister Rose after their deaths in 1909. Minnie was living in Abertillery in 1891 as the wife of David Lloyd, a coal miner from that town, born there about 1860. Other children in this household were Charlie C. Lloyd, born about 1882 in Manchester (who is called Charles Carter, David's stepson in 1901) and John George Lloyd, born about 1888 in Abertillery. Their home in 1901 was 79 Cwm Street. The death of a Minnie Lloyd aged 40 in 1902Q1 was registered at Bedwellty (which district included Abertillery).
165. iii. ALBERT EDWARD, born 1863Q3 at Mangotsfield.
- iv. Rosina, baptised 3 September 1865 and called Rose. She had some form of physical handicap and worked as a tailoress from her parents' home until the time of their deaths. By 1911 she was living in Clyde Road, Frampton Cotterell with her niece Edith Lloyd, also a tailoress. She died unmarried on 23 June 1949, aged 82.
166. v. FRED, baptised 21 December 1866.
- vi. Elizabeth Anne, born 1869Q3. A tailoress, she married, on 5 December 1893 at Frampton Cotterell, William Cooper, a coal miner from Cwm, Ebbw Vale, Monmouthshire (born about 1870 in Radstock, Somerset, son of Samuel Cooper, tailor). The witnesses were Frederick William Lewis and Clara Jane Cooper. William and Elizabeth Cooper were living with their daughters in 1901 on Green Street in Abertillery.
167. vii. WILLIE, born around September 1870.
- viii. Harriet Martha, born 1874Q4. She was a tailoress living at home in 1891, and died unmarried on 16 June 1895 aged 20, buried 21 June at St Peter's.

**97. EDWARD<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE** was born on 12 December 1839 (baptised 7 January 1844) at Frampton Cotterell, a son of Edward [50] and Elizabeth (Hibbs) Skidmore. He was an errand boy in the 1851 census and was still at home in 1861, but married Sarah Hill (born about 1839 at Stinchcombe, Gloucestershire) in 1865Q2 in Dursley registration district.

A hatter in Hoxton, London in 1871, by 1881 they were living in Camberwell, London - firstly at 24 Coopers Road (1881) and later at 32 Cowan Street (1891). He died on 20 March 1898 aged 58 at 58 Conduit Place, Bristol and was buried at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell on 24 March. He left a will naming his wife as executor. She and her daughter Minnie returned to Brockridge Hill in Frampton Cotterell by 1901 where they were needlewomen. Mrs Skidmore died in 1922 aged 82.

**Children of Edward and Sarah (Hill) Skidmore,**

- i. Minnie, born in 1872Q1 at Hoxton, London. She was a collar warehouse assistant in 1891, and living unmarried with her mother in 1901. She became a music teacher and died in 1934 at Frampton Cotterell, where she is buried in the Zion Chapel graveyard.
- ii. Emma, baptised 14 June 1874 at St Michael's, Winterbourne. Her death registration has not been found in Gloucestershire or London but she does not appear in censuses.

**98. HENRY<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born on 6 May 1842 (baptised 7 January 1844), was a son of Edward [50] and Elizabeth (Hibbs) Skidmore. He was at home in 1861 an agricultural labourer. He married Mary Ann Huish (born in 1843 at Hambrook, Winterbourne, daughter of William and Mary Ann (Huxtable) Huish) on 30 April 1865 at Holy Trinity, Bristol, and is called a labourer of Winterbourne at the christening of their first two children<sup>52</sup>. They were living at the time of the 1871 census at Stapleton, Gloucestershire where he was a coachman and gardener at Lodge Stables. By 1881 the family had moved into Bristol and were at 31 Amberley Street, St Philip and St Jacob. Henry remained a gardener and lived with his family at 13 Conduit Street, St James and St Paul, Bristol until at least 1901.

By the time of the 1911 census, Henry and wife and their daughter Martha had returned to Frampton Cotterell and were living in Church Lane. He died on 4 April 1922, aged 79 at Ashley House, Frampton Cotterell, leaving a will which named as executor William George Ray, pilot. His widow died on 29 December 1928, aged 84 at 47 St Thomas Street, Sheffield, and named in her will William Skidmore, widower and steel warehouseman. They are buried in St Peter's churchyard at Frampton Cotterell. She and her daughter Martha were remembered in the will of Henry's brother John Skidmore of Beechworth, Australia in 1924.

**Children of Henry and Mary Ann (Huish) Skidmore,**

168. i. EDWARD HENRY, was born in 1865Q4.
- ii. Florence Annie, born 1868Q1 in Hambrook in Winterbourne, and baptised Florence Augusta on 12 April 1868 at St Michael's Winterbourne. She was a servant in Old Market, Bristol in 1881 and then, until at least 1901, a parlour maid to the Bobbett family in Westbury. At the time of the 1911 census she was housekeeper for the family of William George Ray at Stanley House, Church Path, Pill.
- iii. Martha, born 1870Q1 at Hambrook in Winterbourne, and baptised 19 March 1870 at All Saints, Winterbourne Down. She died unmarried on 8 January 1935, and is buried at St Peter's.
- iv. Elizabeth Louisa, born 1871Q2. She was a tailoress living at home in 1901 and died in 1904Q4 aged 33.
169. v. CHARLES HERBERT, born 1873Q3.
170. vi. WALTER, born 1875Q2.
- vii. Arthur James, born 1880Q2 at Barton Regis. He died there in 1897Q2 aged 17.
171. viii. EDWIN ALFRED, born 1884Q4..

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<sup>52</sup> In April 1871 Wakefield, a member of the Christy family, was conducting a final factory review in Frampton Cotterell in the year the place was closed. Wakefield noted that Edward Skidmore's son Henry 'is fur cutting with House. Gets about 12 to 15s a week. He got some skins himself to cut. Gave 3s per dozen for them.' My thanks to Chris Heal for this information. This description by Wakefield does not fit neatly into the rest of Henry [98]'s history but is included here in the absence of another Henry son of Edward Skidmore.

**99. DANIEL<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE/ SCUDAMORE**, born 1847Q1 and baptised 18 August 1856 at the Zion Chapel in Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Edward [50] and Elizabeth (Hibbs) Skidmore. He was a blacksmith, called *Scudamore*, by the time of the 1871 census, lodging in Wells, Somerset. Daniel Scudamore married Elizabeth Ann Rowland (born 1851Q3 in Coalpit Heath, perhaps the daughter of Moses Rowland, a coal miner, and his wife Mary Ann) on 27 August 1876 at St Philip's, Camberwell, London. They settled in the Kentish Town area of St Pancras, London at 99 Castle Road and later Malden Road, where he was a farrier and smith. During the 1890s he set up his own business from his home in Newberry Mews, Kentish Town. Mrs Scudamore died in 1907Q1, her husband in 1918 aged 71.

**Children of Daniel and Elizabeth Ann (Rowland) Scudamore, born in London,**

- i. Rose Elizabeth, born 1877Q3 in Islington. She was at the time of the 1891 census domestic servant to a grocer's family in Kentish Town and in 1901 a cook to the family of physician Robert P. Bakewell in Hampstead, London.  
*Rosa* Elizabeth Scudamore married Philip Henry Bond [Harry], a timberman's assistant underground (born 1885 in Kensington, London, son of Harry Bond, a carpenter) at St Michael's, Abertillery on 10 January 1909. Fred *Skidmore* was a witness. They were living with their daughter Edith in 1911 at 25 Griffin Street, Sixbells, Abertillery.
- ii. Alice Clara, born 1879Q1 in Kentish Town. A housemaid in Islington in 1901 and domestic nurse to a family in Fellows Road, Hampstead in 1911.
- iii. Annie Eliza, born around October 1880 in Kentish Town. She died in 1885Q4 aged 5 years.
- iv. Edward John, born 1882Q3. A farrier who worked for his father, he perhaps married in 1907Q3 in the Hendon registration district of London. He died aged only 25 in 1908Q1.
172. v. HENRY GEORGE, born 1888Q1.
- vi. William Charles, aged 6 months at the time of the 1891 census. He died in 1893Q1 aged 2.
- vii. Frank Ernest, born 23 May 1894 in Kentish Town. A French polisher, he was living with his father in 1911. He was part of the 1st Cycling Battalion Royal Fusiliers and on 29 August 1914 signed with the 25th (City of London) Reserve Cycling Battalion The London Regiment. He held the rank of Cyclist until March 1916, when he transferred to the Royal Field Artillery as a driver.  
Mr Scudamore married in 1920 and died in 1970 aged 75.
- viii. Daniel Moses, born 1896Q3. He died in 1902Q1 aged 5.

**100. OLIVER<sup>6</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1846Q1 at Frampton Cotterell, was a son of Nathan [51] and Mary (Thatcher) Skidmore. He was living at the time of the 1861 census at his parents' home in Frampton Cotterell, a pupil teacher at the British School. By 1871 he was a schoolmaster at Wellingborough, Northamptonshire. He married firstly Charlotte James Perkins (born 1853Q3 in Brawdy, Pembrokeshire) at Haverford West in 1877Q4. He was a schoolmaster, living in 1881 with his wife and son at the Board Schoolmaster's House, Kilgetty Lane, St Issells, Pembrokeshire.



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His wife died in 1898Q aged 45, and he married secondly Jessie Martha Beddoe (born about 1871 in Penally, Pembrokeshire) in 1900Q4. Mr Skidmore was head teacher at Stepside School. He died in 1934 aged 88, his wife in 1950.

**Children of Oliver and Charlotte James (Perkins) Skidmore, born in St Issells,**

173. i. WILLIAM JAMES, born 1879Q3.
- ii. Esther Mary, born 1882Q1. She was a post office clerk in Bristol in 1901, boarding with a family in St George.
- iii. Herbert John, born 1886Q2. A plumber in Tenby in 1901, when he was boarding with the family of stonemason Thomas Griffiths, who was also from St Issells. A plumber boarding in Aberdare in 1911 and still single.

**101. ROBERT<sup>6</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1853Q3 at St Leonard's, London, was a son of Robert [53] and Elizabeth (Byrne) Scudamore. He enlisted in the army on 31 October 1870 at the age of 17 and served with the 4th Regiment of Foot for many years. He married firstly Elizabeth Sarah Anne Bolter (1860-1880) on 26 December 1877 at St George's, Birmingham. He was living in 1881 in Bowerham Barracks, Lancaster where he was a sergeant at this depot for the Infantry Brigade. His 10-year old brother-in-law Richard John Bolter (born in Chester) lived there too.

He married secondly Katie Wilson (1865-1947) from Darlington, Yorkshire on 10 January 1886 at St Mary's Church, Poona, India. They were living in 1901 in a cottage near Home Farm, possibly called Stile House, Bradfield, Berkshire, where he was an army pensioner and drill instructor. He died in 1908Q3 in London and his widow and three younger children were living by 1911 at 64 Mill Lane, Brixton, London.

Mrs Scudamore died in 1947 at Poona, India.

**Children of Robert and Elizabeth (Bolter) Scudamore<sup>53</sup>,**

- i. Alberta Elizabeth, born 16 December 1878 at Farnham, Surrey. She married James Dobson on 26 February 1900 at Kings Norton, Birmingham. Mrs Bolter died in 1908 aged 29. My thanks to her great granddaughter Debra Flaherty for this information.
- ii. Robert Richard, born 2 June 1880 at Preston, Lancashire, who died in infancy the same year.

**Children of Robert and Katie (Wilson) Scudamore,**

- iii. Robert Charles Rex, born 16 April 1887 in Quetta, India. He enlisted on 23 July 1915 as a motor driver in the Army Service Corps. He went to France in September 1915 but was invalided home two months later. Between May 1916 and September 1918 he served with British Forces in India. He travelled home in the autumn of 1918 and was admitted to Banstead Asylum with 'confusional insanity', 'aggravated' by his war service. He died on 27 March 1920 and is buried at West Norwood Cemetery. His medals were sent to his mother Mrs Katie Wilson of 34 Tulse Hill, Brixton.
- iv. Alfred Allen Victor, born 1 June 1888 in Quetta. He was a clerk before he enlisted at Hounslow on 10 September 1906 at the age of 18 years 3 months. In 1911 he was a Lance Corporal in the 2nd Battalion, The Prince Albert's Somersetshire Light Infantry at Saint Andrew's Barracks, Malta and then served in China around 1912 and 1913. He was discharged at his own request, having been granted a Commission in the 10th Battalion, Kings Own --- Light Infantry, in May 1915<sup>54</sup>. He married firstly Emily Jane Ward (born 1882, died 8 October 1939) in 1917. On his return from a trip to Canada in September 1923 aboard the *Montcalm*, he was returning to Tulse Hill, London. He married secondly Cora Spraggs (born 26 February 1891, and died his widow in 1971) in 1940. A schoolmaster, he died at Westcliffe-on-Sea, Essex, on 7 July 1963, aged 75 and without issue.
- v. George Prince Mountford, born 24 October 1890 in Karachi. A Lance Corporal in the Kings Own Regiment. He was a 2nd Lieutenant in the Royal Lancashire Regiment in World War I and was killed at Ypres in May 1915.
- vi. Katie Eileen, born 12 January 1894 in Lancaster. A cashier in a provisions store. She died unmarried at Lambeth, London, on 18 October 1987.
- vii. Grace Miriam Honora, born 13 August 1897 in Camberley, Surrey. She did not marry and died in 1974 aged 77.

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<sup>53</sup> The work of the late John Selwyn Hunt.

<sup>54</sup> War Office Documents at the National Archives.

## SEVENTH GENERATION

**104. FREDERICK<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1863Q1 in Winterbourne, baptised Fred on 22 March 1863, was a son of George [55] and Sophia (Maggs) Skidmore. He appears to be the Fred Skidmore who married Mary Hayward (born about 1865, daughter of William Hayward, a collier) on 28 September 1884 at All Saints, Winterbourne Down. Jesse Turner and Ellen Hayward were witnesses. An agricultural labourer like his father, he lived at Harcomb's Hill, Winterbourne. At some point in the 1890s he became a mason's labourer and his wife and daughters were tailors, working at their home. Mrs Skidmore and her daughter Alice continued to live at Winterbourne Down and were sewing machinists in 1911, making trousers in a wholesale clothing factory.

**Children of Frederick and Mary (Hayward) Skidmore, born and baptised at Winterbourne Down,**

- i. Elizabeth Ellen, born about 1884. Called Pattie in the census of 1901. She appears to be the Edith Ellen Skidmore (who was 27 and born at Winterbourne Down), a servant in Redland Park at the time of the 1911 census.
- ii. Florence Mary, born 1886Q1, baptised 16 April 1886. She married Charles Edward Petrie, a labourer (born about 1884, son of Edward Petrie, labourer) at Frampton Cotterell on 12 May 1906, witnessed by Ernest William Petrie and her sister Alice. They lived at Winterbourne Down.
- iii. Alice Victoria, born 7 May (baptised 5 August) 1888.

**105. CHARLES<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of George [55] and Sophia (Maggs) Skidmore, was born in 1865Q4 in Winterbourne and baptised 11 February 1866. He married Minnie Bryant (born about 1866Q2 in Coleford, Somerset, apparently a daughter of Azariah Bryant, a coal miner, and his wife Elizabeth (?Ashman)) in 1890Q2 in Frome registration district. At the time of the 1891 census they were working at the home of clergyman Henry Stewart of South End House, Hursley, Hampshire - Charles as coachman, his wife a housemaid. He remained a coachman and when Rev. Stewart moved to South End House, Pokesdown, Hampshire, Charles and his young family moved to 151 Parkwood Road there.

By 1911 they were living with their two younger sons at Helvetia West Road, Boscombe Park, Hampshire. Mr Skidmore was a coachman at Bath Hotel.

**Children of Charles and Minnie (Bryant) Skidmore,**

- i. Harold Bryant, born 1891Q4 in Lyndhurst, Hampshire.
- ii. Frederick Maxwell, born 20 February 1894 in Harlesden, Middlesex. A book binder in 1911. He served a gunner with the Royal Field Artillery in WW1. Mr Skidmore died in 1983 aged 89, in the Bournemouth area, apparently unmarried.
175. iii. Edward Victor, born 19 June 1897 in Lyndhurst, Hampshire. He married in 1932 and died in 1977 aged 80 in Dorset. A daughter.

**106. ALBERT<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1868Q2 in Winterbourne, baptised 10 May 1868 at St Michael's there, was a son of George [55] and Sophia (Maggs) Skidmore. He is perhaps the young man from Winterbourne who (giving his age as 21) was boarding in 1891 in Penmaen hamlet, Mynyddyslwyn, Monmouthshire, a stone quarryman. William Shepherd from Bedminster was head of household and other men from Winterbourne were boarding there too.

He appears to have married Mary Ann Hayman on 18 September 1897 at Bridgerule, Devon. She was born in Poundstock, Cornwall, daughter of labourer Thomas Hayman. She gave her name as Maud at the times of the 1901 and 1911 censuses and is perhaps the 4-year old Maud Hayman living in 1881 in Higher Penhallum, Jacobstow, Cornwall with her parents Thomas Hayman, an agricultural labourer, and Mary Ann.

At the time of the 1901 census Albert Skidmore, then a navy, was living with his family in Hambrook, Mangotsfield, Gloucestershire. During the 1900s they lived in Barnstaple and Ilfracombe and in 1911 Maud Skidmore and her children were housed in the Barnstaple Union Workhouse and Cottage Homes in Barnstaple.

The death of Maud M. Skidmore was registered at Barnstaple in 1952 aged 75.

**Children of Albert and Maud (Hayman) Skidmore,**

- i. Stanley Thomas H., birth registered in 1896Q4 as *Hayman*, called *Skidmore* and said in the 1901 census to have been born in Bridge Row (?Bridge Rule), Devon. He was a cow boy on a farm in Somers Hiscote, Tawstock, Barnstaple in 1911. He died in 1962 aged 65.
- ii. Rosina Edith May, baptised 28 August 1898Q at All Saints, Winterbourne Down, daughter of Albert, labourer of Winterbourne Down, and *Maud*. She married in 1920.
- iii. Albert Charles, born in Hambrook, on 19 August 1900 according to his death registration in 1972 in West Glamorgan. No marriage yet found.
- iv. Ivy May, born about 1905 in Barnstaple. She married in 1926.
- v. Henry Leonard, born 1908Q1 in Ilfracombe. He died in 1920 aged 12.
- vi. Hilda V, registered as Hilda in 1910Q1, born in Ilfracombe. She married in 1931.
- vii. Edward F./ Frank E., born February or March 1911 in Barnstaple, died there in 1951 aged 40.

**107. EDWIN SKIDMORE alias EDWARD<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, reportedly aged 32 in 1911 and born in Winterbourne, appears to be the Edwin Skidmore born in 1876Q2, baptised 13 August 1876 at St Michael's, Winterbourne, son of George [55] and Sophia (Maggs) Skidmore. Called Edward in the censuses of 1891 and 1901. An excavator on the railway in 1901.

He married Mary Jane Colborn (born 1879Q4 in Iron Acton, daughter of John Colborn, a stone cutter of Clay Lane, and his wife Eliza) in 1906Q2 in the Chipping Sodbury registration district. By the time of the 1911 census he was a horse driver and groom, living with his wife and children at Rouncival Street, Chipping Sodbury.

Edward Skidmore died in Sodbury registration district in 1945 aged 68.

**Children of Edward and Mary Jane (Colborn) Skidmore,**

- i. Florence Beatrice, born 1906Q2 in Iron Acton. She married in 1930.  
and born in Chipping Sodbury,
- ii. Stella Grace, born 1907Q3.
- iii. Edward John, born 1 July 1909. Died 1992.
- iv. Harold, born around 18 June 1910. Died 1994, aged 83.
- v.-vi. 2 further sons.

**109. HARRY<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Henry [56] and Mary (Maggs) Skidmore, was baptised on 13 August 1865 at All Saints, Winterbourne Down. He was baptised and married as Harry Skidmore but is called Henry in some censuses. He worked at the Swan Inn, Winterbourne before his marriage at St Michael's, Winterbourne on 23 July 1888 to Clara Player, a near neighbour of his uncle George Skidmore. She was born in 1864Q2 in Quarry Barton, Hambrook, daughter of John Player, an agricultural labourer, and his wife Ann. Alfred Jones and Elizabeth Skidmore, Harry's sister, were witnesses; they married on the same day.

At the time of the 1891 census he was a plasterer living at Quarry Barton. Around 1895 they moved to Frampton Cotterell, where their home in 1901 appears to have been in the area of Northwoods House. By 1911 the family was at Watley's End, Winterbourne. Henry Skidmore aged 59 of Watley's End was buried at St Michael's, Winterbourne on 16 October 1924. His wife died in 1923 aged 59.

**Children of Harry and Clara (Player) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne,**

- i. Parker Allen, born 1889Q2. He lived with his maternal grandparents and later his aunt Harriet Ann (Player) Miles at Quarry Barton. He worked for a market gardener and married, on 29 April 1911 at White's Hill Chapel, Winterbourne, Mary Corbett. He was a postman at the time he enlisted into the Royal West Kents on 18 April 1916. He left England in January 1917 and in July 1917 was awarded the Military Medal for acts of gallantry in the field. He was captured at Cambrai at the end of November 1917 and was a prisoner in Dulmen Prisoner of War Camp in Germany. He was repatriated in January 1919. Mr Skidmore died in 1965 aged 76.
176. ii. **ARTHUR EDGAR<sup>8</sup>**, born 1891Q1. A domestic gardener in 1911, he appears to have become a collier in Teryberth and married in Gelligaer, Glamorgan in 1919. He died in 1977.
- iii. Ida Jane, born 1892Q2. A sewing machinist in a wholesale tailoring factory in 1911. She married in 1914.
- iv. Harry, a twin, born 1895Q4.
- v. John, a twin, born 1895Q4.

- vi. Millicent, born 1902Q4. She married in 1924.
- vii. A child who did not survive.

**110. GEORGE<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1871Q1 at Winterbourne and three months old on census night April 2nd, was a son of John [57] and Elizabeth (Merrick) Skidmore. I have so far been unable to find George and his cousin William [109] in the census of 1891. A stone quarryman, he married Lillie Mary Tanner on 19 April 1897 at St Saviour, Coalpit Heath. She was born about 1872 in Westerleigh, daughter of Alfred Tanner, a coal miner of Coalpit Heath, and his wife Jane.

George and Lillie Skidmore were living in Nicholas Lane, Winterbourne in 1901 but by 1911 he had become a coal miner and the family had moved to 38 Hanbury Street, Glan Nant, Pengam, Glamorganshire.

**Children of George and Lillie Mary (Tanner) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne, baptised at St Michael's,**

- i. Millicent Blanche, born 8 May (baptised 30 July) 1899. She married in 1928.
- 177. ii. **THOMAS ALFRED<sup>8</sup>**, born 12 December 1900, baptised 3 March 1901. He married in 1925.
- iii. Frank, born 12 October (baptised 30 November) 1902.
- iv. Norah May, born 15 September 1903, baptised 12 June 1904.
- v. Reginald George, born 1908Q3 in Pengam.
- 178. vi. **LESLIE O.<sup>8</sup>**, born 1912Q2. He married in 1931.
- vii. Lillie G., born 1915Q1. She died later that year.

**112. JOHN<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 11 February 1882 and baptised on 9 April at St Michael's, Winterbourne, was a son of John [57] and Elizabeth (Merrick) Skidmore. John was a horse driver in 1901, perhaps on the same farm at which his father was a carter or perhaps the local colliery.

He married Madeline Edwards of Winterbourne, (born 1878Q2, daughter of George Edwards, a quarryman, and his wife Jane), on 2 April 1904 at St Michael's there. The witnesses were Charles Rodman and Bessie Skidmore. By the time of the 1911 census, Mr Skidmore had become a coal miner and their home was at Crossley Cottages in Winterbourne.

**Children of John and Madeline (Edwards) Skidmore, baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne,**

- i. Ivy May, born 15 July (baptised 18 September) 1904. She married in 1927.
- ii. Elsie Rosina (her birth and death were registered as such), baptised and buried as Elois Rosina Skidmore. She was born 21 May (baptised 25 July) 1906 and died at the age of 4, buried at Winterbourne on 1 October 1910.
- iii. Ada Vera Jane, born 23 February (baptised 26 May) 1909. She married in 1931.
- iv. Dennis Graham John, born 23 February (baptised 30 April) 1911. He married in 1943.
- v. Percy Reginald, a twin, born 5 May (baptised 3 July) 1913. He died at 8 weeks and was buried along with his twin on 9 July.
- vi. Dulcie Rosina, twin to Percy Reginald. Died at 8 weeks.
- 179. vii. **BERTRAM GEORGE<sup>8</sup>**, baptised 11 April 1915. He married in 1941.

**113. EDWARD<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, a stone quarry worker, was born around February 1881 at Tidenham, Gloucestershire, a son of William [59] and Mary (Shaw) Skidmore. He married Maud Mary Willey on 14 December 1903 at Woodstock, Chepstow, according to a private submission to the IGI which also names her parents as William and Eliza (Horner) Willey. She was born in Honiton, Devon, her birth apparently that registered at Chard in 1884Q2. The census of 1891, when this family were in the parish of Upottery, Devon, shows her birthplace as Yarcombe, which is between Honiton and Chard.

Edward and Maud Skidmore were living by 1911 at Stoulgrove Lane, Woodcroft, Chepstow, at which time Mr Skidmore was a quarryman working for Richardson & Son.

**Children of Edward and Maud Mary (Willey) Skidmore, born in Chepstow,**

- 180. i. **ALBERT WILLIAM<sup>8</sup>**, born 1905Q1. He married in 1929.
- ii. Daisy Olga Maud, born 1906Q1.
- 181. iii. **EDWARD GEORGE<sup>8</sup>**, born 1908Q1. He married in 1928.
- iv. Cicely Emma, born 1910Q2. She married in 1927.
- 182. v. **BERNARD<sup>8</sup>**, born 1912Q2. He married in 1937.
- 183. vi. **HAROLD J.<sup>8</sup>**, born 1914Q2. He married in 1934.

vii.-x. 3 further sons and a daughter.

**114. WILLIAM<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, whose birth was registered in 1873Q4 as Willie Skidmore, was the son of Ann Skidmore the daughter of George [27]. He was baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne on 14 September 1873.

He appears to have married Sarah Ann Monk (born about 1874 in Winterbourne, daughter of William Monk) on 2 August 1897 at Christ Church, Downend. Like his supposed half-brother Henry Pullin, William was a quarryman and was living at the time of the 1901 census at The Street, Winterbourne. His wife and children were living at 74 Lawn Road, Fishponds, Bristol by about 1905. Mr Skidmore was away at the time of the 1911 census building houses in Port Talbot.

Mrs Skidmore's could be the death at the age of 38 registered at Bristol in 1913Q1.

**Children of William and Sarah Ann (Monk) Skidmore, born in Winterbourne, baptised at St Michael's,**

- i. Gertrude Hannah, born 28 October 1898, baptised 20 November 1898 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol.
- ii. William Frederick, born 10 January (baptised 26 February) 1899.
- iii. Kathleen, born 10 September (baptised 7 October) 1900. She died in Bristol in 1911Q3 aged 11.
- iv. Walter Harry, born about 1904. He married in 1933 and died in 1945 aged 41.
- v. Herbert Charles, born 1910Q3. He died in Bristol in 1912Q3 aged 2.

**115. JOHN<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1854Q1 in Long Ashton, Somerset, was a son of Hester Skidmore, the daughter of John [29] and Ellen (Parsloe) Skidmore. He was raised by his maternal grandparents in Long Ashton and was a railway engine cleaner at the time of the 1871 census. He married Maria Beacham (born 1853Q4 in Long Ashton, daughter of Richard Beacham, an agricultural labourer, and his wife Sarah) in 1875Q1. By 1881 he was a dairyman living at Headley House, Bedminster and he and his wife later ran their business from their home at 17 Mansfield Road, Bedminster. Maria Skidmore died in Long Ashton in 1926 aged 72.

**Children of John and Maria (Beacham) Skidmore, born at Bishopsworth, Somerset,**

- i. Wilfred John, baptised 20 April 1877 at St John's, Bedminster. He died in 1878Q1.
186. ii. **WILLIAM JOHN<sup>8</sup>**, registered in 1881Q2 but said to be 2 months old on census night, April 5th. I believe he was enumerated in the 1901 census as William *Saitmone*, when he was a collier boarding with the Brooks family at 40 Glyngwyn Street, Mountain Ash, Glamorganshire.

He appears to have married Catherine Selby (born about 1886 in Bristol) in 1908Q1 in Pontypridd. They were living in 1911 at 25 Victoria Street, Llanbradach, Glamorganshire, where he was a collier. The death of Catherine Skidmore aged 71 was registered at East Glamorgan in 1958.

**Children of William John and Catherine (Selby) Skidmore, born in Wales,**

- i. Kate, born about 1909, perhaps Kathleen Ellen registered at Pontypridd in 1908Q4.
- ii. Annie, born about 1910.
- iii. William H. J., born 1913Q2.
- iv. Edward E., born 1915Q1.
- v.-vii. A further son and 2 daughters.
- iii. Bessie Maria, born 1889Q1. She married Sidney F. Blackmore, an insurance agent (born about 1884 in Dundry, Somerset) in 1910Q4 in Bristol. They were living at Greyfield Villa, Bishopsworth Common in 1911.
- iv. Ellen Sarah, born 1890Q1, called Eleanor in the 1891 census. In service in 1911 and living with her mother.
- v. Edward Charles, born 29 January 1895. A young man at Kingswood Reformatory School in 1911. He served in WW1 with the Dorsetshire Regiment and also the Somerset Light Infantry. He died in 1970 aged 75.
- vi. Lilian Mildred, born 1896Q4. A cigarette packer in 1911.

**115c. ALFRED EDWARD<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, of Haydon Bridge, Hexham, was born at Breinton, Herefordshire in 1858Q4, the elder son of Richard George [59d] and Ann (Davies) Skidmore. He married firstly in 1887Q2 Mary Ann Reay (born about 1862 in Hart Barn, Northumberland) and was innkeeper at the Commercial Inn, Blanchland, Northumberland in 1891.

Mrs Scudamore died in 1896 aged 35 and he married secondly, in 1899Q4 at St John the Baptist, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Annie Nicholson (born about 1867 in Haltwhistle, Northumberland). A plasterer, he was living with his family in 1901 at Jubilee Terrace, Haltwhistle. He died in 1938.

**Children of Alfred Edward and Mary Ann (Reay) Scudamore,**

- i. Lucy, born 1888Q1. She died in 1913 aged 25.
- ii. Alfred, born 1889Q4. He died early in 1891.
- iii. Jean, born 1891Q3. She married John Spark in 1915 and had three daughters and a son.
- 186a. iv. HENRY ALAN, born 1893Q3. He married Margaret Stobart in 1926 at Hexham. Mr Scudamore died on 18 November 1960. Two sons, Alan and Eric.

**115d. PERCIVAL GEORGE<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1870Q2 at Corbridge, was a son of Richard George [59d] and Ann (Davies) Scudamore. He was at the time of the 1891 census a coachman for the Grand Hotel in Tynemouth, Northumberland. He married about 1896 Ann Weedy (born about 1871 in Guisborough, North Yorkshire) and they were living by 1901 at 75 Ethel Street, Benwell, Northumberland. He then took his business to Newcastle upon Tyne, where he and his family were boarders in 1911 in the home of school attendance officer William Henry Hawker in East Parade.

Ann Scudamore, together with her sons Harry and Walter, arrived in Victoria, Australia aboard the Paparoa on 2 December 1912. Nothing further presently known.

**Children of Percival George and Ann (Weedy) Scudamore,**

- i. Alfred Henry B., born at Haltwhistle, Northumberland, 1897. He died in infancy the same year.
- ii. Richard George, born at Newcastle 1898Q4, who died in infancy the following year.
- iii. Harry, born 1901Q3. He died in Morn Hill, Victoria in 1983.
- iv. Walter, born 28 September 1903.
- v. Gilbert, born 1908, who died in infancy the same year.

**117. WILLIAM EDWARD<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1862Q4 in Blaenavon, Monmouthshire, was a son of William [63] and Eunice Sarah (Brain) Skidmore. A coal miner, he married in 1887Q2 Virginia Bird. She was born in Sedgley, Staffordshire and registered Vergina Bird in 1864Q3, daughter of James Bird, blacksmith. Her father moved before 1867 with his wife Eliza (Potts) and children to Worksop, Nottingham, then around 1870 to Llanelly, Breconshire and, around 1891, to Abertillery, Monmouthshire.

Edward Skidmore (as he was called in the censuses of 1891 and later) lived with his family in Abertillery, firstly at 1 Division Street and, by 1901 when he was running his own grocery shop, at 32 Church Street. His wife died in 1908Q1 aged 42 and by the time of the 1911 census the family were at 162 Richmond Road, Sixbells and Mr Skidmore had become a coal miner. He died in 1933 aged 70.

**Children of William Edward and Virginia (Bird) Skidmore, born in Abertillery,**

- i. Eunice, born 1887Q4 at Cwmtillery, called Winnie in the 1891 census. She married Richard Perkins, a coal miner (born about 1881 in Whorlton, Shropshire) in 1910Q3 and they were living at the time of the 1911 census at 40 Jubilee Road, Bedwellty.
- ii. Gwladys, born 1889Q4. She died in 1893Q3 aged 3.
- iii. Olive, born about 1892. She married William J. Thomas in 1913 and had children.
- iv. Eliza Maud, born 1895Q1. She married in 1924.
- v. Frederick James, born 1897Q2.
- vi. Berkley Brain, born 1901Q2. He married in 1928. He died in 1965 aged 64.
- vii. Arthur, born 8 November 1904. He died in 1985 aged 80.
- viii. & ix. 2 further children who did not survive.

**118. JOSEPH SAMUEL<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, known in America as **SAMUEL JOSEPH SKIDMORE**, was born in Bitton, Gloucestershire, the son of Joseph [64] and Sarah (Sweet) Skidmore. His birth was registered in 1862Q2, though his American documents give his birth in March 1861. He followed his uncle Thomas to Canandaigua, Ontario County, New York where he was a clerk in a shoe store in 1880. In 1900 he was a lodger (and a widower with a young son) with Mrs Eva A. Parmele at 63 Balmforth Avenue in Danbury, Fairfield County, Connecticut. He was then employed as a hat blocker, and married Mrs Parmele about 1901. They had moved by 1910 to Norwalk, Connecticut, where he was employed as a hatter in a felt hat factory. They lived at 10 Winsfield Street in Norwalk, and were there at the same address in 1930.

**A child of Samuel Joseph Skidmore by his first wife,**

- i. Thomas or Thomas Samuel, born in June 1891 in Connecticut. He was living in 1910, a box maker. He is perhaps the factory worker, unmarried who gave his age as 45, rooming on Prospect Avenue, Brooklyn, New York City in 1930.

**119. CHARLES<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1859Q2 in St George, Bristol, baptised 19 June at SS Philip & Jacob, was a son of Thomas [66] and Celia (Tyler) Skidmore. A boot rivetter, he married Emma Hayden (born perhaps 1860Q1, daughter of John Hayden) on 31 October 1880 at St Luke's, Barton Hill. She lived with her parents - John and Emma Hayden - at first in St Philip's, Bristol then in the 1860s in Bridgewater, Somerset (her father's home town) before returning by 1871 to Aiken Street, St George's, Bristol, when her father was a labourer in a brick yard. Charles and Emma Skidmore lived at Bright Street, St George's and later Prattens Court, Little Ann Street, St Phillip's, Bristol.

Charles enlisted with the 4th Bn, the Somerset Light Infantry on 3 July 1891. He served in the 2nd Boer War of 1899-1902<sup>55</sup>. At the time of the 1901 census, Mrs Skidmore was living with their younger children at 9 Phoenix Street. They were reunited by 1911 and living at 8 Newbridge Road, Brislington, Bristol. Mrs Skidmore was then a forewoman at the Great Western Cotton Co., where her daughters Elizabeth and Celia were winders. Mr Skidmore died at Bristol in 1927 aged 68. His wife's was perhaps the death at Bristol registered in 1942 aged 83 (see also Emma Skidmore who died in Bristol in 1943 aged 85).

**Children of Charles and Emma (Hayden) Skidmore, born in St George,**

- i. Emma, born 3 February 1881 at Bright Street and baptised on 27 February at SS Philip & Jacob. Called Emily in the census of 1901, a cotton spinner boarding in Gt Western Lane, Bristol. A laundry worker in 1911.
- ii. Edward, born 1882Q1. He enlisted on 19 January 1898 with the 3rd Gloucestershire Regiment. He was then a labourer living at 4 Tichborne Street. The name of his employer is difficult to read on his enlistment papers but could be Tinmock. He died on 15 May 1908 at Dalhousie, Bengal, India<sup>56</sup>.
- iii. Sarah Ann, born 1883Q4. She died at the age of 15 in 1898Q4.
191. iv. **JOHN<sup>8</sup>** [Jack], born 1885Q2 at Bush Street, Barton Hill, Bristol. A stable boy in 1901 but, with his brother Charles, a carter for Thomas Hill Timber Merchants in 1911. He enlisted on 24 August 1914 at Bristol and joined the Royal Field Artillery. He served in France from May 1915, where his skill with horses was put to use as a driver. His army records show he was B.A.C. (?Brigade Ammunition Column) with the 48th Brigade. He married in 1917 and had a son and a daughter.

**and born in St Jude's parish,**

- v. Charles, born 1889Q4, a twin, born in Ann Street, St Jude's, Bristol. A carter, he enlisted, on 12 December 1915 at Bristol, with what was to become the Labour Corps. He left for France on 3 October 1916 and served with 155th Labour Company<sup>57</sup>. His death was perhaps that registered at Bristol in 1946 aged 56.
- vi. Elizabeth, born 1889Q4, a twin.
- vii. Celia, born 1894Q2 in Phoenix Street. She married in 1918.
- viii. A further child who did not survive.

**120. GEORGE HENRY<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1861Q3 and baptised 1 September at St George, Bristol, was a son of Charles [67] and Mary Ann (Bird) Skidmore. He began his working life as a boot riveter and married Elizabeth Hares on 19 December 1886 at Emmanuel, Bristol. She appears to be the child whose birth was registered at Clifton in 1865Q3, born in St George's, daughter of David Hares, a labourer, and his wife Elizabeth.

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<sup>55</sup> British Army Service Records at findmypast.co.uk and UK Military Campaign Medal & Award Rolls 1793-1949 at Ancestry.co.uk.

<sup>56</sup> India, Select Deaths and Burials, 1719-1948 at Ancestry.com.

<sup>57</sup> The Labour Companies of the Labour Corps carried out a whole range of defence works duties in the UK and in overseas theatres, especially in France and Flanders. These included road and railway building/repair, moving ammunition and stores, loading and unloading ships and trains, burial duties and at home agriculture and forestry.

Kelly's Directory of 1889 lists George Henry Skidmore, boot maker & earthenware dealer at Redfield Road, St George. He was living with his family in 1891 close to his parents at 17 Victoria Place, St George, by which time he had become the sub-postmaster. By 1901 this family has moved to 213 Church Road (close to Mr Skidmore's father). He was then, in addition to being sub-postmaster, keeper of a stationery shop. He reported at the time of the 1911 census that he and his wife were divorced. Mr Skidmore died in 1918Q1 aged 56.

**Children of George Henry and Elizabeth (Hares) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. Lilian Maud, born 1888Q1. A school teacher.
- ii. Millicent Ida, born 1889Q3. She and her sister worked for the Post Office and assisted their father. She married in 1916.
- iii. Ella Constance, born 1890Q4. She married Sydney C. John in 1914.
- iv. Francis Reginald, baptised 30 November 1900 at St Matthew's, Moorfields, Bristol. He died in Victoria, Australia, aged 67.

**121. ARTHUR HENRY<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Joseph [68] and Mary Blanch (Legg) Skidmore, was born in 1871Q1 in the Fishponds/ Stapleton area of Bristol and baptised on 6 June at St Michael's, Two Mile Hill.<sup>58</sup> Known as Henry Skidmore, he became after his stepfather's death a boot finisher and lived with his aunt Mary Ann (Legg) Jones and family in Victoria Road, St George.

He married Sarah Taylor (born about 1873 in Bitton, daughter of Joseph Taylor) on 19 October 1891 at St Mary's, Bitton and they were living in 1901 at Lodge Hill, Fishponds, Bristol. Sarah Skidmore died in 1907 aged 34 and was buried 9 August at Holy Trinity, Kingswood. Mr Skidmore married secondly Annie Norris (born about 1870 in Bradford On Avon, Wiltshire) at Bradford on Avon in 1910Q4, and was living in 1911 at 12 Court Road, Kingswood, Bristol with his wife and three sons. He died in 1955 aged 84.

**Children of Arthur Henry and Sarah (Taylor) Skidmore,**

- i. Walter Harold Henry, born 25 February 1896 in Bitton. Ordinary Seaman Skidmore, service number J16034, was killed on 6 August 1914 by a mine explosion in the North Sea, serving with the Royal Navy aboard HMS *Amphion*<sup>59</sup>.
- ii. Albert Ledley, born in Fishponds and baptised 12 March 1899 at Holy Trinity, Kingswood. He died at Bristol in 1937 aged 38.
- iii. Ralph Joseph Taylor, born 1903Q2.

**121a. GEORGE HENRY<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, known as Henry, son of John [70] and Margaret (Morgan) Skidmore, was born in 1865Q3 in Bristol and baptised George Henry on 4 August at SS Philip & Jacob. His birth registration, which would have been at Barton Regis, has not been found.

He married Annie Poole (born 1865 in Bristol, daughter of William Poole) on 6 October 1888 at St Luke's, Barton Hill. They lived at the time of the 1891 census at 36 Aberdeen Street where he was a labourer in an iron works, and had moved by 1901, when his father lived with them, to 29 Beam Street. Henry Skidmore was then a pickler<sup>60</sup> in a galvanising works and his wife a stay trimmer. By 1911 they had moved to 4 Chapter Street, Moorfields, Bristol and Mr Skidmore was employed as a labourer in an iron works, his daughters in the tailoring trade.

**Children of Henry and Annie (Poole) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 27 November 1889 at St Silas, Bedminster and said to be 17 months old at the time of the census in April 1891.
- ii. [probably] Ernest, born and died in 1891Q4. Mrs Skidmore reported at the time of the 1911 census that she had a further child who did not survive.
192. iii. **ERNEST<sup>8</sup>**, born 30 November 1892, baptised 25 December at SS Philip and Jacob. An electric tram conductor in 1911, boarding in St George's with the family of another employee of the Bristol Tram Co. He appears to be the 22 year old, son of Henry Skidmore, who married Celia Cambridge

<sup>58</sup> He was said in the census of 1871, at the age of 3 months, to be 'deaf and dumb' though this would appear to have been an error and should have been entered against George Legg (next above on the census sheet), his mother's younger brother.

<sup>59</sup> Royal Navy & Royal Marine War Graves Roll 1914 -1919; Commonwealth War Graves.

<sup>60</sup> Hot dip galvanizing is a process that is used to coat iron or steel with a protective layer of zinc, giving it a long corrosion-free life. It typically involves putting the work pieces through a number of processes, including jiggling, degreasing in alkali, pickling in acid, fluxing, dipping in hot molten zinc and de-jigging.

(daughter of Shadrack Cambridge) on 9 May 1915 at Kingswood Independent Church, Bristol, and had sons. His death appears to be that registered at Keynsham in 1931, aged 38.

- iv. Minnie, born 1895Q4.

**122. ARTHUR<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of George [71] and Emma (Seysell) Skidmore, was born in 1860Q4 at Tredworth, Gloucester. He married Alice Elizabeth Mills (born 1864Q3 in Gloucester, daughter of Thomas Mills, a stonemason, and his wife Mary J. of Moor Street, Barton St Mary) on 4 December 1881 at St James, Gloucester. Their homes in the Barton St Mary area of Gloucester were in Moor Street (1891 census) and Victory Road (1901 census). Mrs Skidmore reported at the time of the 1911 census that eight of their (then) 17 children failed to survive into adulthood; this family suffered the tragedy of losing four of their children (reason unknown) at the beginning of 1896.

Mr Skidmore was a deal porter between Price Walker timber yard and the Gloucester docks. He died in 1916Q3 aged 56, his wife in 1921Q2 aged 59.

**Children of Arthur and Alice Elizabeth (Mills) Skidmore,**

- i. Alice Elizabeth, born 1882Q1. She married Ernest Larne Martin, a baker (born about 1882 in Gloucester, son of baker Thomas Martin) on 10 November 1900 at St Mark's, Gloucester and they were living in 1901 at 65 Alvin Street with their 2-month old son Thomas.
193. ii. **GEORGE ARTHUR<sup>8</sup>**, born 1883Q4. A labourer in 'Step Works (wood)' in 1901. He married in 1915 and died at Gloucester in 1948 aged 64.
194. iii. **CHARLES FREDERICK<sup>8</sup>**, born 1885Q1, registered Charley Frederick and called Charles W. in the 1891 census. A butcher's assistant in 1901. Charles Frederick Skidmore married Emily Melhuish in Gloucester in 1906Q4 and was a dock labourer in 1911, living with his wife and sons at 54 Moor Street, Gloucester. Charles F. Skidmore died in 1912Q2 aged 27.

**Children of Charles Frederick and Emily (Melhuish) Skidmore,**

- i. **CHARLES ARTHUR E.<sup>9</sup>**, born 1907Q4. He married in 1936.
- ii. Thomas, born about 1909.
- iv. Edith Mary, 1886Q3. She died in 1896Q1 aged 9.
- v. Rose, born 1888Q1. She died aged 7 around the same time as her sister Edith.
- vi. Alfred William, born 1889Q4. He died aged 6 around the same time as his older sisters.
- vii. [presumably] Albert Thomas, born 1891Q4, died aged 4 in 1896.
- viii. [presumably] Fanny Bertha, born 1893Q2. Died 1893Q4.
195. ix. **FRANK<sup>8</sup>**, born 1896Q4. He died in 1964 aged 67. He married in 1920.
- x. Eliza, born 1898Q1. She married in 1918.
- xi. Florence Emily, born 1899Q2.
- xii. Bessie, born at the beginning of 1901, aged 11 weeks at census time of 31 March. She died in 1901Q4.
- xiii. Thomas Ernest, born 1902Q2.
- xv. [presumably] Doris Victoria, born and died in 1903Q4.
- xv. Fanny, born 1905Q1.
- xvi. [presumably] Kate, born 1906Q4. Died 1907Q1.
- xvii. Ernest William, born 6 December 1907. He died in 1978 aged 70.
- xviii. James, born 1912Q3.

**123. FREDERICK GEORGE<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1865 at Tredworth, was a son of George [71] and Emma (Seysell) Skidmore. He married Alice Brookes (born 1867Q3 in Gloucester) on 19 April 1889 at the Tyndale Independent Chapel, Gloucester. He and his wife were living at 12 Dainty Street in 1891 - and ran a fishmongers shop - at 83 Barton Street in 1901 and 4 Vicarage Road, Gloucester in 1911.

Mr and Mrs Skidmore both died at Gloucester in 1943.

**Children of Frederick George and Alice (Brookes) Skidmore,**

- i. Lily Annie M., born 1890Q1. She married in 1912.
- ii. Frederick William, born 1891Q4. In 1911 he was a clerk to the motor trade, boarding in Kensington, London.
- iii. Edith Kate, born 1894Q2. She married in 1919.

**124. WILLIAM<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of George [71] and Emma (Seysell) Skidmore, was born in 1869Q2 at Tredworth. He was a blacksmith, lodging at the time of the 1891 census with the family of his uncle William Brown (who married Mary Ann Skidmore) in Swindon, Wiltshire. He married Kate Haines (born 1869Q2 in Wroughton, Wiltshire, daughter of Frederick Haines, a boilermaker's labourer, and his wife Phillis) in 1895Q2 in the Swindon area.

William Skidmore was a wheelwright for the Great Western Railway works in Swindon and their home was at 64 Dean Street. Mrs Skidmore died in 1935 aged 66, her husband in 1943 aged 73.

**Children of William and Kate (Haines) Skidmore, born in Swindon,**

- i. Evelyn Kate, born 1896Q1. She married in 1933.
- ii. Doris Mabel, born 1898Q2.

**125. ALFRED HENRY<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of George [71] and Emma (Seysell) Skidmore, was born 1874 at Tredworth. He married Emily Harris (born 1875 in the Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire) on 22 July 1894 at St Catherine's, Gloucester. He was a blacksmith who made agricultural implements and their home was in Percy Street in 1901 and at 6 Windmill Parade, Gloucester by 1911. By the time that their son Edward enlisted in 1919 they had moved to 45 Foundry Road, Wellington, Shropshire.

Mr Skidmore died at Gloucester in 1943 aged 68.

**Children of Alfred Henry and Emily (Harris) Skidmore,**

- i. Reginald Charles, born 1895Q2. He was a Private based at Cowley Barracks, Oxfordshire in 1911. He served with the 2nd Battalion of the Rifle Brigade and died of wounds on 14 August 1917. He is buried in Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium. During the First World War, the village of Lijssenthoek was situated on the main communication line between the Allied military bases in the rear and the Ypres battlefields. Close to the Front, but out of the extreme range of most German field artillery, it became a natural place to establish casualty clearing stations.
- ii. Eveline May, born 1897Q2.
197. iii. **EDWARD VICTOR<sup>8</sup>**, 30 March 1901, called Leslie V. in the 1901 census. He was a stoker at the time he joined the Gloucestershire Regiment on 25 February 1919 at Shrewsbury, Shropshire. He was discharged, physically unfit, later that year. He married in 1920 and had three sons. He died in 1980 aged 79.
- iv. A further child who did not survive.

**126. ALFRED HENRY<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, wood machinist for a toy maker in Peckham, was born in 1877Q4 in Tredworth, Gloucestershire, a son of Alfred Henry [72] and Jane (Young) Skidmore. He married Lydia Draper (born 1878Q1 in Walworth, London, daughter of Trojan George Draper, a decorator, and his wife Susan Harriet (Broderick)) on 21 May 1899 at St Mary's, Newington and was living at 128 Lower Park Road, Camberwell in 1901. By 1911 their home, which they shared with Alfred's brother Horace Skidmore, was 51 Elcot Avenue, Peckham.

Alfred Skidmore enlisted at Camberwell on 11 December 1915, describing himself as a foreman millhand. He was assigned to the Army Service Corps. He was posted in October 1916 and compulsorily transferred to the 85th Training Reserve battalion in January 1917. He transferred to 2/8th Battalion of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment embarked at Folkestone in July 1917 for Boulogne. He was treated for gas poisoning at Abbeville in December 1917. He rejoined his regiment in April 1918 and again suffered gas poisoning in October that year, returning home in January after treatment.

We are grateful for information on Alfred and Lydia's children to descendant Gavin Skidmore.

**Children of Alfred Henry and Lydia (Draper) Skidmore, born in Peckham,**

- i. Ada Phyllis, born 1900Q1. She died in 1906Q4 aged six after falling from a garden swing.
198. ii. **FREDERICK GEORGE<sup>8</sup>**, born 16 April 1901, died 1983 in Hayes, Kent, aged 82. He married in 1927 and had issue.
- iii. Doris Lydia, born 1903Q3. She died aged 3 from measles, just six weeks after her sister.
- iv. Alfred Henry, born 25 July 1906. He died in 1985 aged 78.
- v. Gladys Grace, born 2 March 1909. She married in 1933.
- vi. Ernest A., born 1912Q1, died 1913 aged 1.
- vii. Marjorie Irene, born 24 February 1915.

**127. SYDNEY ERNEST<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Alfred Henry [72] and Jane (Young) Skidmore, was born in 1883Q2 in Tredworth, Gloucestershire. He moved with his family to Newington, London and in 1901 was a packer at the Stickphast [paste sticks] factory. After his marriage he lived at 27 Emmott Street, Stepney, London and his occupation is again given as an 'adhesive paste packer, for china and glass'.



He married in 1907Q4 Eliza Florence Moakes (born 1884Q2 in Stepney, apparently the daughter of Richard S. Moakes, a lighterman, and his wife Elizabeth E.). Mr Skidmore died in 1954 aged 71.

**Children of Sydney Ernest and Eliza Florence (Moakes) Skidmore, born in Stepney,**

- i. Sydney Richard, born 1908Q4.
- ii. Florence Elizabeth, born 1909Q4, died 1910Q1.
- iii. A further daughter.

**129. ALBERT EDWIN<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1872Q4, was a son of Edwin [73] and Amelia (Savage) Skidmore. A gas stoker, he married Mary Ann Provis (born 1876Q4 in Temple, Bristol, daughter of George Provis, a dock labourer, and his wife Mary A.) on 5 September 1897Q3 at St Luke's, Bedminster. They were living in Somerset Street, Redcliffe, Bristol in 1901, next to her parents. (The Skidmores' first child for some reason is not listed in this census).

Albert Skidmore died in Bristol in 1906 aged only 34 and was buried at St Mary Redcliffe on 8 October. His widow married secondly in 1908Q3 James Hillier, a traction engine driver for a brick and general hauliers (born about 1876 in Berkshire). They were living in 1911 at 18 Nelson Street, Bedminster Down, Bristol with children from both of their previous marriages.

**A son of Albert Edwin and Mary Ann (Provis) Skidmore,**

- i. Lily Amelia M., born 1898Q3. Not found in the census of 1901 but aged 12 in 1911. She married in 1921 in Bristol.
201. ii. **ALBERT EDWIN GEORGE<sup>8</sup>**, born in March 1901, registered as George in 1901Q3 and baptised 19 August 1904 at St Mary Redcliffe. He married in 1927 and had children.

**130. FREDERICK VALENTINE<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1874Q3 and baptised at Berkeley on 25 October, was a son of Edwin [73] and Amelia (Savage) Skidmore. He married Christina Ellen Stone in 1899Q3 and was a dock labourer, living at 2 Moreton Terrace, Newtown, Sharpness in 1901.

He died aged only 30 in 1905Q3. His widow married Frederick Greenwood, a dock labourer (born about 1875 at Wootton Under Edge) at Bristol in 1907Q1 and they continued to live in the Moreton Terrace home.

**Children of Frederick Valentine and Christina Ellen (Stone) Skidmore,**

- i. Frederick Edwin G., born 1899Q4. He died in 1903Q3 aged 3.
- ii. Rosina Ellen, born late 1900 or early 1901. She married in 1923.

**131. EPHRAIM<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Edwin [73] and Amelia (Savage) Skidmore, was baptised on 17 September 1876 at Berkeley, Gloucestershire. At first a dock labourer in Hinton with his older brothers, he married his cousin Harriet Kilmister (born 1883Q4 in Gloucester, daughter of Thomas and Harriet (Skidmore) Kilmister) on 31 March 1900 at St Mary's, Berkeley and they were living in Hill Road, Dursley, Gloucestershire in 1901, where he was a navy at the water works. By 1911 they had moved to Wanswell, Berkeley, where Mr Skidmore was a dock labourer. He died in 1958 aged 81.

**Children of Ephraim and Harriet (Kilmister) Skidmore,**

- i. Amelia Peninnah, born 1906Q2. She married in 1927 and died in 1989.
202. ii. **CLIFFORD FREDERICK<sup>8</sup>**, born 1908Q3. He married in 1934.
- iii. Edna Kathleen, born 8 June 1911. She married in 1934 and died in 1977 aged 66.
- iv.-vii. 3 more sons and 1 more daughter, all born after the war.

**132. CALEB<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Edwin [73] and Amelia (Savage) Skidmore, was born in 1882Q1 in Hinton, Gloucestershire. A carpenter, he married Blanch Maria Holbrow on 14 October 1905 at Rodborough, near Stroud, Gloucestershire. She was born in 1880Q3 in Bagpath, Gloucestershire, a daughter of Daniel Holbrow, a watchman at the Dye Works in Avening, and his wife Emily. Blanch Holbrow was in 1901 a servant at Bridge House, Berkeley to the family of Warren G. Smith who ran an outfitters and draper's shop.

Caleb Skidmore by 1911 was a general labourer at the 'Vitriol Manufactory' and was living with his wife and children at 3 Tycosh Terrace, Cwmbran, Monmouthshire. He died in 1940 aged 58.

**Children of Caleb and Blanche Maria (Holbrow) Skidmore,**

- i. Phyllis Evelyn, born 1907Q4. She married 1931.
- ii. Percy Edwin, born 7 July 1909. He died in 1990 aged 81.
- iii. Winifred O., born 1912Q3. She married in 1930.
- iv. Ivy L., born 1914Q3. She married in 1938.

**133. JAMES<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born about 1854 in St Pancras, was a son of Henry [75] and Ann Skidmore. An ironworks labourer, he married Mary Jane Masters (born about 1849 in Linkinhorne, Cornwall) on 15 June 1876 at St James the Great, Bethnal Green, London. They lived in Cordelia Street and later Kerbey Street, Bromley.

The death of Mary Jane Skidmore at the age of 54 was registered at Lambeth in 1901Q4. Her husband appears to be the James Skidmore whose death at the age of 64 was registered at Lambeth in 1921 though he has not yet been found in the 1901 and 1911 censuses.

**Children of James and Mary Jane (Masters) Skidmore,**

- i. Annie May, registered *Masters* in 1875Q4 at St Giles. The death of Annie May *Skidmore* at the age of 6 years was registered at West Ham in 1882Q3.
204. ii. **HERBERT<sup>8</sup>**, born 1877Q1 in St Pancras. A railway labourer, he married Edith Jane Gaston (born 1875Q1 in Brighton, Sussex, perhaps the daughter of Henry Gaston, a plasterer, and his wife Jane) in 1899Q1 in Lambeth registration district. They were living in 1901 at 24 Southville and by 1911 at 134 Larkhall Lane, Clapham. He died in 1923 aged 46.

**A son of Herbert and Edith Jane (Gaston) Skidmore,**

- i. Percy Herbert, born 18 August 1899. Percy's school records shows how his father's changes of employment, and hence presumably of tied accommodation, affected Percy's early schooling. His father was a labourer of 5 Crimsworth Road at the time that Percy entered Springfield Road Infants School, Lambeth in May 1903. He remained there until July 1904, when the family moved away from the neighbourhood of the school<sup>61</sup>. He transferred to Santley Street School and their new home was at 89 Cottage Grove. Another house move only four months later to 44 Silverthorne Road necessitated a transfer to Telferscot Road School, where he remained until 1906.  
His Royal Air Force records show that he was employed before enlistment in trimming cartridge cases. He joined on 11 February 1918 and was an electrician until his discharge on 17 June 1919.  
He is perhaps the Percy H. Skidmore who died in 1957 in the Thanet registration district of Kent.
- ii. Edith May, born 1901Q4. She appears to have married in 1927.
- iii. **ARTHUR JAMES<sup>9</sup>**, born 17 June 1905. He appears to have married in 1932 and had children. He died in 1980 aged 75.
205. iii. **JAMES<sup>8</sup>**, born 31 December 1884 in Poplar. He joined the Navy on 13 October 1903 and served aboard HMS Pembroke and Albermarle until 1908, when he transferred to Chatham. He served again for the duration of WW1.  
In 1909Q4 he married Helen Agnes Hobday (called Agnes Nellie in the census of 1911, born about 1887 in Battersea, London) and was boarding in 1911 with the family of William Helen and Harriet Amy Hobday at 11 Rozel Road, Clapham.  
Children, as known, a son and a daughter.

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<sup>61</sup> London, England, School Admissions and Discharges, 1840-1911.

**134. WILLIAM GEORGE<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1869Q2 in St Pancras, was a son of Henry [75] and Ann Skidmore. A window cleaner, he married Rose Annie E. Cattermole of 34 Gainsford Court (born 1866Q4 in Islington, daughter of John Christopher Cattermole) on 2 April 1899 at All Saints, Battle Bridge, Islington. Charles William Cattermole and Annie Shepherd were witnesses. They were living in 1901 at 15 Thornhill Bridge Place and by 1911 at 35 Pulteney Street, Islington.

Mrs Skidmore appears to be the Rose Skidmore whose death at the age of 69 was registered at Islington in 1932. Her husband died in 1940 aged 72.

**A child of William George and Rose Annie E. (Cattermole) Skidmore,**

- i. George William, born 1900Q1 in Islington.
- ii. William John, born 1902Q2 in Islington. His was perhaps the death at the age of 53 registered in Islington in 1955.
- iii. Ernest, born 1903Q3 in Hackney.

**135. DANIEL CHARLES<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born in 1853Q3 in London and baptised on 21 February 1858 at Holy Trinity, Kingsway, Holborn, was a son of Daniel Charles [77] and Jane Elizabeth (Lockwood) Skidmore. His changes of occupation seem bizarre; he was a plumber in 1871 living in the home of his mother and stepfather Charles Rose in Eagle Street, Bloomsbury. He was a gold beater of St James, Holloway at the time he married Louisa Baxter (born about 1854 in Offord, Huntingdonshire, daughter of James Baxter, farmer) on 7 October 1877 at St James', Holloway, Islington. Charles Lockwood, Elizabeth Skidmore and Rosetta Baxter were witnesses. Daniel and Louisa Skidmore were living at the time of the 1881 census at 483 Liverpool Road, Islington, when he was a dairy milk carrier. Mrs Skidmore died aged 30 in 1884Q4, her death registered in Kensington.

I have not been able to find Daniel's second marriage. He was a house painter, living in 1891 at 7 Sardinia Street, St Clement Danes, with Edith (recorded as Emma in this census, born about 1863 in Lambeth) and in 1901 at 3 Newman's Row, Bloomsbury. His death registration has not been found but Edith Skidmore, an office cleaner, was a widow in 1911, living with the youngest three of her four children at 133 St Albans Buildings, Grays Inn Road, Holborn, London.

**Children of Daniel Charles and Louisa (Baxter) Skidmore, born in Islington,**

- i. Louisa Jane, born 1878Q1. Not found at home in the 1891 census. She appears to be the child (whose birthplace is given as Hornsey) who was in 1891 a general domestic servant in the home of William H. and Mary A. Husson at 13 & 14 Stanhope Street, St Clement Danes. She married Edgar Beazley, a gas and hot water fitter (born about 1875 in Southwark) in 1898Q2 and they were living in 1901 in Muriel Street, Islington with their son Frederick.
- ii. Charles Daniel, born 1879Q3. A painter's labourer in 1901. He died in 1908Q4 aged 29.
- iii. Elizabeth Annie, born about February 1881. Said in 1911 to have been born in Bow Street. She and her sister were in dormitory accommodation for Rackshams? above shops in Park Street, Islington in 1911, Elizabeth a scullery maid. She married in 1911Q3.

**Children of Daniel Charles and Edith Skidmore, born in Westminster,**

- v. Emily Annie, born about 1888 in Bloomsbury. Said to be 10 in 1891. Apparently recorded in error as Ellen in 1901. A housemaid, living in Park Street, Islington in 1911 with her sister Elizabeth. She married in 1917.
- vi. Elsie, born 1892-93 in Lincolns Inn Fields. She died in 1934 aged 41.
- vii. Albert, born in Clare Market, Westminster, perhaps Albert George born 1894Q3.
- viii. Ethel Florence V., born 1897Q3 in Lincolns Inn Fields. She married in 1922.

**136. JAMES JOHN<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Daniel Charles [77] and Jane Elizabeth (Lockwood) Skidmore, was born in 1857Q3 in Bloomsbury and baptised at the same time as his older siblings on 21 February 1858. He was a printer compositor of 127 Cromwell Road when he married Rose Offer of 127 Stamford Street (born about 1864 in Etchfont, Wiltshire, daughter of Jasper Offer, gardener) on 2 October 1887 at St John the Evangelist, Islington. Witnesses were Walter Gray and Mary Gray.

They lived in Islington, in St James' Road (1891) Park Street (1901) and at 54 Albion Grove (1911). He died in 1928 aged 71, his wife in 1932 aged 69.

**Children of James John and Rose (Offer) Skidmore,**

- i. Fanny Rose, born 1888Q1 in St Pancras. She died unmarried in 1966 aged 78.
- ii. Lilian Mary, born 1889Q4 in Bloomsbury.
- iii. Frank Victor, born 1892Q2 in Islington. A clerk, he enlisted on 6 December 1915 at London with the Royal Engineers. He was clerk to the army in Etaples, France before moving in 1919 to Headquarters at Amiens. He appears to have married in 1931 in Marylebone district and died in 1946 aged 54.
- iv. Dorothy Ida, born 1894Q2 in Islington.

**137. JAMES DANIEL<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1856Q1 in Bethnal Green, was a son of James [78], perhaps by his wife Mary Ann Elizabeth (Tether). A vellum account book binder of Rackingham Street at the time of his marriage to Jane Elizabeth Marshall on 14 April 1881 at Holy Trinity, Newington. The witnesses were John Stevens and James' sister Annie Sarah. Jane Marshall was born in Herne Bay, Kent, apparently registered in 1856Q3 in Blean registration district, daughter of Samuel Marshall (who had died before her birth) and his wife Phyllis. She was living shortly before her marriage with the family of her sister Louisa Stevens in Snowfields, Southwark.

James and Jane Skidmore lived in Southwark, at 136 Scovell Road in 1891 and 8 Winchester Cottages in 1901. By the time of the 1911 census they had moved to 49 Mayall Road, Brixton. Mrs Skidmore reported in this census that she had borne 10 children, of whom five survived. She died in 1919 aged 61.

**The children of James Daniel and Jane Elizabeth (Marshall) Skidmore, registered in St Olave district,**

- i. Jane Elizabeth, born 1881Q4. A military accoutrements maker in 1901. She married William Charles Hagon, a printing machine minder (born about 1883 in Newport, Monmouthshire) in 1907Q1 and was living in 1911 at 47 Cridenhill Street, Streatham.
- ii. Emily Louisa, born 1883Q2 in Bermondsey. A vellum book binder.
- 209. iii. **EDWARD JOHN<sup>8</sup>**, born 1886Q3 in Bermondsey. He married Emily B. Bateman in 1913. He was a private in the 8th (King's Royal Irish) Hussars, killed on the Somme on 19 October 1918. He is buried in Doingt Communal Cemetery Extension, Somme, France. His wife married secondly in 1923.

The daughter of Edward John and Emily B. (Bateman) Skidmore,

- i. Elsie K., born 1914. She married in 1937.
  - iv. [probably] Walter James, born 1886Q3. Died 1886Q4.
- and registered at St Saviour, Southwark,**
- v. Walter Henry, born 1889Q1, died 1892Q1 aged 3.
  - vi. [perhaps] Florence Ada, born 1891Q4, died 1892Q2.
  - vii. [perhaps] Herbert James, born and died in 1893Q2.
  - viii. [perhaps] Ernest Frederick, born 1894Q2, died 1895Q3.
  - ix. Lilian Maud, born 1897Q4.
  - x. Dorothy Phyllis, born around September/ October 1900. She married in 1926.

**138. SAMUEL<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1853Q4 in Twinnell Street, Bristol was a son of Ebenezer [81] and Sophia (Russell) Skidmore. A brewer living in Twinnell Street in his mother's home before his marriage. He appears to have married in 1876, though the index of the Bristol Parishes Collection online gives his father as Edmund Skidmore. Samuel Skidmore married Elizabeth Bailey (born about 1854 in Bristol, daughter of Thomas Bailey) on 27 August 1876 at St Paul's, Bristol. For some reason this lady was enumerated in 1881 as Lydia Skidmore.

He was by 1881 a tobacco warehouseman, living with his family at 112 Pennywell Road, St Philip's, Bristol. By 1891 they occupied three rooms at 87 Goodhind Road, part of the home of his sister Elizabeth. They moved to Bedminster and were living in 1901 at 13 Lower Pearl Street and by 1911 at 54 Exeter Road. He died on 8 September 1948 and they are buried in Greenbank Cemetery.

**Children of Samuel and Elizabeth (Bailey) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. Rosina Sophia, born 1877Q3 and baptised with Thomas, Lily and William on 23 August 1885 at St Gabriel's, Easton, daughter of Samuel and *Lilian* Skidmore. A tobacconist in a shop in 1901. She married in 1908Q4 in Bristol.
- ii. Thomas Alfred, born 1878Q4. An engineer at the tobacco factory. He died at Bristol in 1939 aged 61, apparently unmarried.
- iii. Lily, born early in 1881. She died in 1894Q4 aged 14.
- iv. William Henry, born 1885Q3. A worker at 'stripping' in the tobacco factory. He enlisted on 11

November 1915 at Bristol with the Army Veterinary Corps. This Corps was responsible for the medical care of animals used by the army; predominantly horses, mules and pigeons. The Depot and Number 13 Veterinary Corps (to which William Henry was attached) was at Woolwich, London. During the Great War the Corps provided a Mobile Veterinary Section as part of each Division that went overseas. Number 13 Corps was attached to the 3rd Cavalry Division in France. He died on 20 October 1964.

- v. Mabel Violet, born 1890Q2. A cigarette packer in 1911.

**139. ALFRED<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1855Q1 in Twinnell Street, Bristol was a son of Ebenezer [81] and Sophia (Russell) Skidmore. He was described as a haulier at the age of 16 in the census of 1871 and later as a grocer's porter and warehouseman. He married on 14 October 1878 at St Paul, Bristol, Louisa Pullin who was born about 1851 in St George, daughter of George Cottle, a butcher of West Street, St Philip's and his wife Elizabeth; she was the widow of Stephen David Pullin, a pork butcher.

They were living in 1881 in Stanley Street, St George with Henry G. Pullin 11 and Albert S. Pullin 9, and their son Alfred. By 1891 they had moved with their growing family to Bedford Street in the St Philip's area of the city, later moving again to Villiers Road. By 1911 they were at 64 Chelsea Park, Easton, Bristol. Mr Skidmore died at the age of 74 in 1929.

**Children of Alfred and Louisa (Cottle) Skidmore,**

- 210. i. **ALFRED GEORGE<sup>8</sup>**, born 1879Q4. He became a 'tramway motor-man' in Wolverhampton, Staffordshire and married there in 1904Q4 Maud Elizabeth Bulmer (born about 1880 in Bildeston, Suffolk, daughter of Edgar Bulmer, a hairdresser, and his wife Mary A.). She and her brother Claude were living in 1901 in Bethnal Green, London, where they were domestics at Bethnal House 'Licensed House for Lunatics'.  
Alfred and Maud Skidmore were living in 1911 at 33 Kimberley Street, Wolverhampton. Mrs Skidmore died in Wolverhampton in 1940 aged 60, her husband in 1945 aged 65.

**Children of Alfred George and Maud Elizabeth (Bulmer) Skidmore, born in Wolverhampton,**

- i. **ERNEST BULMER<sup>9</sup>**, born 1905Q4. He married in 1933.
- ii. Alfred Donovan, born 1907Q3. He married in 1945.
- iii. **HARRY KENNETH<sup>9</sup>**, born 1909Q2. He married in 1941.
- iv. Geoffrey, born 1912Q1 and died soon after.
- v. John E., born 1914Q2.
- vi. Another son, born after the war.
- ii. William Frederick, born 1881Q3.
- iii. Frank James, born 1883Q3. He married in 1924 and died in 1940 in Bristol aged 57.
- iv. Louisa Isabella A., born 1885Q4. With her younger sisters, all employed by J. S. Fry and Sons chocolate works. She married in 1919.
- v. Ada Bessie, born 1888Q1. She married in 1914 and appears to be the lady of her name who died in 1918 aged 30.
- vi. Ellen Sophia, born 1889Q4.
- vii. Mabel Elizabeth, born 1892Q1.

**140. WILLIAM<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, coal miner of South Wales, later of Barnsley, Yorkshire, and Las Animas County, Colorado. He was born (according to the 1900 census for Colorado) in November 1849, though his birth registration has not been found. He was a son of George [82] and Mary (Millard) Skidmore and was said in the 1851 census to have been born in Westbury, Gloucestershire. By 1861 he was aged 11 and living at Coalpit Heath, Westerleigh, with his grandmother Hannah Millard (born about 1787 in Westerleigh). She was the widow of coal miner John Millard, found in earlier censuses in Back Lane, Coalpit Heath.<sup>62</sup>

By 1871 William Skidmore was one of five Gloucestershire coal miners boarding with the Woodland family in Platts Common, Hoyland, Yorkshire. These included his married second cousins Walter Alsop and Charles Taylor, both sons of Hannah Millard (daughter of John and Hannah Millard) by her first and second husbands William Alsop and James Taylor. My thanks to Barbara Bahonen, a Taylor descendant, for this information.

<sup>62</sup> The census of 1861 for Risca apparently contains errors; William's widowed mother was said to be 46 (she was about 32) and William was said to be aged 15 and an invalid.

He married firstly Emma Slack (daughter of Charles Slack, a fireman) on 25 December 1871 in the parish church of Wath upon Dearne, Yorkshire. She died of pneumonia a few months later on 11 March 1872 at the age of only 20. William Skidmore, widower of Platts Common (and son of George Skidmore deceased), married Miss Fanny Tanner, a domestic servant of Blacker Hills, Barnsley on 26 August 1873 at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Barnsley, witnessed by Joseph Slack and Lizzie Raine. Fanny was born in January 1854 at Mangotsfield, daughter of William Tanner, a colliery bailiff, and his wife Ann (Powell) - both are buried at Mangotsfield. My thanks to Steve Moore for information on this family.

William and Fanny Skidmore were living in 1878 at Blacker Hill, Barnsley and at the time of the 1881 census were in Upper Hoyland, together with two coal miners boarding at their home - Charles Collins born about 1858 in Gloucestershire and Alfred Collins born about 1861 in Monmouthshire. They emigrated in 1881 to the United States. In 1900 William was the boss of a coal pit in Sopris, Las Animas County, Colorado, where they lived with daughter Emily and son Ernest. William died in 1902 and is buried at the Masonic Cemetery in Trinidad, Las Animas County. His widow was living in 1910 at 2nd Street, Sopris, with her sons Ernest and William and John Redpath, aged 5, her grandson whom she raised. She died in 1926 and is buried next to her husband.

**Children of William and Fanny (Tanner) Skidmore,**

- i. Emma Ann, born 12 June 1874 at Platts Common. She died 14 January 1875 of pneumonia preceded by bronchitis.
- ii. Ann, born 30 January 1878 in Hoyland.
- iii. Frank, born late in 1880 in Hoyland.
- iv. Agnes, born 9 July 1882 at Philipsburg, Centre County, Pennsylvania. She married John Redpath, a coal miner (born October 1872 in England who arrived in the US in 1888) about 1899 and they were living in 1900 in Las Animas. Their son John Redpath (Jack) was raised by his maternal grandmother.
- v. Emily, born in September 1884 in Ohio.
- vi. Ernest, born 15 December 1886 at Avonmore, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. An engineer for Colorado Fuel and Iron in 1910. He was living, a bachelor, in 1920 in Las Animas County.
- vii. Oliver, born 26 December 1888 at Raton, Colfax County, New Mexico.
211. viii. **WILLIAM**<sup>8</sup>, born 1890 in New Mexico. A clerk for Colorado Fuel and Iron in 1910. He married and lived in Las Animas County, Colorado and later Los Angeles, California.

**141. WILLIAM LUKE**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, born 1859Q2 in the St Philip's area of Bristol, was a son of Henry [84] and Harriet (Scrase) Skidmore. He married Emma \_\_\_\_\_ (born about 1857 in Bristol) in 1881Q4 and their home until at least 1911 was at 6 Gladstone Street, near to his aunt Eliza, widow of Eli [83]. He was a packer and porter in a glass and china warehouse and later for a builder's merchant. He died in 1923 aged 64.

**A child of William Luke and Emma Skidmore,**

212. i. **ERNEST FREDERICK GEORGE**<sup>8</sup>, born 1885Q1. A piano tuner and later a lift attendant in a News Office. He married in Amy Godwin 1912 and died in 1938 aged 53.  
A son,
  - i. Arthur George, born 1913.
- ii. A further child who did not survive.

**142. HENRY SAMUEL**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, born 1863Q1 in the St Philip's area of Bristol, was a son of Henry [84] and Harriet (Scrase) Skidmore. He married on 30 May 1887 at St Paul's, Bedminster, Elizabeth North (born 1867Q1 in Moreton, Thame, Oxfordshire, daughter of John North, agricultural labourer, and his wife Jane).

Henry Skidmore became an omnibus driver and they lived in Bedminster, in Walter Street (1891) and The Nursery (1901). By 1911 he was a dock labourer, unloading cargoes, and the family lived at 1 Devonport Street. He is perhaps the Henry S. Skidmore whose death was registered at Bristol in 1949, said to be aged 89.

**Children of Henry Samuel and Elizabeth (North) Skidmore, registered at Bedminster,**

- i. William Henry, born 1888Q1. William Skidmore, c/o Mrs Mary Richards, The Moor, Congresbury, Somerset (with whose family he boarded), enlisted on 1 November 1917 with the Labour Corps and was assigned to 652 Agricultural Company in Taunton from December 1917. After the war he was sent overseas in July 1919 with the Rhine Cavalry but was evacuated back to the UK in November 1919 suffering from bronchitis; he was admitted to Queen Mary's Military Hospital, Whalley. Nothing further presently known.

- ii. Lily Gertrude, baptised 14 March 1889 at Bedminster. She died in 1891Q1 aged 2.
- 213. iii. **GEORGE JAMES**<sup>8</sup>, born 1892Q1. He married Florence M. J. Worlock in Bristol in 1913Q4.
- iv. Elsie Gertrude, baptised 14 December 1893 at St Mary Redcliffe, Bristol. She died in 1912Q3 aged 18.
- v. Dorothy May, born 1896Q2. She married in 1915.

**and registered at Bristol,**

- vi. Henry Samuel, born 1899Q2. Henry Samuel died on 14 May 1918 aged 19, serving as a private in 8th Battalion, Queen's Own (Royal West Kent regiment). He is buried in the Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, pas de Calais.
- vii. Lilly aged 8 in April 1911, perhaps Lilian Violet born 1903Q3. She died at the age of 14 in 1917Q2.
- 214. viii. **ERNEST REGINALD**<sup>8</sup>, born 1906Q2, called Ernie in the 1911 census. He married in 1928.
- ix. A further child who did not survive.

**143. GEORGE JAMES**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, born 1872Q1 in the St Philip's area of Bristol, was a son of Henry [84] and Harriet (Scrase) Skidmore. He married Ann Humphries (born about 1872 in Bristol, daughter of James Humphries) on 18 March 1894 at Christ Church, Barton Hill, Bristol. He was a chocolate maker and their home in 1901 was at 7 Brighton Park, Easton, Bristol. He was later employed by the City Council as a school caretaker and so the family moved before 1911 to Barleyfields School House, St Philip's.

George J. Skidmore died in Bristol in 1944Q2 aged 72, his wife apparently the Ann Skidmore who died in Bristol in 1952 aged 80.

**Children of George James and Ann (Humphries) Skidmore,**

- i. George James Ronald, born 21 June, baptised 11 July 1897 at St Gabriel's, Easton. He died in 1973 aged 75.
- ii. Annie, born 1900Q2.
- iii. Florence May, born 1903Q3.

**143a. GEORGE**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, born 1843 at St Philip's, Bristol, was a son of John [86a] and Eliza (Coucher) Skidmore. He was living, a labourer, with his grandmother Charlotte Coucher in 1861 on Pearces Court in St James and St Paul, Bristol. He spent some time as a blacksmith in Cardiff and then became a stationary engine driver in Bedminster, Bristol. He married in 1873Q3 Sarah Shearn (born 1843-44 at Timsbury, Somerset, daughter of Isaac Shearn, a labourer at the sugar refinery, and his wife Sarah) and they lived with their children at 48 Weare Street, Bedminster until at least 1901.

Mrs Skidmore died in 1903Q1 aged 59 and by 1911 her husband was living with his son George. He died in 1927 aged 83.

**Children of George and Sarah (Shearn) Skidmore, born in Bedminster,**

- i. Caroline, born 1874Q2. A tailoress, she married in 1907Q4 Joseph Chidgey, an 'estate mason' (born about 1862 in Watchet) and they were living in 1911 at Knapp Cottage, Watchet. No known children.
- ii. William, born 1876Q2. A railway carter, single in 1901. He was a storekeeper in 1911, living with the family of his brother Ernest in Swansea.
- 215. iii. **GEORGE**<sup>8</sup>, born 1877Q3. A tailor's cutter, he married Selina Smith (born about 1879 at St Philip's, daughter of William Smith, a general dealer of Pennywell Rd, and his wife Mary J.) at St Luke's, Bedminster on 18 May 1902. They were living by 1911 at 17 Upper Perry Hill, Southville, Bristol. Selina Skidmore died in 1918Q4 aged 39, her husband apparently in 1930 age 53.

**A child of George and Selina (Smith) Skidmore,**

- i. Marjorie Grace, born early in 1911. She married in 1935.
- 216. iv. **ERNEST JOHN**<sup>8</sup>, born on census day, 3 April 1881. He was living alone at the time of the 1901 census in Argyll Street, Swansea and was a foreman at a wallpaper depot there. He married Ellen Kate Shallis in Bristol in 1901Q3. Her birth as Kate Ellen Shallis was registered at Bedminster in 1881Q2. She was a tobacco spinner before her marriage, living in Bishop Street, Bedminster, with her parents William Shallis, a blacksmith, and his wife Emily (?Coleman). Ernest and Ellen Skidmore were living by 1911 with their three children at 168 Oxford Street, Swansea. Mrs Skidmore died in Swansea in 1950 aged 69, her husband in 1953 aged 71.

**Children of Ernest John and Ellen Kate (Shallis) Skidmore,**

- i. Doris Grace, born 1902Q2. She married in 1925.
- ii. Violet Helen, born 1904Q3. She married in 1928.
- iii. Leslie Grayson, born 1908Q1. He married in 1934.
- v. Ellen, born 1884Q2. A vest maker, she was living in 1911 with her sister Grace at 72 City Road, Bristol.
- vi. Alfred, born 1886Q4. He attended the Queen Elizabeth's Hospital Endowed School, Berkeley Place, Clifton, Bristol. Not yet found in the 1911 British census.
- vii. Emily Grace, born 1890Q2. She worked for a stationer in 1911, when she was living with her sister Ellen.

**143b. WILLIAM SKIDMORE** was born in Bristol around 1847. He appears to a son of John [86a] and Eliza (Coucher) Skidmore, born 1846Q3. A pointer, he married firstly Ellen Brown (born about 1847 in Bristol) in 1871Q1 and was living with his wife at 38 Brick Street, Bristol at the time of the census a little later that year. She appears to have died in 1881Q1 in Bristol aged 35.

He married Jane around 1871-72 though the marriage has yet to be located. She appears to be Jane Hodge Walter, born 1849Q2 in Stratton, Cornwall, daughter of Nathan (sometimes indexed as Watter), a grocer of the High Street there who married Elizabeth Hodge in 1847. The Watter/ Walter family later moved to St Philip's, Bristol, where Nathan was a labourer in a chemical works. The death of Nathan Walter at the age of 59 was registered at Barton Regis in 1886.

William Skidmore, a mason, and his wife Jane were living in 1881 at 4 Martin Street, St Paul's. She is not found thereafter; by 1891 William Skidmore, a mason (and called a widower), was living at 6 Southey Street, St James, Bristol, with sons William and Frank. He is found in the census of 1901 (when he said he was married), a masonry pointer working for himself and living alone, at 14 York Street.

**Children of William and Ellen (Brown) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. William, baptised 22 November 1874 at St Barnabas', Bristol, son of William and Helen Skidmore. A mason's labourer in 1891, presumably working with his father. William Skidmore, who said he was born in the parish of St Barnabas, Bristol in April 1874, was living at the time he enlisted on 19 July 1892 in the parish of Bedminster and was employed there by a Mr Warren. He enlisted at Bath at the age of 18 years 3 months for a term of six years in the 13th Foot, Prince Albert's Somersetshire Light Infantry. He was 5ft 4¼ins tall with a fair complexion, blue eyes and brown hair. He reenlisted on 9 September of that same year at Bristol into the same regiment. He served from June 1900 to September 1902 in South Africa.  
This man was a groom and living at 64 Mina Road, St Werburgh parish, Bristol at the time he reenlisted at the age of 30 on 27 October 1904 in the 28th and 61st Foot, Gloucestershire Regiment. He gave his parents as William and Jane Skidmore of 60 York Street, Mina Road, Bristol. He served until June 1908.
- 217. ii. **FRANK GEORGE**<sup>8</sup>, born 1877Q2. He is not listed at their home at the time of the 1881 census and is presumably the Frank Skidmore aged 4 living at this time at 42 Thrissell Street, Bristol with his grandparents Nathan Watter (born about 1827 at Bradworthy, Devon) and Elizabeth (née Hodge, born about 1817 at Tetherwin, Cornwall). Like his older brother he enlisted into Prince Albert's Somersetshire Light Infantry. He was a labourer living in Bedminster, working for a Mr Phillips, when he joined the 13th Foot on 22 June 1894 at the age of 18 years 2 months. He served in South Africa and was discharged on 2 January 1900.

Frank Skidmore married Virtue Emily Harding (born 1879Q1 in Bristol, daughter of William Harding, a carter, and his wife Emma) in 1897Q4. He was a mason and pointer, living at 10 Mina Road, Bristol in 1901, and next to her parents. They were living by 1911 with their growing family at 23 St Werburgh's Park, Mina Road. Mrs Skidmore died in 1945 aged 66.

**Children of Frank George and Virtue (Harding) Skidmore, born in Bristol, baptised at St Werburgh,**

- i. Francis William, baptised 19 January 1898.
- ii. William Mafeking, baptised 26 September and 7 months old on census day 31 March 1901.
- iii. George Edward, baptised 18 June 1902.

- iv. Lilian Emma, baptised 14 October 1903. She married in 1926.
  - v. Leonard Charles, born 1905Q3.
  - vi. Nellie, presumably Ellen May, born 1908Q1.
  - vii. Gladys Maud, born 1909Q4.
  - viii. John H., born 1912Q2.
  - ix. Winifred I., born 1914Q4.
  - x.-xii. 2 further sons and a daughter.
- iii. [perhaps] Carrie Elizabeth, born 1880Q2. She said she was born in St Werburgh's, Bristol, a daughter of William Skidmore at the time of her marriage on 23 December 1900 at Christ Church, Barton Hill. Her husband Thomas Bryant was a railway carter, born about 1881 in Newtown, Bristol, son of Thomas Bryant. They were living in 1901 at 27 Trinity Street, Bristol and by 1911 with their children at 61 Somerset Street, Bristol: Thomas 31 linesman, railway worker, Carrie 32 m.9y, 3 living children, Thomas James 7, Frank Edward 4, Ada May 1, all b.St Philip's.

**144. FRANCIS<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born in April 1856, probably in Lion Place, Bristol, was a son of Luke [87] and Martha (Kethro) Skidmore. He was baptised 1 June 1856 at SS Philip & Jacob. A stay presser, he married Emily Clara Phillips (born September 1857 in Bristol) in 1884Q3. They were living at 5 Meyrick Street in 1891 and 8 Neath Street, Bristol in 1901.

Their sons Francis and Norman went to Canada in 1904 under the Home Children scheme. The rest of the family followed in 1906 and were living at the time of the Canadian 1911 census in Humboldt, Saskatchewan, where Francis Skidmore was a farmer. Francis Skidmore of Drake, Saskatchewan, was named as next of kin to Lionel Edgar Skidmore on his son's draft papers in January 1918.

**Children of Francis and Emily Clara (Phillips) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. Francis Herbert, born June 1885. With his brother Norman, he arrived in Halifax, Nova Scotia on board the *SS Parisian* on 17 April 1904<sup>63</sup>.
- ii. Norman Ralph, born October 1886.
- iii. Lionel Edgar, born 1 January 1893. He was drafted in January 1918 at Saskatoon, Regina, Saskatchewan, into the 1st Depot Battalion, Saskatchewan Regiment. He was then a farmer and single, a member of the Salvation Army by religion. He was described as 5ft 10" tall, with a dark complexion, brown eyes and dark brown hair<sup>64</sup>.
- iv. Gertrude Constance, born March 1895.

**145. LUKE<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 20 October 1860, probably in Lion Place, Bristol, was a son of Luke [87] and Martha (Kethro) Skidmore. He was baptised with his younger sister Susannah on 16 November 1862 at SS Philip & Jacob. He married Annie Luke in 1888Q4. She was born on 23 July 1862 and was a pupil at the Red Maids' School, Bristol. Her father John James Luke was a burgess of Bristol.

Kelly's Directory of Somersetshire with the City of Bristol 1889 lists Luke Skidmore, a boot maker of 160 Stapleton Road. He remained in this trade until at least 1891, when their home was at 14 York Road, Bristol. By the time of the 1901 census he had become a chocolate mixer for J.S. Fry and they had moved to Mendip View Drive, Bristol. They made a further move before 1911 to 5 Fairlawn Road, Montpelier. Annie Skidmore died in 1933, her husband on Christmas Day 1947.

**Children of Luke and Annie (Luke) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- 220. i. **HARRY LUKE<sup>8</sup>**, born 8 August 1889. A shipping clerk for the Co-operative Wholesale Society. He married Mary H. King in 1919 and lived in Stapleton, Bristol He died on 19 April 1944. A son and three daughters.
- 221. ii. **FRANK<sup>8</sup>**, born 18 February 1892. A commercial traveller for the meat trade. He married May Baker in 1923 and died in 1960. A daughter Daisy born in 1926 at 80 Carlyle Road, Greenbank, Bristol, who kindly provided information on the descendants of her grandparents Luke and Martha (Kethro) Skidmore.

<sup>63</sup> Between 1869 and the early 1930s, over 100,000 children were sent to Canada from Great Britain during the child emigration movement. Members of the British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa are locating and indexing the names of these Home Children found in passenger lists in the custody of the National Archives of Canada.

<sup>64</sup> Canada, Soldiers of the First World War, Library and Archives, Canada.

**147. GEORGE<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1858 at Easton, Bristol, was a son of Mark [89] and Susannah (Grosvenor) Skidmore. He was a coach builder's apprentice in 1871 but did not pursue this trade. He appears to have married Sarah Ann Strickland (born 1862Q4 at Baptist Mills, Bristol, daughter of Thomas Strickland, mason and his wife Sarah) in 1881Q1.

They were living in 1881 at 25 Cattybrook Street, St George, where he was a labourer in a sawmill and his wife was a drawer at the cotton works. In 1891 they were at 37 Thomas Street in Barton Hill, St George, where he was now a coal miner. In 1901 they were living at 8 Thomas Street adjoining the house of Sarah Strickland (aged 78), his widowed mother-in-law. Sarah Skidmore supplemented her husband's income by taking in laundry.

**Children of George and Sarah Ann (Strickland) Skidmore, born in Bristol, baptised at SS Philip & Jacob,**

- i. Mary Ann, born 9 February 1882, baptised Mary Annie on 5 March. Called Annie in the 1901 census, a cotton weaver. Mary Annie Skidmore married Albert Edward Lacey (son of James Lacey) at St Jude's, Bristol on 26 December 1903.
- ii. Arthur Thomas, born 1884Q2 in Mountain Ash, Glamorganshire. He married Eliza Jane Preddy (born about 1888 in Bristol) in 1910 and was living 93 Garnet Street, Bedminster in 1911 with her son Joseph J. Priddey. He was a timberman below ground in a colliery. He died in Bristol in 1949Q1 aged 65, his wife in 1944 aged 57.
- iii. **GEORGE JOSEPH<sup>8</sup>**, born 21 May 1886, baptised 13 June. Called Joe in the 1901 census. He married in 1907Q3 Olive Maud Tarrant (born about 1886 in Bristol). Mr Skidmore was a carter for a general haulier.

**Children of George Joseph and Olive Maud (Tarrant) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. Doris Elizabeth, born 1908Q2.
- ii. Herbert Ivor, born 1910Q4.
- iii. George J., born 1912Q3.
- iv. John H., born 1915Q4.
- v. A further son born after the war.
- iv. Harriet, born 24 April 1889, baptised 19 May.
- v. Sarah, born 6 March 1893, baptised 26 March.
- vi. Robert Charles, born 15 September 1895, baptised 6 October. He died in 1917Q2 aged 21.
- vii. Alfred William, born 1 May and baptised 22 June 1898 at Christchurch, Barton Hill. He enlisted on 13 August 1915 with the Royal Navy and a stoker during WW1. He transferred in 1923 to the New Zealand Navy and remained with them until March 1926<sup>65</sup>. He married in New Zealand in 1926 and appears in the Electoral Roll for the Waitemata District of Auckland in 1935. He died around 1980.
- viii. Albert, baptised 6 September 1903, died an infant later that year.

**148. ARTHUR JOHN<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1869Q3 in Bristol, was a son of Mark [89] and Susannah (Grosvenor) Skidmore. He married Emily Smith (1865-1951, sister of the wife of his brother Joseph, daughters of Edwin and Emily Beatrice (Fletcher) Smith of Catherine Street, St Philips) on 15 October 1893 at Holy Trinity, Bristol. Arthur Scudamore was later a shoemaker at Coleston Road, Easton, Bristol. At the time of the 1911 census he had become a warehouseman for an iron merchant and lived with his family at 17 Bloy Street, Easton. Mrs Scudamore died on 30 January 1951, her husband days later on 4 February 1951.

**Children of Arthur John and Emily (Smith) Scudamore,**

- i. Minnie Elldora, born 5 July 1894. She was a bag maker for a printer in 1911. She married in 1915. Died 1975.
223. ii. **EDWIN CHARLES<sup>8</sup>**, born 27 August 1895. He worked for a printer in 1911. He served with the Royal Army Medical Corps in WW1. Mr Scudamore married in 1922 and died 1972.
224. iii. **ARTHUR VICTOR<sup>8</sup>**, born 1897Q2. He married in 1929. Died 1989.
225. iv. **FREDERICK<sup>8</sup>**, born 1898Q3. He married in 1926.
- v. Daisy Evelyn, born 1905Q4. She married in 1926. Died 1972.
226. vi. **ERNEST W.<sup>8</sup>**, born late in 1910, aged 4 months on census day (4 April 1911). He married in 1934. Died 1959.

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<sup>65</sup> Royal Navy Registers of Seamen's Services, 1900-1928.

**149. SIDNEY ALFRED<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1865Q1 at Redcliff, Bristol, was a son of Edwin [90] and Martha (Davies) Skidmore. He went with his family to Buffalo, New York state around the age of 5 but they had returned to Bedminster by 1876. A shoemaker, he married Minnie Maria H. Watts (born 1867Q3 at Horfield, Gloucestershire, daughter of Samuel Watts and his wife Maria) in 1888Q1. Sidney Alfred Skidmore is listed in Kelly's Commercial Directory of Bristol for 1889 at Blackmore's Head Public House, 55 Clarence Road. He was a boot rounder, living at 54 Green Street, Bedminster in 1891, and at 6 Eldon Terrace in 1901.

At the time of the 1911 census the home of this large family was 16 Raymond Street, Victoria Park, Bedminster. Mrs Skidmore had 11 children, ten of whom were then living, the older ones employed in the local cigarette factory. A granddaughter Mildred Skidmore, born in March 1911, lived with them. Mr Skidmore died in 1922 aged 58, his widow in 1947 aged 79.

**A child of Sidney Alfred and Minnie Maria H. (Watts) Skidmore,**

227. i. **SIDNEY ALFRED<sup>8</sup>**, born 1889Q3. He married Daisy Amelia Hazell (born 1889Q1, daughter of Edwin J. Hazell, a dock labourer of King Street, Bedminster) early in 1911. He died in 1953 aged 63.
- Children of Sidney Alfred and Daisy A. (Hazell) Skidmore,**
- i. Sydney. E. W., born 1911Q4.  
ii.-iii. A son and a daughter born after the war.
- ii. Maud May, born 1892Q1. She appears to have married in 1914.  
iii. Elsie Maria, born 1894Q1. She married in 1914.  
iv. Minnie, born 1896Q3.
228. v. **FREDERICK EDWIN<sup>8</sup>**, born 1898Q4. He married in 1928 and had, as known, one son.  
vi. Rose, born 1901Q4. She died in 1921 aged 19.
229. vii. **FRANK<sup>8</sup>**, born 1904Q1. He is presumably the Frank Skidmore who married in Bristol in 1927.  
viii. Samuel, born 1906Q2.  
ix. Beatrice, baptised 11 September 1907 at St Michael and All Angels, Bedminster.  
x.-xi. 2 further children who did not survive.

**150. FRANK<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, said in the 1900 US census to have been born in March of 1870 in Bristol. He was baptised at Holy Nativity, Knowle, Somerset on 7 May 1883, son of Edwin [90] and Martha (Davies) Skidmore. He returned to England with his parents before 1876 but emigrated in 1882 to the United States where he married Sarah C. McCombs (born June 1875 in Illinois) about 1893. They lived in Illinois until at least 1897 but were living by 1900 in the Third Ward of Topeka, Kansas where he was a carpenter. They returned to Illinois and in 1910, when their home was at 111 Sawyer Avenue, Lyons, Mr Skidmore was foreman at the Cort.? Publishers. In 1920 he was a picture fitter and they were living at 711 Hillgrove Avenue at LaGrange, Lyons, Cook County.

**Children of Frank and Sarah C. (McCombs) Skidmore, born in Illinois,**

- i. William E., born October 1893. A book keeper at the Elone? Valve Co.
230. ii. **SIDNEY ALFRED<sup>8</sup>**, born July 1895. A tool maker at the Elone? Valve Co. He married around 1922.  
iii. Florence A., born January 1897. She married around 1920.  
iv.-v. 2 children who did not survive.  
vi. Maud Isabel, born 1910.

**152. SIDNEY WILLIAM RICHARD<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1865Q3 in Chipping Sodbury, was a son of William [91] and Hannah (Werrett) Scudamore. He was an insurance agent before his marriage, lodging at the time of the 1891 census in Alfred Street, Weston-super-Mare, Somerset. He married Alice Mary Biggs in 1891Q4. She was born in Worle [now part of Weston-super-Mare], Somerset and was perhaps the Alice Biggs whose birth was registered at Axbridge in 1872Q4. She is *perhaps* the 18 year-old waitress Alice M. Biggs (born in Kewstoke) living at the time of the 1891 census in Hopkins Street, Weston-super-Mare with her 1 year-old son Joseph Biggs.

They moved in the early 1890s to Bristol and then Gloucester, before settling around 1896 in Plymouth, Devon, where he worked for a photographer. This family were living in 1899 at 57 Well Street, Plymouth, They seem to have returned to Bristol some time before the late 1920s and Mr Scudamore died at Bristol in 1942.

**Children of Sidney William Richard and Alice Mary (Biggs) Scudamore,**

- i. Albert Richard William, born 7 February 1892 in Weston, baptised with his sister Ada on 3 May 1899 at All Saints, Plymouth. He worked at the mineral water factory in 1911. Albert W.R. Scudamore served in the Army Service Corps during WW1 but the only evidence presently known

of his role is the award of his medals. He married in 1930. The death of Albert W. R. Scudamore at the age of 61 was registered at Wycombe, ?Buckinghamshire in 1953.

- ii. Ada Mary Ann, born 15 June 1894 at Eastville, Bristol, baptised 3 May 1899 at All Saints, Plymouth.
  - iii. Sidney Gerald, born 15 February 1896 in Gloucester and baptised with his older siblings. He died on 16 August 1917 serving with the 7th Battalion, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. His name appears on the Tyne Cot Memorial.
  - iv. Henry Bence, born 15 November 1897 in St Jude's, Bristol and baptised with his older siblings. He was a paper mill hand at the time he enlisted with the Gloucestershire Regiment on 7 December 1915 at Bristol. He was sent to India in November 1916 where he remained until May of 1917. After a five-month spell in Mesopotamia, he was posted back to India until June 1918. He died in Bristol in 1933 aged 34.
232. v. **PERCY WALTER**<sup>8</sup>, born 16 May 1900 at St Jude's, Bristol and baptised on 16 July 1905 at St Budeaux, Crownhill, Plymouth, Devon, together with his younger siblings William, Stanley, Archibald and Violet. He married in 1929.

*Birth registrations have not been found for the following children,*

- 233. vi. **WILLIAM DANIEL**<sup>8</sup>, born 16 September 1901 at St Philip's Bristol. He married in 1929.
- 234. vii. **STANLEY**<sup>8</sup>, born about 1903 at St Andrew's, Plymouth. He appears to have married in Bristol in 1935.
- 235. viii. **ARCHIBALD**<sup>8</sup>, born 25 September 1903 at St Andrew's, Plymouth. Archie emigrated to Australia where in 1929 he married Doris Ivy Groves at St Paul's Church in Birchip, Victoria. They had five sons and five daughters. Archibald died 3 April 1982 and is buried at Kyneton Cemetery. I am grateful to his granddaughter Mrs Vivienne Miles for this information.
- ix. Violet, born 22 September 1904 at 6 Tavistock Road, Crownhill, Plymouth.
- x. May, born about 1909 at St Augustine's, Plymouth.
- xi. Winifred, born 1910 at St Augustine's, Plymouth, 4m on census day (5 April 1911).

**153. ALBERT WILLIAM**<sup>7</sup> **SCUDAMORE**, born 1870Q2 at Chipping Sodbury, was a son of William [91] and Hannah (Werrett) Scudamore. He was living in 1891 with his mother and stepfather in Gloucester. He married Edith Clara Haskins (born 1871) in 1895Q4 in the Wiltshire registration district of Highworth. A tailor's cutter, he was living with his family by 1901 at 13 Dunkirk Road, Fishponds, Bristol and by 1911 was a master tailor living at Fir-Shade, Downend, Bristol. He died at Keynsham, Bristol in 1928.

**Children of Albert William and Edith Clara (Haskins) Scudamore,**

- i. Norman Raleigh Werrett, born 28 September 1896 in Yate. Corporal Scudamore served on the Western Front in the 23rd London Regiment from 1 September 1916 until 5 April 1918<sup>66</sup>. He died in 1978 aged 81.
- ii. Coral Winifred H., born 1899Q3 in Fishponds. She married in 1928.
- iii. Alexander Claude William, born 5 April 1901. He died in 1970 aged 69.
- 236. iv. **ROLLO WILLIAM ETHELBERT**<sup>8</sup>, born 1903Q3. He married in 1939. Died 1973.
- 237. v. [presumably] **RICHARD HECTOR**<sup>8</sup>, born 14 May 1904. He married in 1939. Died 1989.
- 238. v. **GODFREY WILLIAM RICHARD**<sup>8</sup>, born 1907Q2. He married in 1941.
- 238a. vi. **WILLIAM CUTHELLA**<sup>8</sup>, born 9 February 1909. Died 2001 aged 92. He married in 1944.
- 239. vii. **JOHN W. A.**<sup>8</sup>, born 1911Q4. He married in 1945.

**154. WILLIAM ALFRED**<sup>7</sup> **SCUDAMORE** was registered Alfred William Skidmore in 1867Q3 at Bedminster and was also baptised as such on 5 August 1869 at St Mary Redcliff, Bristol. He was a son of Luke [92] and Emma (Nutt) Skidmore. His father adopted the name Scudamore in the 1880s and William retained it too. A shoemaker, he married Clara Collins H. Harris (born 1866Q3 at Old Sodbury, daughter of Robert Collins, keeper of the Bell Inn, Old Sodbury, and his wife Mary Jane (Collins)) on 11 November 1894 at St Augustine the Less, Bristol.

In 1901 he was working for a shoemaker in Bristol and living with his wife and daughter at 4 St Mark's Place, St George. By 1911 he was running his own boot making and repair business, presumably from their home at 4 Woolcot Street, Redlands, Bristol. Clara Scudamore died in 1933 aged 67, her husband in 1949 aged 83.

<sup>66</sup> WWI Service Medal and Award Rolls, 1914-1920.

**Children of William Alfred and Clara Collins (Harris) Scudamore,**

- i. Irene Maud, born 1896Q3. She married in 1916.
- ii. Olive Millicent, born 1902Q3. She married in 1934.
- iii. A third child who did not survive.

**155. GEORGE WILLIAM<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1863Q2 in Bristol, was a son of George [93] and Elizabeth Ellen (Billett) Scudamore. He was a pupil of a chemist and dentist in 1881, and married Elizabeth Kate Leader in 1890Q4 at St Paul's. They were living in 1891 at The Hermitage, Downend Road, Mangotsfield, where he is described at census time as a chemist's manager. His wife was born in about 1865 in Cork, Ireland and the family of James Ronayne, also from Cork, was enumerated at The Hermitage too.

At the time of the 1901 census, he was running his chemist's business from their home at 4 Victoria Buildings, [Two Mile Hill ecclesiastical parish], Bristol, and was a chemist on Two Mile Hill Road in 1902. Mr Scudamore died in 1908 aged 45 and was buried on 7 July at Holy Trinity, Kingswood, his wife in 1909, buried 9 April.

**A child of George William and Elizabeth Kate (Leader) Scudamore,**

- i. Dorothy Kathleen, born 1897Q2 in Kingswood, Bristol and baptised 14 July at St Michael's, Two Mile Hill. She and her sister were living with their paternal grandparents at the time of the 1911 census. She married in 1919.
- ii. Edna May, baptised 9 October 1901 at Christ Church, Easton. She married in 1922.

**156. ALFRED EDWARD<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born in Bristol in 1865Q3, was a son of George [93] and Elizabeth Ellen (Billett) Scudamore. He married Mary Alice Maude Shepherd on 6 June 1897 at St Lawrence, Easton, Bristol. She was born about 1865 in Ballarat, Victoria, Australia, daughter of Henry James Shepherd, a native of Bristol, butcher, and his wife Elizabeth (born in the parish of St Augustine, Bristol). She returned with her family in the early 1870s to live at 9 Charlton Terrace, St George where she assisted her father in his shop.

Alfred Scudamore was a grocer and provision dealer in Avon Dale Road in 1902. He died in 1924 aged 59, his wife in 1946 aged 81.

**Children of Alfred Edward and Mary Alice Maude (Shepherd) Scudamore,**

- i. Alice Maude Mary, baptised 20 October 1901 at St Lawrence, Easton. The death of Alice M. Scudamore at the age of 14 was registered at Bristol in 1916Q1.
- ii. Alfred Edward, a twin, born and died in 1903Q1.
- iii. George Henry, a twin, died in 1903Q2.



*A postcard dated 1899 - No.187 Avondale Road, with kind permission of brizzlebornandbred at [www.flickr.com/photos](http://www.flickr.com/photos).*

**157. CHARLES DANIEL<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1875Q3 in Bristol, was a son of George [93] and Elizabeth Ellen (Billett) Scudamore. He married Ada Bryant on 19 May 1902 at St Matthew's, Kingsdown, Bristol. She appears to be the sister of Oliver Bryant who married her husband's sister Ellen. She was born in 1876Q4 (registered at Clifton), daughter of Henry Bryant, grocer and beer retailer of Bellevue House, Clifton, and his wife Emma.

They were living in 1911 at 44 Cotham Road, Bristol. He was a provision merchant and a director of Scudamore Stores, Ltd., of Bristol. He died in 1951, his wife in 1961.

**Children of Charles Daniel and Ada (Bryant) Scudamore,**

- i. Doris Ada, born 1903Q3. She married in 1933.
240. ii. **GEORGE HENRY<sup>8</sup>**, born 1910Q1. He married in 1934.

**158. ALBERT JOHN<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1867Q4, was a son of John [94] and Rhoda (Carr) Scudamore. He married Elizabeth Roach in 1890Q3 at Bristol. She was born in either 1867 or 1868, one of two ladies of her name born in Rangeworthy, Gloucestershire in these two years. More checking is required but she appears to have been the daughter of George Roach, an agricultural labourer and keeper of the Rock Tavern, Rangeworthy, and his wife Charlotte<sup>67</sup>.

A commercial clerk, he and his wife were living in 1891 at Burleigh Villas, Wellington Avenue. He was a wholesale grocer's cashier in 1901, when their home was at 18 Fairlawn Road. They had moved by 1911 to 8 Pine Grove Place, Bishopston, Bristol. He lived later at 81 Cromwell Road, St Andrews Park, Bristol, and died in hospital on 31 May 1942. Mrs Scudamore died in 1955.

**Children of Albert John and Elizabeth (Roach) Scudamore, born in Bristol,**

*14 children by 1911, 3 of whom did not survive.*

- i. Rhoda Milwood, born 1891Q3. A shorthand typist for an advertising agent in 1911. She married in 1920.
- ii. Frederick Albert William, born 1892Q3 in Rangeworthy. Clerk to a mineral water manufacturer, boarding in Plymouth at the time of the 1911 census. He married in 1922 and died in 1978.
241. iii. **HERBERT GEORGE<sup>8</sup>**, born 1894Q1. A clerk for Burleigh Ltd, a printing works in Lewin's Mead. He enlisted at Clifton on 16 March 1911 for four years' with 1st Gloster Battery of the Royal Field Artillery. He attended the annual fortnight's training required and on the outbreak of war in August 1914 was re-engaged as a gunner. He was promoted to bombardier in August 1916 and was with 240 Brigade and as such served in Italy<sup>68</sup>.  
He married in 1920 and died in 1967.
- iv. Edgar John, born 1896Q1, died in 1897Q1 aged 1.
242. v. **PERCY LEONARD<sup>8</sup>**, born 1897Q1. A clerk at a brewery in 1911. He married in 1925. Died 1935 aged 38.
- vi. Clifford Frank, born 1899Q1. Died 1900Q2.
- vii. Winifred Maud, born 1900Q1. She married in 1925.
243. viii. **DOUGLAS EDWARD<sup>8</sup>**, born 17 August 1901. He joined the Royal Marines in 1919. Mr Scudamore married in 1928 and died in 1968 aged 66.
- ix. Eric Arthur, born 1903Q2. He died in 1960 aged 56.
244. x. **LESLIE NORMAN<sup>8</sup>**, born 1905Q3. He married in 1926 and died in 1962 aged 56.
245. xi. **CLIFFORD JOHN<sup>8</sup>**, born 1907Q4. He married 1941. Died 1977.

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<sup>67</sup> Elizabeth the daughter of George Roach, who farmed 12 acres of Rangeworthy Chapel land, and his wife Mary A., was still a servant in 1891 to Miss Hannah Shipp of Iron Acton.

<sup>68</sup> The Imperial War Museum holds a bound volume (121pp) entitled "History of the 240th Brigade (1st South Midland Brigade), Royal Field Artillery (RFA), 1914-1918" written by several members of the Brigade, including the Brigade Trumpeter, and including good details about mobilisation and drilling in Plymouth and Broomfield, the departure for France on board the SS HUANCHACO (March 1915), the effects of the first gas attack on the Ypres Front (April 1915), the build-up to the Battle of the Somme (June 1916) and the inability to repair the guns due to a lack of proper supplies, along with various methods of make-shift gun repair, interesting descriptions of the sounds of various kinds of shell-fire and their effect on the men, the Brigade's involvement in the Third Battle of Ypres (July – October 1917) in increasingly poor conditions, the journey to the Italian Front (October 1917), where the Brigade saw action at the Battle of Piave River (June 1918) and Vittoria Veneto (October 1918). [www.iwm.org.uk](http://www.iwm.org.uk). The war diary of this Brigade in Italy from the month of November 1917 can be found at [http://www.thebristolgunners.webspace.virginmedia.com/Italian\\_War\\_Diary](http://www.thebristolgunners.webspace.virginmedia.com/Italian_War_Diary).

- xii. Ivor Reginald, born 1909Q1, died 1958 aged 49.
- xiii. Gladys Edna, born 1910Q1. She married in 1934.
- 246. xv. **EDWIN FRANK<sup>8</sup>**, born 1912Q2. He married in 1938. Died 1974.

**159. WILLIAM EDWARD<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1869Q4, was a son of John [94] and Rhoda (Carr) Scudamore. He was a bookbinder, at his parents' home in 1891. He married Selina Orchard on 31 March 1893 at Stokes Croft Chapel, Bristol. She is said to have been a native of Glamorganshire (source unknown) but was born in 1870Q1 in Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire, daughter of George Thomas Orchard, a coachman, and his wife Elizabeth who moved their family to Cambridge Place, St Philip's, Bristol in the 1880s. She was a cocoa packer before her marriage.

They lived at Cardiff where Mr Scudamore was a bookbinder for a printers and publishers. He later became an insurance official and died in 1954 aged 84, his wife in 1947 aged 77.

**Children of William Edward and Selina (Orchard) Scudamore, born in Cardiff,**

- 247. i. **WILLIAM EDWARD<sup>8</sup>**, born 1894Q2. He married in 1921 and died in 1967.
- ii. Lilian Gladys, born 1896Q1. She married in 1918.
- 248. iii. **ARTHUR HAROLD<sup>8</sup>**, born 1898Q3. He married in 1924.

**160. CHARLES<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, born 1872Q3 in Bristol, was a son of John [94] and Rhoda (Carr) Scudamore. He was an organ builder's apprentice living at home in 1891. He married Ellen Lees (born about 1873 in Fazeley, Staffordshire, daughter of Henry Lees, a saddler and harness maker, and his wife Sarah Ann (Perry)) on 4 May 1893 at Whitefield Memorial Church, Bristol.

They had two daughters and at the time of the 1901 census Mrs Scudamore and her daughter Gladys were living in City Road, Bristol, with her uncle and aunt George and Joanna Lees. She ran a dressmaking business from these premises. Their elder daughter lived with Mrs Scudamore's parents in Fazeley until at least 1911 but I have so far been unable to find other family members in that census.

Mrs Scudamore died in 1961, said to be a widow.

**A child of Charles and Ellen (Lees) Scudamore, born in Bristol,**

- i. Eleanor Kate [Nellie], born 1893Q4. She was living at the time of the 1901 and 1911 censuses with her maternal grandparents in Fazeley.
- ii. Gwendoline Gladys, born 1896Q3. She died unmarried in Bristol in 1964 aged 67.

**161. ARTHUR FRANK<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE (Reverend)**, born 25 October 1876, was a son of John [94] and Rhoda (Carr) Scudamore. We are fortunate to have obtained from his grandson Malcolm Grief an account of his life, spoken in March 1972 at Rev. Scudamore's memorial service by Eric R. Grief (who was President of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland from 1961-62).

'Arthur Frank Scudamore was born in Montpellier, Bristol on 25 October 1876. His parents were actively associated with 'Open Brethren' and from the age of 13 Arthur became an active and enthusiastic worker in Slum Missions and Sunday School work, and later in open-air preaching.

He was articled as Provision's Clerk (following in father's footsteps) at William Rees, Grocer, 43 Gloucester Road, Bristol. At this stage he would spend his spare time in voluntary City Mission work in South Wales. He moved to South Devon where at the age of 22 he was baptised at Winner Street Baptist Church, Paignton. A year later he was invited to take up what he significantly called 'All-time Pastoral work'. Today we talk of full-time ministry and supplementary ministry, but for A.F.S. his call was quite definitely to all-time Pastoral work.



*Rev. Arthur Frank Scudamore  
Tewkesbury 1927 aged 51.*

So it was that in 1899 at Wimborne, Dorset, Mr. Scudamore commenced a ministry that was to stretch through 73 years and six reigns, including Pastorates in South Devon, Cradley Heath and Willenhall [Staffordshire], Tewkesbury [Gloucestershire], Long Sutton [Lincolnshire], Whittlesey [Cambridgeshire] and Gedney Hill [Lincolnshire]. In the last 34 years of his life he was an itinerant minister covering a wide area of Cambridgeshire and Lincolnshire, embracing all denominations, to all of whom his ministry was equally acceptable and in constant demand. Outstanding was his honorary Pastorate of Gedney Hill from 1928 to 1950 and the office of Pastor Emeritus he held until his death, covering a total period of 44 years. His deep pastoral concern was very much in evidence at the Pastor's Anniversary services at Gedney Hill when singers from Long Sutton provided the programme; greetings were read from friends from far and near and Mr Scudamore shared experiences from his long and varied ministry.

Mr Scudamore was a man of indomitable courage and faith. This characteristic was revealed in 1903 when at the age of 27 he was involved in a serious cycling accident which, in addition to other injuries, left him with impaired hearing. His doctor at that time told him that he would never preach again, but with that determination and spirit which helped him to overcome many difficulties in his long life and at least three major operations, the last two at the age of 82, Mr Scudamore was preaching again within a month. Unfortunately, his deafness became acute and, as only those who suffer from this affliction can fully appreciate, deafness can easily become a very serious handicap. Mr Scudamore persevered and succeeded in adjusting himself to the problems created without the assistance of hearing aids which are such a boon to hard of hearing people today.

Mr Scudamore married Fanny Skinner Maer Thomas of Paignton at Paignton Bible Christian Church in 1904. Mrs Scudamore assisted her husband in his pastoral work and was particularly active in women's issues. She died at Whittlesey in 1951, leaving two daughters, Dorothy Hilda and Kathleen Irene and a son Arthur Reginald Scudamore (1910-1997).

Mr Scudamore was admired for the meticulous care with which he carried out every duty - his emphasis upon thoroughly efficient organisation to the last detail and his abhorrence of any kind of slipshod work, especially in the work and witness of the Church; yet he was a man with a heart of gold and a sympathy for those in need which was quickly and practically expressed. His keen interest in Sunday School work, Boys' and Girls' Brigades, particularly during his ministry at Willenhall, are features of the wide interests involved in his ministry.

Arthur Frank Scudamore died in March 1972 in Peterborough Hospital at the age of 95'.

**Children of Arthur Frank and Fanny Skinner Maer (Thomas) Scudamore,**

- i. Dorothy Hilda, born 1905Q3. She married in 1935.
- ii. Kathleen Irene, born 3 September 1907. I would like to thank her nephew Malcolm Grief for the following biography.

Kate was born ... at Croyde, North Devon. As was the custom in the earlier part of the 20th century, clergymen moved round quite a lot and they came to Whittlesey via Cradley Heath, where brother Reg was born, Willenhall near Wolverhampton, Tewkesbury, and Long Sutton in Lincolnshire.

By the time she moved to Tewkesbury, Kate was already showing much promise as a contralto singer, pianist and organist, thus following in her mother's footsteps, and a new piano was purchased for the family from Cheltenham, which Kate kept until she gave up her home.

By the time the family came to live at 45 Church Street, Whittlesea in 1934, music had become one of the most important parts of Kate's life.... She stayed home to help with the running of the Manse and to develop her musical interests and talents. In Whittlesey she got involved with the Co-op Choir, playing the piano for their singing at Music Festivals.

After her father retired as Minister of Windmill Street Baptist Church, she followed his lead and made her talents as a Church musician available wherever there was a need. Over the intervening years she has been organist at both Broad Street Congregational Chapel and the Queen Street Methodist Chapel, in Whittlesey.

In 1935 they moved to 13 Queen Street. When her mother died in 1951 she took over the care of her father. When that house was sold to the council for demolition to make way for a new car park, they moved to a small bungalow in Millfield Gardens, and to the Cemetery Lodge. Her father died in 1972 and some years later she moved to 26 Eastgate Court from where she moved to Aliwal Manor in 1996.

Under a somewhat hard exterior, there was a girlish sense of humour. If one could get through the veneer and attitudes of a late Victorian/ Edwardian strict religious upbringing, there was a fun-loving person with a very infectious laugh... She was, in her own way, an eccentric who had very clear, if narrow, opinions. She spoke as she found ... but she spoke honestly as this attribute was ingrained in her from infancy. .. she was a one-off [who gave] so much to the churches and community in Whittlesey in her own way and from her own skills.

249. iii. **ARTHUR REGINALD**<sup>8</sup>, born 1910Q2. He married in 1936 and died in 1977.

**162. WILLIAM**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, son of John [95] and Mary Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. He married Barbara Smith (born about 1865) at Beechworth in 1897. She was buried in the Presbyterian section of Beechworth cemetery on 2 March 1936 aged 71.

The following Skidmores appear in the 1903 Electoral Roll at Beechworth:

Last Street, Beechworth. Barbara, Edward, Mary, William.

Camp Street, Beechworth. George, Maggie.

Holmes Creek, Beechworth. John.

**Children of William and Barbara (Smith) Skidmore, born at Beechworth,**

- i. William Wallace Reid, born 1898. He did not marry.
- 250. ii. **FRANCIS JAMIESON**<sup>8</sup>, [Frank], born 1901. He married and had two sons. He died in 1980 and was buried in the Church of England section of Beechworth Cemetery.
- iii. Norma Merle, born 1903. She married and had six children.

**163. GEORGE**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, born about 1860, son of John [95] and Mary Ann (Bryant) Skidmore, died in Beechworth and was buried there a Presbyterian on 26 June 1942 aged 82. Married Margaret Thompson [Maggie] in 1889.

**Children of George and Margaret (Thompson) Skidmore, born at Beechworth,**

- i. John Thomson [Jack], born 1889. He married but had no issue.
- 251. ii. **GORDON LESLIE**<sup>8</sup>, born 1891, died in Melbourne and buried Presbyterian at Beechworth on 5 August 1971 aged 80. He married and had a son and a daughter.
- iii. David Miller Thomson, born 1896, died at Ovens District Hospital after war service and was buried in the Presbyterian section of Beechworth cemetery on 21 May 1919 aged 23.
- 252. iv. **GEORGE ARTHUR**<sup>8</sup>, born 1898. He married twice. Perhaps two sons and a daughter.
- v. Dorothy Mabel, born 1904, daughter of George and Maggie Edith Skidmore. She married and had one daughter.

**164. EDWARD**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, born 4 November 1861 on Camp Street, Beechworth, was a son of John [95] and Mary Ann (Bryant) Skidmore. He married Mary French on 29 December 1887. She was born 10 August 1863,

daughter of another pioneer family, Edwin French, a dairyman originally from Penzance, Cornwall and his wife Jane (Warren), a midwife. The Warren family, from England, lived for many years on the old Chiltern Road near Ingrams Rock. Mr French and Mr Brewer had a lease of land extending from near Ingrams Rock, La Larena Hill to the Wooragee Creek and their cattle were branded F.B.

Edward Skidmore died of meningitis on 23 September 1908 and was buried the following day in the Independent (Congregational) section of Beechworth cemetery aged 46. He left a will witnessed by John George Straughair, carpenter and Samuel Martin, butcher and naming as beneficiaries his wife Mary and children William John, George Edward, Gladys Evelyn, Ruby, Alice Mabel and Vera Myrtle. Probate was granted to his wife Mary on 27 February 1909. Mrs Skidmore died on 5 December 1949 in Last Street, Beechworth aged 88.

**Children of Edward and Mary (French) Skidmore, born at Beechworth,**

- 253. i. **WILLIAM JOHN**<sup>8</sup>, born 1888. He married Elsie Levritt of Everton. He was a farmer and beekeeper at Beechworth, where Skidmore Road was named for him. He is remembered as 'a very quietly spoken gentlemanly type'. He owned land near the old Reids Creek goldfield and also along the Wooragee. He died on 18 May 1976 aged 87. A daughter and two sons.
- 254. ii. **GEORGE EDWARD**<sup>8</sup>, born 14 January 1890. Married in 1918. He died in 1952 aged 62, buried at Footscray cemetery. Two daughters and two sons.
  - iii. Gladys Evelynia, born 1892.
  - iv. Ruby Victoria, born 1894.
  - v. Alice Mabel, born 1896.
  - vi. Vera Myrtle Irene, born 1899.
  - vii. Colonel James Robert [sic], 6 weeks, buried 4 November 1901.

**165. ALBERT EDWARD**<sup>7</sup> **SKIDMORE**, born 1863Q3 at Mangotsfield and baptised on 30 August at St John the Baptist, Frenchay, was a son of George [96] and Elizabeth (Huish) Skidmore. He was a coal miner living at his parents' home in 1881. He married firstly Elizabeth Andrews (born about 1861 in Pitney, Somerset, daughter of Samuel Andrews, mason) of Pitney, Somerset on 5 September 1884 at Frampton Cotterell, witnessed by Morris Rolph and Minnie Curtis. They spent some time in Abertillery, Monmouthshire towards the end of the 1880s. Indeed Albert Skidmore was boarding at the time of the 1891 census in the home of David Thomas (father of his brother Fred's wife) at 4 Cwmnantygroes, Aberystwith, while his wife and their two small children remained at their home in Goose Green, Frampton Cotterell. He was still a coal miner in 1901, living close to his father at Goose Green, but moved to Church Lane and joined his father as a market gardener. Elizabeth Skidmore died aged 51 on 14 April 1913.

He married secondly Elizabeth Annie Huish (born about 1870, daughter of John Huish, labourer) on 27 October 1913 at Frampton Cotterell. James Huish and Edith Emily Lloyd witnessed the marriage. Mr Skidmore died on 28 March 1931, aged 67, his wife on 7 March 1952 aged 82. He and his wives are buried in St Peter's churchyard at Frampton Cotterell, where a memorial exists.

**Children of Albert Edward and Elizabeth (Andrews) Skidmore, born in Frampton Cotterell,**

- i. Albert Charles, born 1885Q3, died aged 2 and buried at St Peter's on 23 July 1887.
- ii. Edith Emily, born 1886Q3. She died in infancy and her death was registered in Monmouthshire, although she was buried at Frampton Cotterell on 28 June 1887.
- 255. iii. **IVOR CHARLES**<sup>8</sup>, born 1888Q3 in Abertillery. A coal miner, he married Amelia Tarrant (daughter of Joseph Tarrant, general dealer, and his wife Martha) in 1911Q2 in Wales. Mr Skidmore died on 22 November 1961 aged 75, his wife Amelia on 12 December 1964 aged 74 and both are buried at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell. He was said to have been a hardware dealer. Without the benefit of certificates or baptism registers, I have assumed that the following children belong to Ivor Charles and Amelia.
  - i. Emily, born 1912Q4.
  - ii-iv. 3 further daughters born in South Wales, one in Frampton Cotterell, all born after the war.
- 256. iv. **FRED**<sup>8</sup>, [registered as Fred], born 1891Q1. A 'carter of provisions' at the time of the 1911 census, he married later that year Annie Rachel Bendall and lived at 6 Clyde Road, Brockridge, Frampton Cotterell. He enlisted on 9 December 1915 at Bristol and was mobilised from the Reserves on 9 April 1917. His posting to India scheduled to take place in May seems to have been cancelled and he was sent to France as a gunner with the Royal Garrison Artillery on 13 November 1917.

Mr Skidmore died on 21 January 1958 aged 67, his wife on 14 July 1955 aged 67 - both are buried at St Peter's.

**Children of Fred and Annie Rachel (Bendall) Skidmore,**

- i. Herbert George, born 18 December 1911. He married in 1936. Died 1988.
- ii. William Stanley, born 1913Q3. He married in 1937. He died 31 Jan 1998 aged 84.
- iii. Frederick P., born and died in 1917Q1.
- v. Joe, [registered as Joe], born 1892Q4. A 'repairer' in a colliery in 1911.
- 257. vi. **HERBERT GEORGE<sup>8</sup>**, registered as Herbert in 1894Q2. He enlisted at Bristol on 30 November 1915 with the Grenadier Guards and was assigned to the Reserves. He was mobilised on 9 January 1917 and went to Caterham where he was trained as a Lewis Gunner before being sent to France in November 1917. He received a gunshot wound to the side soon after his arrival in France but rejoined his battalion on 3 February 1918. He was again wounded in April but rejoined his battalion in June. He remained in France until demobilisation in March 1919  
A market gardener with his father, he married in 1917 and died in 1947 aged 53. Two sons and a daughter.

**166. FRED<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, baptised 21 December 1866 at All Saints, Winterbourne Down, was a son of George [96] and Elizabeth (Huish) Skidmore. He married Sarah Thomas in 1887Q4 in Wales, and they were living with her father David Thomas, a coal miner, at Aberysthuth, Monmouthshire in 1891, together with her brothers-in-law Albert and Willie Skidmore. Fred Skidmore ran a bakery, operating from their home at 55 Vivian Street, Abertillery. Mr Skidmore's death at the age of 67 was registered at Bristol in 1934 and a memorial exists at St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell to him and his wife, who died in 1942.

**Children of Fred and Sarah (Thomas) Skidmore,**

- i. Elizabeth Ann, born 1889Q3 in Cwmnantygroes, Aberysthuth. She died in 1892Q2 aged 2.
- ii. [presumably] Fred, born and died in 1891Q4.
- iii. A child who did not survive.
- 258. iv. **FRED<sup>8</sup>**, born 16 November 1893 in Abertillery. He was a van driver for his father's bakery business in 1911. He married Eunice M. Horler in 1913Q1 in Bedwellty. He served as an Ordinary Seaman with the Royal Navy in 1918.  
He appears to have emigrated with his wife and children to Canada in 1925<sup>69</sup> but returned to Bristol in 1931<sup>70</sup>.

**Children of Fred and Eunice M. (Horler) Skidmore,**

- i. Gertrude, born 1913Q3.
- ii. Eunice, born 1914Q3
- iii.-v. as known A son & daughter born after the war and a daughter born in Canada.
- v. Gertrude Violet, born 1897Q4. She married in 1917.

**167. WILLIE<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born around September 1870 but not registered until 1871Q1, was a son of George [96] and Elizabeth (Huish) Skidmore. He was a coal miner at Aberysthuth, Monmouthshire in 1891, and married Emma Jane Tovey (born about 1870, daughter of Thomas Tovey) on 11 October 1891 at Holy Trinity, Bristol. In 1901 he was a horse driver in a coal mine and living at Brockridge, Frampton Cotterell. Their address is specified in the census of 1911 as 'near Rising Sun'. He died aged 54 and was buried in 1924 at Coalpit Heath. Emma Skidmore died in 1951 aged 54 and is also buried at St Saviour's.

**Children of Willie and Emma Jane (Tovey) Skidmore,**

- i. Ethel, born 1893Q3. She married in 1915.
- 259. ii. **CHARLES<sup>8</sup>**, born 1896Q1. He was a market gardener in Frampton Cotterell and enlisted on 11 December 1915 at Bristol with the Royal Garrison Artillery. He was mobilised from the Reserves on 15 May 1917 and trained as a signaller before leaving for France in January 1918.  
Mr Skidmore married in 1917. He died in 1961 aged 64 and is buried at St Saviour's, Coalpit Heath.
- iii. A child who did not survive.

**168. EDWARD HENRY<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE** was born in 1865Q4 and was baptised at St Michael's, Winterbourne, on 8 October 1865, son of Henry [98], labourer of Winterbourne Hill, and Marianne (Huish) Skidmore. He was a chair

<sup>69</sup> Canadian Passenger Lists, 1865-1935

<sup>70</sup> UK, Incoming Passenger Lists, 1878-1960.

and couch frame maker, living in 1891 at his parents' home. He married Minnie Maria Hollingbery in 1892Q4 and they were living by 1901 in Clevedon Terrace. She was born 1866Q1, daughter of Thomas Hollingbery, a master chair and cabinet maker, and his wife Elizabeth, of Alfred Parade, St James, Bristol.

By 1911 they had moved to 6 Duke Street, Bristol and Mr Skidmore was a warehouseman for a paper mill. Mrs Skidmore died in 1937 aged 71, her husband in 1950 aged 85.

**Children of Edward Henry and Minnie Maria (Hollingbery) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

- i. Grace Hollingbery, born 1895Q2. A clerk in a dairy in 1911. She married in 1932.
- ii. Horace Edward, born 1896Q4. Clerk to a rag and paper merchants in 1911. He served with the Gloucestershire Regiment and with the Lancashire Fusiliers during WW1. He married in 1922 and perhaps again in 1947. Mr Skidmore died in 1957 aged 61.

**169. CHARLES HERBERT<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Henry [98] and Mary Ann (Huish) Skidmore, was born in 1873Q3 at Stapleton, Bristol. He was a chair maker in 1901 and married Julia Kate Filer (born 1876Q2 in St Philip's, Bristol, daughter of Alfred Filer, a boot maker, and his wife Susan) in 1902Q4 in Bristol. They were living by 1911 at 6 Warminster Road, Bristol, when Mr Skidmore's occupation is shown as a steam oven builder.

**Children of Charles Herbert and Julia Kate (Filer) Skidmore,**

- i. Reginald Charles H., born 7 March 1904. He married in 1933. Mr Skidmore died in 1974 aged 70.
- ii. Ivy Gwendolen, born 1905Q1. She married in 1932.
- iii. Winifred May, born 1906Q4. She married in 1934.

**170. WALTER<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Henry [98] and Mary Ann (Huish) Skidmore, was born in 1875Q2. A chair and couch frame maker, he married Maria May Hartell (born 1872Q2, daughter of John Gilbert Hartell) on 10 November 1902 at Holy Trinity, Bristol. They were living by 1911 at 19 Lancaster Road, Bristol. Mr Skidmore died in 1951 aged 75.

**Children of Walter and Maria May (Hartell) Skidmore,**

- i. Doris May, born 1903Q2. She married in 1929.
- ii. Mona Kathleen, born 1905Q2. She married in 1932.

**171. EDWIN ALFRED<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, son of Henry [98] and Mary Ann (Huish) Skidmore, was born 1884Q4 in Bristol. He was a chair maker and married Ellen Tucker in 1913Q1 in Bristol.

1891 done    1901 done    1911 done

**Children of Edwin Alfred and Ellen (Tucker) Skidmore, born in Bristol,**

260. i. **ROYSTON A.<sup>8</sup>**, born 1914. He married in 1942.
- ii. Iris M. A., born 1915.
  - iii.-iv. Two further daughters.

**172. HENRY GEORGE<sup>7</sup> SCUDAMORE**, son of Daniel [99] and Elizabeth Ann (Rowland) Scudamore, was born in 1888Q1 in Kentish Town. *Henry Scudamore* married Louisa Painter (born about 1887 in Kentish Town) on 7 December 1907 at Haverstock Hill, London. She appears to be the daughter of Thomas Painter, a general labourer of Colva Street, Kentish Town, and his wife Mary A.

Harry and Loie Scudamore are found 1911 at 83 Allcroft Road, Kentish Town, London. He was a French polisher for a piano manufacturer. *George Skidmore* alias *Henry Scudamore*, a *blacksmith*, enlisted in London on 28 December 1914 with the Royal Engineers. He had the rank of Pioneer with 68th Field Company of the Royal Engineers and was posted to Egypt on 12 July 1915 (?429 Field Company).

**A child of Henry George and Louisa (Painter) Scudamore,**

- i. Alice Rosina, born in Kentish Town in 9 February 1908.
261. ii. **DANIEL THOMAS HENRY<sup>8</sup>**, born 19 November 1911. He married in 1939 and died in 1967 aged 55.
- iii. Henry George, born 26 January 1914. He died in 1965 aged 51.

**173. WILLIAM JAMES<sup>7</sup> SKIDMORE**, born 1879Q3 in St Issells, Pembrokeshire, was a son of Oliver [100] and Charlotte James (Perkins) Skidmore. He became a railway porter, later a signaller, and was boarding with the family of James Murphy, a signaller, in West End Terrace, Kidwelly in 1901. He married Jane Harries (born about 1872 in Llandybie, Carmarthenshire, daughter of blacksmith Herbert Harries) on 18 February 1903 at Llandybie 'upon Superintendent Register's Certificate'.

James and Jane Skidmore were living in 1911 at 5 Trevor Terrace, Tirydail, [the official address is given as 116 College Street], Ammanford, Carmarthenshire, where he was a signalman for the Great Western Railway<sup>71</sup>.

**Children of William James and Jane (Harries) Skidmore,**

- i. Muriel Irene, born 1903Q4. She married in 1929.
- ii. Jennie Mary, born 1905Q3. She married in 1946.
- iii. Herbert Oliver G., called Gwyn, born 1906Q3. He married in 1931.

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<sup>71</sup> Old Ordnance Survey maps show that at some point between 1891 and 1906 the passenger platform was moved from the north to the south side of the Dyffryn Road level crossing. As with most of the stations on the Heart of Wales Line, the original rather elegant station buildings and signal box have been demolished and now the only structures are a platform and shelter. Wikipedia.

## NOTES

### UNKNOWNNS

*Some of these people could belong to other family lines,  
such as the Scudamores out of Ballingham, Herefordshire.*

*In most cases, information has been obtained from online sources - original registers should be checked.*

**ANN SKIDMORE** and **GEORGE BRYANT**. Banns for their marriage were called at St Saviour, Southwark in December 1820. They were bachelor and spinster, both of the parish of St Saviour. Care is required in searching for children of this marriage since there were other men called George Bryant who married ladies called Ann at around this time.

There were **two men called PHILIP SKIDMORE** both of whom married ladies called CAROLINE. See also Philip Welsh Skidmore [86].

**PHILIP SKIDMORE**, a carpenter, was born about 1813 in St Mary Redcliff, Bristol - his parents are presently not known but he might be a cousin of Philip Welsh Skidmore, who was born around the same time. He is called *Scudamore* in the 1841 census and *Skidmore* thereafter (though in 1871 the surname *Skidmore* has been crossed through by the enumerator and replaced with *Scudamore*). He married Caroline Cox on 13 March 1836 at St Mary le Port, Bristol. A warehouseman, he and his wife were living in 1841 in Cherry Alley in the St Paul's district of Bristol. By the time of the 1851 census their address was Webbs Court, George Street, St Philip's, Bristol, when Philip was a carpenter. He was convicted at the Bristol Quarter Sessions on 11 April 1853 of stealing jewellery from the dwelling house of George Cottle. He was sentenced to seven years transportation but a licence was granted on 29 April 1856 for early release from Portsmouth Prison<sup>72</sup>. He appears at the census roll for this prison in 1861, a convict in custody. His wife Caroline Skidmore (aged 62, apparent error in census) was a charwoman, living as a boarder at 35 Bread Street, Bristol at this time. Philip, then a mason's labourer and 'a cripple', was living by 1871 with his wife at 10 Bread Street. She died in 1880 aged 72 from burns and an enquiry into her death was reported in *The Bristol Mercury and Daily Post* on 7 May 1880. He died aged 70 in the Barton Regis registration district in 1881Q1. No known offspring.

**JOHN SKIDMORE**, born 1812-1816, was a labourer of Temple E. Square, Bristol in 1841. He married Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_ (born outside Gloucestershire). He has yet to be found in later censuses.

**GEORGE SKIDMORE**, born about 1819 in Winterbourne (who is NOT George [30] and is as yet not found in other censuses) was lodging in 1851 in Chapel Row, Blaenavon, Monmouthshire, in the home of Mark England (born about 1812 in Westerleigh), coal miner, and his wife Diana (?Cordey). Along with George were three other unmarried coal miners - George Amos, born in Winterbourne about 1824, and George Drew and Robert Langley, both born about 1831 in Frampton Cotterell.

**WILLIAM SKIDMORE** is found in the St Paul's area of Bristol in 1851, aged 28 and born in Frampton Cotterell, a dry salter's labourer. His wife Mary Ann was born about 1826 in Chewton Mendip, Somerset. Their marriage has yet to be found. They are presumably the couple found in 1861 at 5 Anns Place, Newington, Surrey. He was then a porter, born in Gloucestershire and aged 46 [difficult to decipher but the 2nd numeral is a 6 or an 8], his wife Mary Ann aged 34 and born in Somerset. William the husband of Mary Ann is not found in the British censuses of 1841 nor 1871 and later.

William Skidmore, who might be this same man, was a greengrocer of Stapleton and found as the husband of Elizabeth in the 1871, 1881, 1891 censuses - not earlier. William Skidmore, son of William Skidmore, married on 21 July 1867 at St Andrews, Clifton, Elizabeth Hollister, daughter of George Hollister. He used the name Scudamore in the 1891 census.

He is perhaps the William Scudamore whose death was registered at Barton Regis is 1896Q3. His widow appears to be the 82-year old Elizabeth Skidmore (born in Coalpit Heath) living at 27 Foster Street, Bristol in 1901; she died in 1903.

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<sup>72</sup> National Archives, Item reference PCOM 3/50/5440. Licence number 5440: Philip Skidmore.

**WILLIAM SKIDMORE**, born about 1891 at Tredworth, Gloucestershire was single, a traction engine driver, boarding at the time of the 1911 census at the farm of James Thomas at Ffynonceisiaid, Hebron, Carmarthenshire

**Richard HARDMAN married Mary SENDMORE** (born about 1777 in Iron Acton) on 13 September 1813 at Bedminster and had one [known] daughter. His widow, called Mary *Skidmore*, was living at the time of the 1851 census in Little Ann Street, St Philip & St Jacob, Bristol, with her son-in-law James Shaw, a cheese dealer (born about 1811 in Bristol), his wife Ann and their daughter Sarah A. Shaw - all three born in SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol.  
**A daughter,**

- i. Ann Skidmore Hardman, baptised (surname Hardman) 30 December 1821 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol.

Ann Hardman Skidmore (surname Skidmore) married James Shaw (son of Thomas Shaw) on 15 October 1838 at SS Philip & Jacob, Bristol. She was widowed by 1861 and in 1881 was living with her married daughter Sarah Ann Taylor.

**A daughter,**

- i. Sarah Ann, born about 1832, baptised Sarah Ann Skidmore Shaw (surname Shaw) at St Philip's on 5 June 1836. Sarah Ann Shaw married Charles Taylor in 1857Q2 and at the time of the 1881 census was running a shop at 27 Philadelphia Street, Bristol.

An **Elizabeth Skidmore** appears to be part of a family connected to Richard Hardman's wife. She married William Redman on 16 January 1823 at SS Philip & Jacob. If correctly identified from censuses, it appears she was born about 1805 in Bristol. They were living with their children by 1841 in Little Ann Street, SS Philip & Jacob. William Redman was a horse dealer in 1861, when their home was in Wade Street in the same area of Bristol, and his sons Thomas and James were cheese factors.

## SOURCES

### Censuses

All British censuses 1841-1911 inclusive.

### Parish registers

For a list of parishes registers on CD produced by Bristol and Avon Family History Society, see [www.bafhs.org.uk](http://www.bafhs.org.uk)

For a list of Parish Registers, Nonconformist Registers and Bishop's Transcripts in Bristol Record Office, see [www.bristol.gov.uk](http://www.bristol.gov.uk)

BRISTOL:

We are now very fortunate to be able to access the 'Bristol Parish Registers 1538-1900' via [familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org). These contain not only parishes within the city but others just around Bristol - Barton Hill, Bedminster, Brislington, Clifton, Coalpit Heath, Downend, Easton, Frampton Cotterell (though in this case the original registers have been seen for the dates shown below), Frenchay, Kingsdown, Mangotsfield, Montpelier, Stapleton, Two Mile Hill.

COALPIT HEATH, St Saviour's MIs at [www.framptoncott.co.uk](http://www.framptoncott.co.uk)

DIDMARTON CMB1675-1725

FRAMPTON COTTERELL, St Peter's C1638-1850 (gaps 1642-1650, 1750-1758) Originals checked.

M1638-1956 (gaps 1640-1652, 1659-1670)

B1638-1882 (gaps 1640-1652, 1738-1741)

CMB Bishop's Transcripts 1750-56, (1757 missing), 1758

MIs at [www.framptoncott.co.uk](http://www.framptoncott.co.uk)

FRAMPTON COTTERELL, Zion Chapel C1801-1962 M1846-1930 B1876-1925

MIs at [www.framptoncott.co.uk](http://www.framptoncott.co.uk)

FRAMPTON COTTERELL, Congregational, Not yet searched

IRON ACTON, St James the Less CMB Bishop's Transcripts

1607-09, 1612-13, 1617-18, 1620-21, 1624-25, 1628-29, 1632, 1637, 1639, 1641, 1660, 1662-63, 1665, 1668-72, 1674-75, 1677-1699. CB 1813-16, M 1813-37.

OLDBURY ON THE HILL CMB1660-1740

RANGEWORTHY Bishops' Transcripts, 1575 to 1640. Transcribed by Leslie Mahler © 1998

STOKE GIFFORD Pallot's Index, dates ??

WESTERLEIGH, St James the Great CMB 1751-1837

CMB Bishop's Transcripts 1599-1601, 1605, 1607-09, 1612, 1617, 1620-23, 1625, 1628-29, 1637, 1640, 1660, 1663-65, 1667-68, 1670, 1672, 1674-1692.

WINTERBOURNE, St Michael	C1813-1823 Originals checked.
WINTERBOURNE DOWN, All Saints	C1858-1965 M1861-1985 B1861-1989 Originals checked.
YATE	CMB 1660-1699 1751-1837 CMB Bishop's Transcripts 1609, 1617, 1621, 1624, 1628, 1630, 1632, 1637-38, 1640s.

### **MARRIAGE BONDS**

Gloucestershire: Bristol Diocese - Marriage Bonds, 1637-1700

### **BURIALS**

Extracts have been obtained from the South Gloucestershire Burial Index, produced by Bristol & Avon FHS.

### **WILLS**

The following sources contain no probates for individuals in this branch of the wider Scudamore/ Skidmore family.  
The Gloucestershire Archives/Record Office online index genealogical database to all known wills proven in the county between 1541 and 1858  
Bristol Wills Indices 1781-1858.  
A Calendar of Wills Proved in the Consistory Court of The Bishop of Gloucester 1541-1660 [1] & 1660-1800 [2].  
Early Gloucestershire Probate Records transcribed by Leslie Mahler.  
Index to Somerset Wills, 1812-1857.  
Wiltshire and Swindon Archive Catalogue - Wiltshire Wills.

### **Principal Probate Registry 1858 onwards**

#### **1875, WILL OF VALENTINE SKIDMORE, UNDER LOCK KEEPER OF HEMPSTEAD IN THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

Died 9 October 1875 at The Infirmary.  
Proved 1 November 1875 at Gloucester.  
To wife Eliza monies, household goods and chattels.  
The Mark of Valentine Skidmore.  
Witnesses: Isaac Bowman, chaplain at infirmary; EW Coren, solicitor of Gloucester.  
Executor: Eliza Skidmore, Hempstead, widow.

#### **1876, WILL OF DANIEL SKIDMORE OF TAILOR OF HAMBROOK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

Died 12 December 1875.  
Proved 11 January 1876 at Bristol.  
Formerly of Queens Parade, Stapleton Rd, Bristol but late of Hambrook, Gloucestershire.  
To wife Sarah all household furniture, plate, linen and other effects & ready money.  
Rest to brother George Scudamore of Penn Street, City of Bristol, grocer and to my son-in-law Charles Bryant of 2 Abbotsham Place, City of Bristol upon trust following clearing debts, rents .... proceeds and assets by my wife during her life sole use then to my daughter Sarah Ann Elizabeth wife of Charles Bryant for life then to Charles Bryant issue during his life.  
Witnesses: James Shepherd, 40 Beaumont Street, Bristol; William Henry Thomas, 13 Victoria Place, Bristol.  
Executors: George Scudamore [sic], Penn St, Bristol, grocer; brother, Charles Bryant of 11 Abbotsham Place, Stapleton Rd, cattle dealer.  
£450.

#### **1877, ADMINISTRATION OF ELI SKIDMORE, LICENSED VICTUALLER OF MYRTLE TREE TAVERN, THOMAS STREET, BRISTOL, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

Died 30 September 1877.  
Granted 20 October 1877 at Principal Registry to Eliza Skidmore, widow of above.  
£600. No leaseholds.

#### **1898, ADMINISTRATION OF EDWARD SKIDMORE, HATTER OF 15 CONDUIT PLACE, BRISTOL, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

Died 20 March 1898.  
Granted 26 April 1898 to Sarah Skidmore widow.  
Suritees: Minnie Skidmore of same address spinster and Edwin Walls of the City of Bristol.  
£294. No leaseholds.

## MISDEMEANOURS

*The Bristol Mercury* Monday, April 10, 1826; Issue 1848.

**Thomas Skidmore**, for stealing a gun from Joseph Grant, six months imprisonment & HL, at QS

*The Bristol Mercury* Monday, October 15, 1827; Issue 1957.

Committed to Gaol for stealing a box and £2 in money from Robt. Triggs, **Thomas Skidmore**.

**Ann Skidmore**, committal date 4 Dec 1832, age 20, U, Bristol St. Peters, Q/Gc5/4, laundry woman, Gaol. Gloucester Record Office.

**William Skidmore**, 1839, U, Frampton Cotter, Q/Gc5/6, hatter, Gaol. Gloucester Record Office.

People in Prisons 1840, Ref AJCP FILM NO 2803 & 2804, N/O 27/60, p.286 Gloucester, Reel No 2804

**William Skidmore** Reads writes imperfectly 4p.305 Age 23. Committal date 23 Dec 1839. Hatter of Frampton Cotterell.

Convicted County Assizes 31 March 1840 for Poaching in the night time, Not guilty.

(also with William WEBBS 26 imp & John WILTSHIRE 24 imp).

**Orson Skidmore**, 1847, U, of Longford, Q/Gc6/1, brickmaker, Gaol. Gloucester Record Office.

Degree of Instruction 'N[one]'. Age 26. Gloucester County Sessions 19 October 1847, p.372. Larceny. No Bill.

**Moses Skidmore**, 1854, Gloucester Assizes 19 July 1854, p.356. 'feloniously receiving stolen goods'. Not guilty.

## APPRENTICESHIPS

**Apprentices of Britain 1710 to 1774** [OriginsNetwork.com].

**London Apprenticeship Abstracts 1442-1850.**

**1696 Association Oath Rolls For The Livery Companies 1696.**

**Robert Skidmur**, feltmaker.

**The following documents are held at Bristol Record Office:**

**1806 James Scudamore**, a poor child aged 12, by churchwardens and overseers of F.C. (same as no. 61), to Daniel Scudamore, hatter of F.C., until J.S. is 21, to learn hatting. D.S. (X). Allowed by Samuel Webb (S), Henry Brooke (S), J.P.'s. **P/FC/OP/5/62 26 June 1806**

Note same date as George & William below.

**1806 George Scudamore**, a poor child aged 13, by Henry Andrews and Robert Turner, churchwardens, and William Millet and John Screen Tovey, overseers of F.C., to Daniel Scudamore, hatter of F.C., until G.S. is 21, to learn hatting. D.S. (X). Allowed by Samuel Webb (S), Henry Brooke (S), J.P.'s. **P/FC/OP/5/61 26 June 1806**

**1806 William Scudamore**, a poor child aged 14, by churchwardens and overseers of F.C. (same as nos. 61-2), to Daniel Scudamore, hatter of F.C., until W.S. is 21, to learn hatting. D.S. (X). Allowed by Samuel Webb (S), Henry Brooke (S), J.P.'s. **P/FC/OP/5/63 26 June 1806**

**1806 William Skidmore**, a poor child aged 14, by Henry Andrews and Robert Turner, churchwardens, and John Screen Tovey and James Palser, overseers of F.C., to John Ovens, feltmaker of F.C., until W.S. is 21, to feltmaking. J.O. (S). Allowed by Samuel Webb (S) and Joseph A. Small (S), J.P.'s. **P/FC/OP/5/60 13 February 1806. R.O.**

**1813 John Skidmore**, a poor child aged 14, by John Screen Tovey and Robert Turner, churchwardens [*of St Peter's, Frampton Cotterell*], and William Thornwell and Abraham Puggins, to learn feltmaking. D.S. (X). Witnessed by William Millett, farmer of F.C. (S). Allowed by Gabriel Goldney (S), R.B. Deverall (S), J.P.'s. **P/FC/OP/5/67 16 June 1813.**

## DIRECTORIES

Kelly's Directory of Somersetshire with the City of Bristol 1889:

Miss Martha SKIDMORE, ladies' and children's outfitters, Hill Road, Clevedon.

Charles SKIDMORE, boot & shoe maker, 10 Victoria Buildings.

Charles SKIDMORE, boot maker, 10 Redfield Rd, St George's.  
 George SCUDAMORE, grocer, 29 Penn Street.  
 George SCUDAMORE, provision dealer, 29 Wade Street.  
 George Henry SKIDMORE, boot maker & earthenware dealer, Redfield Road, St George.  
 Luke SKIDMORE, boot maker, 160 Stapleton Road.  
 Luke SCUDAMORE, boot maker, Clarke Street, St Philip's.  
 Sidney Alfred SKIDMORE, Blackemore's Head P.H., 55 Clarence Road, continuation of West St. to Lawrence Hill.  
 William SKIDMORE, Gloucester Avenue, Upper Eastville.

### NON-CONFORMIST DOCUMENTS HELD AT GLOUCESTER RECORD OFFICE

1844	Scudamore	John	Father		D6026/8/1
1844	Scudamore	Hannah	Mother		D6026/8/1
1844	Scudamore	Hannah	Child		D6026/8/1
1882	Skidmore	Edwin	Father	Berkeley	D3187/2/2/
1882	Skidmore	Amelia	Mother	Berkeley	D3187/2/2/
1882	Skidmore	Caleb	Child	Berkeley	D3187/2/2/
1883	Skidmore	Alfred Henry	Father	Gloucester	D2689/2/7/
1883	Skidmore	Jane	Mother	Gloucester	D2689/2/7/
1883	Skidmore	Sydney Ernest	Child	Gloucester	D2689/2/7/
1891	Skidmore	Frederick George	Father	Gloucester	D6143/1/2
1891	Skidmore	Alice	Mother	Gloucester	D6143/1/2
1891	Skidmore	Frederick William	Child	Gloucester	D6143/1/2
1894	Skidmore	Alice Brooks	Mother	Gloucester	D6143/1/2
1894	Skidmore	Edith Kate	Child	Gloucester	D6143/1/2
1894	Skidmore	Frederick George	Father	Gloucester	D6143/1/2
1906	Scudamore	Julia	Mother	Stroud	D3187/1/3/
1908	Scudamore	Julia	Mother	Stroud	D3187/1/3/
1908	Scudamore	Erica Mary	Child	Stroud	D3187/1/3/

### POOR LAW

These documents are held at Bristol Record Office.

1822 From St. Philip & St. Jacob out-parish: **Elizabeth Scudamore**, a pregnant unmarried woman. Gabriel Goldney (S), H.W. Newman (S), J.P.'s. **P/FC/OP/3/45 14-11-1822**

1806 [no title] **P/FC/C/1/5 8th May, 1806**

Warrant by Thomas Broughton to **John Scudamore**, charged by John Screen Fovey, acting overseer of Frampton Cotterell: absconding from parish leaving a wife and three children chargeable to parish.

1807 **P/FC/OP/2/21 16-4-1807**

To Chipping Sodbury: Ann Scudamore, singlewoman. Samuel Webb (S), Richard Ivyleafe (S), J.P.'s.  
 These documents are held at Bristol Record Office.

1830 **P/FC/OP/4/19 2nd June, 1830**

Harriett Scidmore, F.C. and Menythusloyne, co. Monmouth. Married to John Scidmore, collier. Lived next door to George and Ann Scidmore. Appears George went to London and George brought back to F.C. Made mark. Also information supplied by Ann Church. Made mark.

1830 **P/FC/OP/3/59 2.6.1830**

From Mynyddyslwyn (Monmouthshire): Harriet, wife of John Skidmore, children Ann (5 years old), Martha (3 years old), Matilda (12 months old). William Phillips (S), J.P.s (Monmouthshire). [Endorsed: John Norris (S)]: (fragmentary)

1831 **P/FC/OP/2/33A, B** 29th December 1831

To Bermondsey (Surrey): Esther, wife of George Skidmore, who has deserted her, children Elizabeth (9 years old), Caroline (6 years old), George (5 years old), Mary Ann (11 months old). Charles Walkey (S), H.W. Newman (S), J.P.'s. These documents are held at Record Office.

## TITLE DEEDS

These documents are held at Bristol Record Office.

1920 [no title] **12145/229** 1920 July 1

Duplicate conveyance

1. Edward Arthur Bigg and ors., trustees of Ald.Stevens' Charity

2. Henry Park of 23 Tyne Road, Bishopston

3. **Scudamore's Stores, Ltd.**, 33 Old Market Street

Premises: 33 Old Market Street, St. Philip & Jacob

Considerations: £2,630 and £100

With schedule of deeds, 1852 Dec.15-1877 June 26, and plan of premises.

*The Bristol Mercury* Saturday, March 4, 1843; Issue 2763.

Sale of houses in Winterbourne in possession of Pinnell Skidmore and Thomas Skidmore.

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