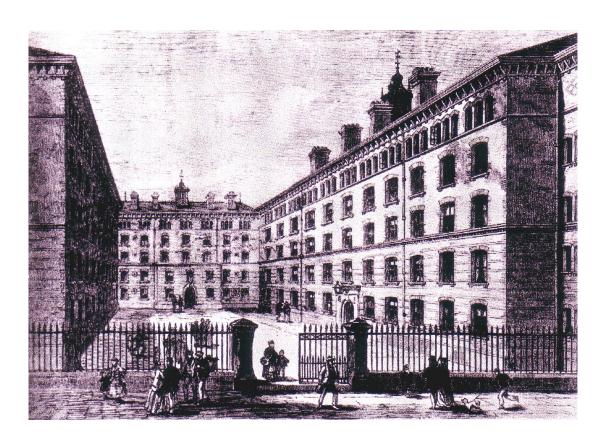


A short account

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Peabody Buildings, London. Thomas Samuel Hunt and his wife Mary Ann (nee Day) lived in a block such as this, and on 25 March 1877 their son, Thomas Francis Hunt was born in Peabody Buildings, Islington.

CHAPTER 1 THE BEGINNING AND THE BACKGROUND

The founder of the Hunt family so far as this document goes is **Henry Hunt**. Unfortunately we know little about him as the only reference to him which I have found is in the marriage certificate of his son, Henry James Hunt. The name of Henry Hunt was very common in the London area in the early 1800s and I have not been able to find enough information to definitely identify him, although future research may possibly bring more to light.

Henry Hunt's son, Henry James Hunt was born in 1827, so we may assume that Henry Hunt was born between 1790 and 1810. We do not know when he died, although we know that he was alive at the date of Henry James Hunt's marriage on 24 March 1850 as he would have been described as "deceased" on the marriage certificate if he had died by that date. We do know that in 1850 he was a Labourer probably living in London. To place his life in context we should consider what social conditions were like at the time he was a young man.

The following extract from Encyclopedia Britannica paints a vivid picture of social conditions in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries:-

" To peer in imagination into the hovels of the poor or to walk down streets with open drains between houses decayed into crowded tenements, to visit shanty towns outside the walls, such as London's Bethnal Green or Paris' Faubourg Saint-Marcel, to learn that the latter city's great open sewer was not covered until 1740, is to understand why mortality rates among the poor were so high. In town and country they lived in one or two rooms, often under the same roof as their animals, sleeping on straw, eating with their fingers or with a knife and spoon, washing infrequently, and tolerating lice and fleas. Outside, dung and refuse attracted flies and rodents. Luckier people, particularly in the north, might have had glass in their windows, but light was less important than warmth. In airless rooms, thick with the odours of dampness, defecation, smoke, and unwashed bodies, rheumatic or bronchial ailments might be the least of troubles. Deficient diet in childhood could mean rickety legs. Crude methods of delivery might cause permanent damage to both mothers and children who survived the attentions of the local midwife. The baby who survived (one in four died in the first year of life) was launched on a hazardous journey.

Some diseases, such as measles, seem to have been more virulent then than now.

Typhus, spread by lice and fleas, and typhoid, waterborne, killed many. Tuberculosis was less common than it was to become. Cancer, though hard To recognize from contemporary accounts, was certainly rare: with relatively little smoking and with so many other diseases competing for the vulnerable body, that is not surprising. There were few illnesses, mental or physical, of the kind today caused by stress. Alcoholism was less common, despite the increase in the drinking of spirits that debauched city dwellers: cheap gin became a significant social problem in William Hogarth's London.

Developments in water treatment.

In addition to quantity of supply, water quality is also of concern. Even the ancients had an appreciation for the importance of water purity. Sanskrit writings from as early as 2000 BC tell how to purify foul water by boiling and filtering.

But it was not until the middle of the 19th century that a direct link between polluted water and disease (cholera) was proved. And it was not until the end of that same century that the German bacteriologist Robert Koch proved the germ theory of disease, establishing a scientific basis for the treatment and sanitation of drinking water.

At the end of the 19th century and the beginning of the 20th, the main goal Was elimination of deadly waterborne diseases. The treatment of public drinking water to remove pathogenic, or disease-causing, micro organisms began about that time.

Treatment methods included sand filtration as well as the use of chlorine for disinfection. The virtual elimination of diseases such as cholera and typhoid in developed countries proved the success of this water treatment technology."

King George III was on the throne (he reigned from 1760 to 1820). England was under threat from invasion by the French led by Napoleon Bonaparte and Martello Towers were being built around the coastline to defend the country against the French. Income Tax was first levied in 1799 to pay for the Napoleonic wars. Income under £60 per annum was exempt, there were lower rates for income between £60 and £200 per annum, and for income over £200 per annum the rate was 10% or two shillings in the pound. With the defeat of Napoleon by the Duke of Wellington at Waterloo on 18 June 1815 the income tax lapsed until it was reintroduced in 1842.

If Henry Hunt had been able to read, the works of the poets Scott, Byron, Keats, Shelley, and Wordsworth flourished at this time, and their lives were contemporaneous with his own.

Houses were lit by candles and oil lamps with glass chimneys burning vegetable or whale oil. Kerosene or paraffin was not used until after the first well was drilled in England in 1859. The first domestic gas lighting was used by William Murdock in his home in Redruth, Cornwall in 1792. The early gas lights were a fishtail jet of burning gas until the invention of gas mantles which gave a much brighter light.

Streets were not lit until the early 1800s when cities introduced gas lighting of streets - this continued until the 1950s when electricity became the norm.

The Industrial Revolution was growing with the discovery and improvement of the use of steam as a source of power. Mills and factories were converted to steam power from water and wind power. In 1812 Scottish engineer Henry Bell launched the first commercially successful steamship "Comet" a 28 ton vessel used to carry passengers and cargo, and this heralded the era of steam navigation.

So far as education was concerned, the Factory Act of 1802, which applied throughout the UK, required that during the first four years of their apprenticeship children employed by the owners of the newly arising factories were taught reading,

writing, and arithmetic. The requirement was not always observed, but it embodied a new principle.

The British and Foreign Schools Society (1808) (the free churches) and the National Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor in the Principles of the Established Church (1811) (the Church of England) set up schools in which basic literacy and numeracy as well as religious knowledge were taught. In 1862, government grants became available for the first time for schools attended by children up to 12. A further act of 1918 raised the school-leaving age to 14.

Housing in the cities in the early 1800s was a great problem. Countrymen flocked to work in the factories in ever increasing numbers. Building could not keep up with demand. Existing houses were divided up into tenements in which only the more fortunate families had a whole room to themselves. Rents were so high and wages so low that people were forced to accept appalling conditions. Some lived in dank, windowless cellars. Others were packed sometimes as many as twenty into a single room. For many the sole accommodation was a rented share in another person's bed. The Public Health Act of 1848 sought to establish minimum building standards, and by 1875 no house could be built in a city unless it had a mains water supply, reasonably high rooms, each with a window, and a backyard at least ten feet square.

In the 1860s an American Philanthropist, George Peabody, built apartment blocks in London. They were five storeys high, and each flat had four rooms, piped water and a lavatory - quite a luxury at the time! As we progress through the generation of the Hunt family we shall come to Thomas Samuel Hunt and his wife Mary Ann Hunt (nee DAY). One of their sons, Thomas Francis Hunt was born on Sunday 25 March 1877 at Peabody Buildings, Islington East. We may assume that this was one of George Peabody's apartment blocks. A picture of such a building is on the cover of this document.

Steam railway travel for passengers started in 1830 and spread very rapidly throughout the country.

The Salvation Army was founded in Whitechapel by William Booth on 23 July 1865.

Overseas Britain occupied and established the Cape Colony in South Africa in 1806.

This then is the world in which Henry Hunt lived, working as a Labourer in London.

CHAPTER 2 THE SECOND GENERATION - HENRY JAMES HUNT AND OTHERS

Henry James Hunt, the son of Henry Hunt was born about 1827. We do not know the name of his mother as Civil Registration Records did not begin until 1837.

What information we have we glean from his marriage certificate. At the age of 23 he was married on 24 March 1850 to **Eliza Emma HULL** at the Parish Church of St Mary Haggerston, Middlesex after Banns had been called on three consecutive Sundays. Henry James was a Labourer following in the steps of his father. He is described as a bachelor and accordingly this is his first marriage.

His new wife Eliza was 19 years old so born about 1831. She was a spinster, so previously unmarried. Eliza is not stated to have any occupation and presumably helped at home with housework. Her father, George HULL was a carpenter.

At the time of the marriage both Henry James and Eliza were living at Margaret Street, Haggerston. I have not been able to locate this street in the area on my 1957 London street atlas so the street may well have been demolished or renamed.

The witnesses to the marriage were Henry Hunt and Elizabeth Hunt. It is possible that Elizabeth Hunt may have been the mother of Henry James. In any event she was illiterate as she made her mark instead of signing. All others signed their names.

On Tuesday 26 December 1854 Henry James and Eliza Emma were living at 31 Ironmonger Street, St Luke, in the Sub-district of City Road, Middlesex (Finsbury EC 1) at which time Henry James had become a Labourer at the Gas Works. On my 1957 map of London there are two Gas Works at Haggerston, one off Laburnum Street, and a larger Gas Works, the Imperial Gas Works off Whiston Road. At the time of his son, Thomas Samuel's marriage in 1873 Henry James had risen to be a "Stationary Engine Driver".

On the 1871 Census we find Henry James living at 2 Broad Yard (Elder Walk), Islington, Middlesex with his children. Henry James is described as married but his wife, Eliza Emma Hunt is not shown as living with him on Census night. The Census entry is as follows:

Islington Middlesex Ward of St Peter, Parliamentary Borough of Finsbury, Ecclesiastical District of St Phillips.

2 Broad Yard (Elder Walk)

Name		Condition	Age	Occupation	Where Born
Henry Hunt Clapton	Head	Married	43	Engine Driver	Middx. Upper
Henry G. H. Hunt	Son	Single	18		Middx. London
Thomas Hunt	Son	Single	16	Labourer	Middx. London
James Hunt	Son	Single	12		Middx. London
Arthur Hunt	Son	Single	7		Middx. London
Edith Hunt	Daur	Single	2		Middx. London

My uncle, Stanley Allan Hunt (in this booklet I shall call him "Uncle Stan") believes that Henry James Hunt may have been employed at the Crystal Palace driving the engine that operated the lifts.

I have found seven children of their marriage. At that time it was customary to have large families as the survival rate of infants was not high so it is possible that there are other offspring still to be found. The 1851 and 1861 Census returns still have to be inspected and these may reveal much more information.

I have not yet been able to establish when and where Henry James and Eliza Emma died.

Henry James Hunt had five sons and two daughters:-

Eliza Jane Hunt born about 1852

Henry George H. Hunt born on Saturday 1 January 1853 at 20 Glass House Street, Vauxhall, Lambeth, Surrey

Thomas Samuel Hunt (sometimes called Samuel Thomas Hunt) born on 26 December 1854 at 31 Ironmonger Street, St Luke, Middlesex

Walter James Hunt born 4 April 1857 in the Shoreditch registration district. **James Frederick Hunt** born between July and September 1869 in the Shoreditch registration district.

Arthur Charles Hunt born 27 July 1863 in St Luke's, Shoreditch registration district.

Edith Hunt born about 1869.

More of these in the next chapter.

CHAPTER 3

THE THIRD HUNT GENERATION – HENRY GEORGE H., THOMAS SAMUEL, WALTER JAMES, JAMES FREDERICK, ARTHUR CHARLES AND EDITH HUNT

On New Year's Day 1853 Henry George H. Hunt was born at home at 20 Glass House Street, Vauxhall, Lambeth. He was baptized at the Church of St John the Baptist, Shoreditch on Sunday 26 September 1858. [The date of 1858 is taken from the IGI index and perhaps is an error in transcription and should be 1853. The original records would need to be checked. In 1858 the 26 September fell on a Sunday whereas in 1853 it fell on a Monday so 1858 is probably correct.]

At the age of 20 Henry George married Eliza PUDDICOMBE at the Congregational Church, Britannia Row, Islington on Christmas Day, Thursday 25 December 1873. This is the same church at which his brother Thomas Samuel had been married in the previous April. Eliza Puddicombe was aged 22 at the date of the marriage. Her father was William Puddicombe who was employed as a Letter Carrier. Henry George was employed as a Cabinet Maker and at the date of his marriage was living at 5 North Block, Peabody Square, Islington. Witnesses to the marriage were William Puddicombe and Charlotte Lee. At present I have found no children of the marriage. We find Henry George and Eliza on the 1891 Census living at 64 Canonbury Road, Islington sharing the property with Thomas A. Blacket, his wife, their three children and their domestic servant. Henry George is now a music seller (classified by the census as "Books"). The 1901 Census tells us that Henry George is aged 48 and is working as a Warehouseman. He and his wife, Eliza (aged 49 on the Census) are sharing a dwelling at 85 Halton Road, Islington with Henry Hatch, his wife Louisa and their four children as well as a Robert Stewart who was a boarder from Scotland.

The Congregational Church at Britannia Row originated in mission work in Elder Walk, Essex Road, started by the Harcourt chapel and continued under London City Missionary. The branch was formed in 1865 with 16 members meeting in the school room which seated 150. Membership rose to 152 in 1871 when the church was built 1871 – 1872 in Britannia Row with assistance from Harcourt chapel. The new church seated 500 in 1884. In 1903 attendance at morning service was 103 and in the afternoon 139. The Church was bombed in 1940 and was not rebuilt. [The Victoria County History. A History of the County of Middlesex Vol. VIII]

On Boxing Day, Thursday, 26 December 1854 Henry James Hunt and Eliza Emma Hunt received the gift of a son, Thomas Samuel Hunt. Thomas was born at home at 31 Ironmonger Street, Saint Luke.

On the 1871 Census we find Thomas aged 16 employed as a Labourer and living with his parents and siblings at 2 Broad Yard (Elder Walk), Islington, Middlesex.

At the age of 19 Thomas was a Croquet Painter and decided that he could afford to marry. On Monday, 14 April 1873 Thomas Hunt (he had dropped the Samuel) married **Mary Ann DAY** in Elder Walk Chapel, Britannia Row, Islington, Middlesex. He was a bachelor, and she was a spinster. The Elder Walk Chapel was built in 1871 - 2 as mentioned above so the marriage of Thomas and Mary Ann would have been one of the earliest marriages in the new Chapel.

Mary Ann was aged 18 having been born on Sunday 1 July 1855. The Minister who married them was Matthew Smith and the Registrar had to be present as they were not married in the Established Church of England, but according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Congregationalists. A Certificate replaced the traditional Banns of Marriage.

The witnesses to the marriage were John Bowden and Adelaide Bowden. I can find no relationship to the Bowden family on the Hunt side so they may have been related to Mary Ann. Alternatively the marriage may have been without parental blessing and the Bowdens were just friends.

On the 1881 Census there is a John and Adelaide Bowden, his wife, living at 19 Henry Road, Tottenham, Middlesex. John was born in Jersey, Channel Islands about 1826 and was a Carpenter Joiner. Could he have been a work-mate of Thomas? Adelaide was born in Ramsgate, Kent about 1843 and was a Laundress.

At the date of their marriage both Thomas Samuel HUNT and Mary Ann DAY were living at 4 Jay's Buildings, Rodney Street North, Islington.

Mary Ann DAY was the daughter of William DAY, a Cabman in April 1873. Presumably he drove a horse drawn cab. More information about Mary Ann's family has been gleaned from the 1871 Census for the Parish of Islington All Saints, Municipal Borough of Finsbury, Ward of Thornhill & Barnsbury in which is the following entry:-

"189 4 Jays Buildings, Rodney Street North, Islington.

			Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
William DAY	Head		35	Labourer	Islington
Harriet DAY	Wife		35	Charwoman	Epping
Francis DAY	Son	Single	18	Shopman	Islington
Marian DAY	Daur	Single	15	Capsule C(o)lner	Islington
Marian DAY William DAY	Daur Son	Single	15 11	Capsule C(o)lner Scholar	Islington Islington
		Single		•	_

Whatever a "Capsule C(o)lner was, I have no idea! Perhaps the word C(o)lner should be "Colourer".

On the 1881 Census for Islington Mary Ann is aged 25, married to Thomas, has no occupation and is living at 4 Jay's buildings, Islington. On the Birth Certificate for her son Sidney James Hunt, Mary Ann made her mark so we know that she was illiterate.

Jack Weatherall in Canada thought that Mary Ann DAY was an Irish girl whose name was O'Day and who was born in 1855 and died in 1923. However I have obtained a copy of the Birth and Death Certificates of Mary Ann Hunt (nee DAY) which confirms that she was born on 1 July 1855 at 73 Windsor Street, Islington East and died aged 68 on 19 December 1923 in Cardiff Royal Infirmary. The cause of her

death was cancer of the pancreas. Her husband Thomas Samuel registered the death and his address at that time was 66 Wyndham Crescent, Cardiff, Wales.

As Thomas Samuel HUNT was living at 4 Jay's Buildings at the time of his marriage to Mary Ann DAY it may be that he had left his parents home as 4 Jay's Buildings had been the home of the DAY family for several years, and Thomas and Mary Ann were still living there eight years after their marriage, and had raised their children there.

On the 1881 Census we find the following entries:-

4 Jay's Buildings, Isl	ington				
William DAY	Head	45		Carman	Islington
Harriet DAY	Wife	45			Epping,
Essex					
William DAY	Son	21	Single	Carman	Islington
Robert Henry DAY	Son	19	Single	Carman (Painter)	Islington
Emma DAY	Daur	17	Single	Boxing Glove Sewer	Islington
4 Jay's Buildings, Isl	ington				
Thomas Samuel Hun	t Head	26		Painter	Islington
Mary Ann Hunt	Wife	25			Islington
Ada Hunt	Daur	7			Islington
Florence Hunt	Daur	6			Islington
Thomas Hunt	Son	4			Islington
Herbert Hunt	Son	1			Islington

It is interesting to note that each of the properties 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 Jay's Buildings was occupied by a "Carman" and number 8 was occupied by "Horse keepers" and a Stable Boy.

Presumably the horses for the cabs were kept at or close by Jay's Buildings and possibly the accommodation was provided as part of the employment of the cabmen. Most properties also housed other families living together as in the case of the Days and the Hunts. It is not known how large the properties were, but they may well have been rather overcrowded.

Uncle Stan has told me that Thomas Samuel (who was his grandfather) was an inventor and invented the wind up post mechanism for raising and lowering tennis court nets. He invented ideas for sports goods and had an arrangement with Ayres Bros., a sports firm who had premises opposite the entrance to Farringdon Station (not in Farringdon Road, but just off). It might be possible to verify this by searching in the Patents Office but the search fees are expensive. I have found the firm of Frederick Henry Ayres at 111 Aldersgate Street, London E. C. in the Post Office London Directory for 1902. The firm is described as a Games and Sports Warehouse. On the television programme "The Antiques Road Show" transmitted on BBC 1 on 13 October 2002 there was a rocking horse which the experts believed to have been made by F. H. Ayres. The rocking horse was in a poor condition and where the gesso covering had been broken away the wooden blocks from which it was constructed were visible. Did Thomas Samuel Hunt have a hand in making it I wonder? He was a carpenter and a painter at that firm.

Uncle Stan told me he remembers Thomas Samuel Hunt coming to his home to repair some furniture when he (Stan) was 6 - 8 years old. Uncle Stan was born in 1914, so that would have been in about 1920 - 1922.

In 1879 on the Birth Certificate of his son Herbert Henry Hunt, Thomas Samuel is described as a Fancy Goods Painter. He was then living with Mary Ann Hunt at 2 Popham Road, Islington East. On 3 May 1891 on the Birth Certificate of Sidney James Hunt Thomas is living at 89 Nevill Road, Stoke Newington, Hackney, London and his occupation is a Billiard Table Liner.

There was a Renaming of Streets Order dated 2nd August 1872 which renamed the following streets as Popham Road, Islington:-

Frog Lane (Numbers 5 - 65), New Norfolk Street, Popham Terrace, South Place, The Terrace.

This information was obtained from a black book at the Census Office which used to be in Portugal Street, London, but which is probably now kept at the Family Records Centre.

The 1891 Census for Stoke Newington, Hackney finds Thomas Samuel and his family living at 89 Nevill Road, Stoke Newington sharing the property with his brother Arthur Charles and a Boarder James M. Baillie, an electrical engineer, his wife Emma and their 5 year old daughter Florence G.

The entries on the 1891 Census are:-

Head	M	Age 36	Painter	Born L	ondon, St	;
				Luke's		
Wife	M	Age 35		Born L	ondon,	
				Islingto	on	
Daur	S	Age 17	Packer of Games	"	"	"
Daur	S	Age 16	Polisher	"	"	"
Son	S	Age 14	Errand Boy	"	"	"
Son	S	Age 11	Scholar	"	"	"
Son	S	Age 9	Scholar	"	"	"
Son	S	Age 2		Born Lo	ondon,	
				Clerke	nwell	
Brothe	er S	Age 27	Golf Maker	Born L	ondon, St	
		-		Luke's		
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In 1898 on his son Herbert Henry Hunt's Marriage Certificate, Thomas Samuel is described as a Carpenter.

Thomas Samuel and Mary Ann had ten children: -

Ada Lilian Hunt born 1873

Florence Maud Hunt born 1875

Thomas Francis Hunt born 25 March 1877

Herbert Henry Hunt(my Grandfather) born 26 October 1879

Francis William Hunt born 1881 Henry Ernest Hunt born 5 September 1888 Sidney James HUNT born 3 May 1891 Maude Ethel Hunt born 1893 Eleanor Winifred Hunt born 1896 Horace George Hunt born 1899

Some of the above family are shown on the 1891 Census. Their story will be told in the next chapter.

In 1901 the Census which has only recently been made available has the following entries:-

81 Hoe Street, Waltha	ımstow					В	orn
Thomas S. Hunt	Head	M	Age 46	Car	penter	London,	St Luke's
Mary A. Hunt	Wife	M	Age 45			London,	Islington
Florence Hunt	Daughter	S	Age 26			"	"
Francis W. Hunt	Son	S	Age 19	Car	penter	"	"
Henry Hunt	Son	S	Age 12			London,	
Clerkenwell							
Sidney Hunt	Son	S	Age 10			London,	Stoke
Newington							
Maud Hunt	Daughter	S	Age 7			London,	
Clerkenwell							
Eleana Hunt	Daughter	S	Age 5			London,	Brixton
(?)							
Ernest Hunt	Grandson	ı S	Age 3			Essex,	
Walthamstow							
Horace Hunt	Son	S	Age 1			"	"
George F. Woodyard	Head	M	Age 26	Carpenter		London,	
Shoreditch							
*** Ada L Woodyard	Wife	M	Age 27			London,	Islington
George T. Woodyard	Son	S	Age 1			Essex,	
Walthamstow							
Mabel T. Woodyard	Daur	S	Age 5 m	onths		Essex,	
Walthamstow							

*** Ada L. Woodyard was Ada Lillian Hunt, the daughter of Thomas Samuel Hunt. It would seem that Ernest Hunt the grandson aged 3 on the Census may have been the child of Ada before she married George Frederick Woodyard.

Thomas Samuel Hunt died aged 72 on 18 February 1927 at 30 High Street, Pontypridd, County of Glamorgan. The cause of death was 1) Acute Bronchitis 2) Heart failure. His occupation was given as Carpenter and Joiner (journeyman). His death was registered by his son Sidney James Hunt who was present at his death and who lived at 30 High Street, Pontypridd. It seems that Thomas was either living with or visiting his son.

Arthur Charles Hunt was born on 27 July 1863 in the district of London, St Luke's. He was baptized on 16 August 1863 at the Church of St John the Baptist, Shoreditch.

On the 1891 Census Arthur Charles was still unmarried and was employed as a "Golf Maker". It is possible that he was working with his brother Thomas Samuel at Frederick Henry Ayres Games and Sports Warehouse, 111 Aldersgate Street. He was then living with his brother Thomas Samuel and his family at 89 Nevill Road, Stoke Newington, Hackney.

Uncle Stan remembers meeting Arthur Charles Hunt when Stan was aged about 14 or 15. At that time Stan was making models of aircraft and an aerodrome and had invented a bagatelle type game. Arthur Charles had helped Stan by telling him how to fix the green baize on his models. Stan recalled that Arthur was a very kindly man. He did not think that Arthur had married but could not be sure on this point, but believed that he had been living at Stoke Newington.

Walter James Hunt was born on 4 April 1857 and was baptized on 14 June 1857 at the Church of St John the Baptist, Shoreditch. Walter James may have died in 1858 as there is an entry in the G.R.O. Register of deaths for a Walter James Hunt at Shoreditch but this has to be confirmed.

James Frederick Hunt was born between July and September 1859 in the Shoreditch registration district. On the 1861 Census he is aged 1 and living at 30 Turners Place, Shoreditch, Tower Hamlets, Parish of Holy Trinity, Hoxton. By the 1871 Census he is aged 12 and living at 2 Broad Yard (Elder Walk), Islington, Middlesex.

Edith Hunt is shown on the 1871 Census aged 2 and living at 2 Broad Yard (Elder Walk), Islington, Middlesex. She was born between July and September 1869 in Islington and her name was registered as Edith Fanny Hunt. Between January and March 1890 at the age of 19 she married Charles WHITEHOUSE (who was born about 1871) in the Shoreditch registration district.

In the 1891 census Edith and Charles were registered as living at 33 Arlington St, Islington South. Charles was a machine fitter and they had a daughter Ellen who was 8 months old.

In the 1901 census Edith is living with her In laws James Thomas WHITEHOUSE and Ellen WHITEHOUSE along with her children Cora and Gordon Joseph, but there is no sign of her husband Charles in the census.

Edith and Charles had four children:-

Ellen WHITEHOUSE born between April and June 1890. Ellen only survived to the age of five and between October and December 1895 she died.

Cora Lena WHITEHOUSE born about 1896 in Islington.

Gordon Joseph WHITEHOUSE born 27 February 1899 in Islington.

Winifred Doris WHITEHOUSE born between January and March 1903.

Edith Fanny Hunt died in 1947 and was buried in Kingston Cemetery, Portsmouth.

Cora Lena WHITEHOUSE married George TOMES, a stone mason, on 3 June 1915 in the Parish Church of Portsea. George TOMES was 24, a Bachelor and a Stonemason his residence was 74 Renny Road Portsmouth (the house is still there). His father was Richard Ulston Tomes a Stonemason. Cora Lena WHITEHOUSE was 19, a Spinster of 49 Beecham Road and her father was given as Charles Whitehouse a Fitter. Witnesses to the marriage were Winifred Doris Whitehouse and Henry George Hunt. S G Hooper was the Curate.

It is not thought that Cora and George had any children. Cora died between January and March 1987 in Portsmouth.

Gordon Joseph WHITEHOUSE married Ella Margaret COOK on 28 June 1924 in Petersfield and they had a son Brian WHITEHOUSE born in 1925.

Winifred Doris WHITEHOUSE married William Marston GRAY in the Parish Church of St Mary, Portsea on 22 July 1922 and they had a son Stanley M. GRAY born at Portsmouth between July and September 1924. William Marston GRAY was a Leading Seaman at H.M.S. Dolphin and his father Frederick GRAY was a Bricklayer. At the date of their marriage Winifred was living at 128 Hampshire Street.

Gordon Joseph WHITEHOUSE was employed as an Asylum Assistant and he died on 6 August 1931 at the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Portsmouth.

CHAPTER 4 THE FOURTH GENERATION THE CHILDREN OF THOMAS SAMUEL HUNT

This period saw the opening in 1890 of the first section of the London Underground railway, The City and South London Railway which ran beneath the River Thames. Marconi first sent radio signals across the Atlantic Ocean in 1901. Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in 1876. In photography portraiture had started in about 1850 but celluloid based film was introduced in 1889 making it easier to take photographs as roll film became available and the Kodak box camera was introduced. The first cinema camera, the Kinetograph using 35mm film came into use in 1891. This was hand cranked, relying on the operators skill to maintain a steady 16 frames per second - hence the very jerky early films! Cinemas first opened in 1895.

Steam railway travel for passengers had started in 1830 and had spread very rapidly throughout the country.

Abroad there were two Boer Wars in South Africa, essentially fought for the gold and diamonds of the Transvaal, the first from 1880 to 1881 which was lost by the British, and the second from October 1899 to May 1902. This war ended with the Peace of Vereeniging following the Boer defeat.

These are some of the events which influenced the lives of this generation.

Thomas Samuel Hunt and Mary Ann Hunt (nee DAY) had ten children following their marriage in 1873. From the 1881 Census for 4 Jay's Buildings, Islington we find the four following children:-

Ada Lilian	born 1873
Florence Maud	born 1875

Thomas Francis born 25 March 1877 Herbert Henry born 26 October 1879

Born after the 1881 Census we find (not necessarily in order of birth):-

Francis (Frank) William	born 1881
Henry Ernest	born 5 September 1888
Sidney James	born 3 May 1891 *
Maude Ethel	born 1893 *
Eleanor Winifred	born 1896
Horace George	born 1899 *

^{*} Uncle Stan believed these three may have moved to Wales

ADA LILIAN. HUNT

On the 1901 Census Ada was living at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow with her parents and brothers and sisters. It seems from the census that Ada may have had a son, **Ernest HUNT** in 1898. On 22 October 1898 Ada married **George Frederick WOODYARD** in the Parish Church at Walthamstow, Essex. Witnesses to the marriage were Thomas Samuel Hunt and Florence Maud Hunt,

George Frederick WOODYARD was a Carpenter and Joiner and was born between October and December 1874 in the Shoreditch registration district. He was one of seven children all born in the Shoreditch area.

Ada and George Frederick had three children, **George Thomas A. WOODYARD**, born between October and December 1899 at Walthamstow in the West Ham registration district, **Mabel Florence WOODYARD** born between January and March 1901 at Walthamstow in the West Ham registration district and **Ruby L. WOODYARD** born on 4 April 1913 in the West Ham registration district..

On the 1901 Census Ada, George Frederick, George Thomas A. and Mabel Florence were all living with Thomas Samuel Hunt and family at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow. They later had a daughter Ruby L. WOODYARD who was born on 4 April 1913 in the West Ham registration district. No dates are known for the marriage of Ruby, or indeed if she did marry.

I have a copy of a 1911 Coronation Souvenir postcard dated Saturday 24th 1911 (no month in date) from Ada Lilian Woodyard (nee HUNT) addressed to Mrs Hunt, 36 Clonmel Road, Philip Lane Tottenham which reads

"Dear Em, Instead of coming this Wednesday, do you mind leaving your visit until the next Wednesday. I quite forgot that this is a short week, and funds will be low, I know you will understand, hope you dont mind. love to all. Ada."

The Em referred to in the postcard is Emma Louisa HUNT (nee HERBERT).. This gives an insight into the low level of income that George had at that time.

Ada and George Frederick WOODYARD moved to Wales, presumably after the birth of Ruby at West Ham and lived at Parcy Bryn, 42 College Road, Whitchurch, South Wales.. According to Ivy Grace Hunt's diary Ada died on 27 January 1938 and her husband George also died in the same year, 1938.

George Frederick WOODYARD in fact died on 23 April 1938 in The Royal Infirmary, Cardiff aged 63. At the time of his death he was living at 193 North Road, Cardiff. His death was caused by falling from a roof in which he sustained fractured ribs and spine resulting in pulmonary embolism. An inquest was held on 26 April 1938 by the Coroner for the City of Cardiff.

FLORENCE MAUD HUNT

Florence Maud Hunt was born at Islington in 1875. According to Jack Weatherall she emigrated to Australia, but it is not known when although it must have been after 1901 as she is shown on the census as living at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow with her parents at that date. Florence was working as a Polisher in 1891 and was then not married.

THOMAS FRANCIS HUNT

Thomas Francis Hunt was born on 25 March 1877 at Peabody Buildings, Islington East. A picture of Peabody Buildings in London is on the cover of this booklet, and see my previous comments regarding housing in Chapter 1.

Thomas Francis was living at 89 Nevill Road, Stoke Newington, Hackney with his parents in 1891 when he was employed as an Errand Boy.

At the age of 21 Thomas Francis married **Edith Victoria Elizabeth MEADOWS** on Palm Sunday, 17 April 1898 in Emmanuel Church, Camberwell, London.

Edith was born at 7 Greenwich Road, Greenwich West, Kent the daughter of Joseph MEADOWS and Emma MEADOWS (nee SHRUBSOLE) on 1 September 1875 so was 22 when she married. On the 1881 Census Edith was aged 6 and living at Rodewald House, Rodewald Road, Camberwell, Surrey.

On 27 October 1899 a daughter, **Ethel Margaret Hunt** was born to Thomas Francis and Edith. The birth took place at 6 Museum Terrace, St John Road, Walthamstow. At this time Thomas Francis was a carpenter journeyman.

On the 1901 Census we find Thomas Francis, his wife Edith and daughter Ethel Margaret living with Edith's father Joseph MEADOWS and his son Albert aged 18 and daughter Margaret aged 20 at number 52 Westbury Road, Walthamstow, London. Joseph Meadows was a widower, his wife Emma having died at the early age of 36 in 1889. Joseph was a self employed coffee stall keeper in 1901 and his son Albert was a waiter. His daughter Margaret was then a servant. Thomas Francis Hunt was still working as a carpenter journeyman.

Thomas Francis lived up to the "Journeyman" part of this description as he and his family eventually emigrated to Canada.

Thomas Francis and Edith had more children in England:-

Walter Edgar Hunt was born on 24 December 1901 in the West Ham registration district **Cyril Thomas Hunt** was born on 6 May 1904 in the West Ham registration district

Stanley Albert Hunt was born on 11 February 1906 in the Kingston registration district and died on 28th January, 1907.

Edith Irene Hunt was born on 4 January 1908 in the Kingston registration district.

On 26 March 1908 Thomas Francis Hunt with his wife Edith Victoria Elizabeth, and children Ethel Margaret, Walter Edgar, Cyril Thomas (Cyril A. on the passenger list) and Edith Irene set sail as second class passengers on the Dominion Line ship "Kensington" from Liverpool to Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Also travelling with them was Edith Margaret Meadows aged 27 described as a Domestic. Thomas Francis Hunt is described as a Farm Hand on the passenger list.

The ship carried 906 adults, 192 children aged between 1 and 12 years old and 28 infants, a total of 1126. Of these 201 travelled second class and 925 third class.

The reason for emigrating is not known. It could have been that work was hard to find in England, or that opportunities in a new country appealed to him, or it could have been just a sense of adventure. Perhaps we shall never know. At any event Thomas Francis and Edith increased the size of their family in Canada.

In 1910 another son, **Maynard Stanley Hunt** was born. The Canada branch of the Hunt tribe continued to grow with:-

Margaret Florence Hunt born 1912

Dorothy Patricia Hunt born 1914

Douglas Albert Hunt born 1917

Gwendolyn Ruth Hunt born 1919.

In all Thomas Francis and Edith had ten children of whom more in the next chapter.

Thomas Francis departed this life on 28 April 1960 at Ottawa, Canada aged 83, and his wife Edith followed on 13 October 1962 at Ottawa aged 87.

I have a copy of a photograph of a tombstone at Pinecrest Cemetery, Ottawa, Ontario on which there is the inscription:-

"HUNT, THOMAS FRANCIS 1877 - 1960 His Wife EDITH E. V. MEADOWS 1875 - 1962"

The photograph was taken in September 1980.

HERBERT HENRY HUNT (My Grandfather)

Herbert Henry was born on 26 October 1879 at 2 Popham Road, Islington, Middlesex. On the Census for 1891 my grandfather Herbert Henry Hunt was living with his parents at 89 Nevill Road, Stoke Newington, Hackney.

On Christmas Day, 25 December 1898 at the age of 19 he married **Emma Louisa HERBERT** in the Parish Church of St Philip, Kennington Road, Lambeth. When she married, Emma was aged 20, having been born on 27 July 1878 to Edward HERBERT and Eliza Louisa HERBERT (nee ROBINSON) at 17 Hargreave Square, Bermondsey, Surrey. On her birth certificate Emma Louisa's mother's surname is clearly given as ROBERTSON, a fact which led me a merry dance in trying to find her parents' marriage! A brief history of the HERBERT family is in a separate chapter at the end of this booklet.

When he married, Herbert's occupation was as a Photo-Etcher. He was living at 11 Fairford Grove - the same address as Emma Louisa. Herbert remained in the printing trade and became a Process Engraver Foreman. He worked at the Dalziel Foundry, Earl Street, Finsbury, London where his son Stanley Allan was apprenticed.

I remember my Grandmother, Emma Louisa telling me that she used to work in Cadbury's chocolate factory adding crystallized violets and other decorations on top of chocolates when all this kind of work was done by hand. Employees were allowed to eat as many chocolates as they liked, and after a few weeks she became sick of chocolates and ceased to eat them. A good ploy on the part of Cadbury's management!

Both her parents were deaf and dumb and she had had to learn sign language which she tried to teach me. I did learn some signs, but have now forgotten them.

I have seen a Salvation Army Life Assurance Policy No. 156603 receipt book for Emma. A penny a week was collected by the agent who was William HULL of 65 Camberwell New Road, London, S. E.. I wonder if there was any connection to Eliza Emma HULL who married Henry James HUNT in 1850.

On the Census for 1901 when they had been married for just over two years, Herbert Henry and Emma Louisa were living at 12 Deadworth (or possibly Readworth) Street, Lambeth in St Philips Parish Kennington Road. They had living with them a daughter Lilian aged one year who had been born in Kennington. They shared the property with three other families - Elijah Thurman a Police Constable with his wife and son, Harry Burcher a Scaffolder Builder with his wife and two sons and Henry J. Norton an Electrical Engineer who was unmarried. On the Census Herbert Henry is

described as a "Mounter Photo Engraving". Emma Louisa was aged 22 with no occupation, presumably staying at home looking after Lilian.

Herbert Henry and Emma moved house several times. Uncle Stan has given me some of the following addresses:- There are a couple of discrepancies to be checked.

1904: 87 Brettenham Road, Walthamstow.

1907: 129 Clonmell Road, West Green, Tottenham.

1914, 10 October: 45 Fairbourne Road, Mount Pleasant Road, Philip Lane,

Tottenham

1911: 36 Clonmell Road, Philip Lane, Tottenham, N. 15

1913: 9 Trinity Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex.

1914 October 10: 5 Dunloe Avenue, Tottenham, Middlesex.

Finally 2 Pendennis Road, Tottenham, Middlesex.

Herbert Henry and Emma Louisa had eight children:-

They were:-

Lilian Emma Hunt born at Kennington, London on 10 January 1900 with a twin child (unnamed) who died at the age of about three months.

Ivy Grace Hunt born 18 April 1902 in the Southwark registration district.

Herbert Henry Hunt (my Father) born 28 May 1904 at 47 Brettenham Road, Walthamstow.

Violet Elsie Hunt born 15 July 1910 at 36 Clonmell Road, Philip Lane, Tottenham.

Stanley Allan Hunt (my Uncle Stan) born 18 August 1914 at 9 Trinity Road, Southend-on-Sea

Winifred Olive Hunt born 1 February 1918 at 5 Dunloe Avenue, Tottenham. Edward Leslie Hunt born 5 May 1919 at 5 Dunloe Avenue, Tottenham.

Herbert Henry was a Bandsman in the Salvation Army Tottenham Corps, and Emma Louisa coming from a strict Salvationist family was also a Salvationist. All their children were brought up in the Salvation Army, and I think my grandfather hoped that I would follow the family tradition as he bought me a small cornet to play. Unfortunately my asthma meant that I had insufficient 'puff' to play properly.

Herbert Henry was interested in the modern technology of his time. He would no doubt have been fascinated by television, mobile phones, digital cameras and camcorders, computers and the Internet. He owned a motor car and had a telephone.

Radio was a hobby of his and he built a crystal set in the early days of radio. In those days you had to wear headphones to hear the faint signal so only one person could listen to the radio at any time. To enable other members of the family to hear the broadcasts he placed the headphones in a bowl which amplified the sound. When the valve radio was invented this procedure was no longer necessary. I still have a 1936 Radio diary which he gave me.

Herbert Henry Hunt died at the age of 60 on 30 December 1939 at 2 Pendennis Road, Tottenham. The cause of death was given as 1a. Bronchitis, 1 b. Arterio Sclerosis. He is buried in Tottenham Cemetery Grave Space No. 10072.

On the day he died my grandfather asked to see me and I remember going to see him in his bedroom. Very shortly afterwards he passed away. That Christmas in 1939 Mum, Dad and I stayed at 2 Pendennis Road. I slept in a small room at the back of the house. I remember going with Dad and I think it was Uncle Stan in the big old car to collect large oxygen cylinders for grandfather. Christmas was a rather gloomy affair, although I am sure everyone did their best to make it an enjoyable festival. I remember the big old phonograph in the front parlour with its enormous horn, and eating crystallized fruit. Grandfather had bought me a "Shuco" racing car and I was very excited with it because it came complete with spanners and tyre levers. The rubber tyres came off the wheels, the steering wheel worked the wheels and it was a marvellous toy. I believe that if I still had it, it would now be worth several thousand pounds!

He was a lovely man and I still remember him with great affection.

Emma Louisa outlived her husband by almost 27 years continuing to live at 2 Pendennis Road with her daughter Ivy Grace who looked after her. Emma Louisa died on 1 December 1966 at 1a Manor Road, Redbridge, Ilford, Essex aged 88. The cause of death was 1a. Broncho Pneumonia, 1b Senile Dementia. Emma Louisa is buried at Tottenham Cemetery with her husband in Grave Space No. 10072.

HENRY ERNEST HUNT (My Uncle Harry)

Henry Ernest was born on 5 September 1888 I am told within the sound of Bow Bells, at Clerkenwell, London (and therefore a true Cockney). On the 1901 Census he is aged 12 living with his parents and family at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow.

Between April and June 1915 in the West Ham registration district Henry married **Elizabeth SOUTHCOTT**, the daughter of James SOUTHCOTT and Ellen SOUTHCOTT (nee RAVEN).

Elizabeth was born on 2 December 1889 at 99 Peel Road, Woodford, London, E.18. Her occupation was as a Private Nurse / Companion.

They had one daughter:-

Clarice HUNT who was born on 26 January 1923 at 270 Philip Lane, Tottenham, London, N.17 of whom more in Chapter 7.

Uncle Harry attended school in Walthamstow when the family moved there. That would have been before 1907.

Uncle Harry served in the Veterinary Corps during the 1914 - 1918 Great War. He joined at Aldershot and worked alongside the Veterinary Officers tending the horses. After the war he became a Mounter / Router in the printing trade.

When his brother, Herbert Henry Hunt and Emma Louisa moved from 5 Dunloe Avenue, Uncle Harry and Aunt Lizzie with their daughter Clarice, moved in to that property.

Uncle Harry was a great entomologist and acquired a good reputation in this field. I remember when he came with Aunt Lizzie to stay with us at 27 Birchwood Road,

Parkstone, Poole, how he used to chase butterflies and moths with his butterfly net, and then place his catch in the "killing bottle" which he had, before carefully mounting the specimens in his enormous collection. I recall going to the upstairs room in 5 Dunloe Avenue where he kept his collection of butterflies, moths and numerous other beetles and insects. I remember too the large brass microscopes in that room. Some specimens he hatched out from eggs, and in particular I remember the enormous Atlas Moth mounted in a picture frame with the chrysalis and stages of life of this beautiful insect which he gave to Mum and Dad.

Uncle Harry died on 21 March 1959 in Whipps Cross Hospital, Leytonstone aged 70. His wife Elizabeth survived him by 20 years and died on 28 December 1979 at 5 Dunloe Avenue aged 90. She was cremated at Enfield Crematorium.

Most of Uncle Harry's collection of butterflies and insects was given to Philip Charles Hunt together with records of the collection and a framed Atlas Moth.

SIDNEY JAMES HUNT

Sidney James Hunt was born on 3 May 1891 at 7.45 a.m. at 89 Nevill Road, Stoke Newington, Hackney. On the 1901 Census Sidney James aged 10 is living with his parents and family at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow.

Uncle Stan believed he went to Pontypridd in Wales where he kept a shop. Uncle Stan said they used to go to Wales for holidays. This is confirmed as on the Death Certificate for Thomas Samuel Hunt it is shown that that Thomas Samuel died at 30 High Street, Pontypridd in 1927 and his death was registered by his son Sidney James Hunt living at that address.

On 27 September 1936 Sydney (he had changed the spelling of his first name) married Blanche PARRY in St David's Church, Caeran – with – Ely in the County of Glamorgan. Witnesses to the marriage were E. A. PARRY and Blanche's father, William Frederick PARRY.

On his marriage certificate Sydney was described as a Grocer's Manager. Both he and Blanche were living at 35 Pencircly Road, Canton at the date of their marriage. Blanche had been born between April and June 1907 in the Pontypool registration district and was aged 29 when she married Sydney who was then 45 years old.

Sidney James Hunt died on 5 September 1983 at 8 Norris Park, Congresbury, Bristol, Avon from myocardial infarction. He is described as a Master Grocer (retired) on his Death Certificate. He was blind when he died at the age of 92. His sister in law, Emily PARRY with whom he was living registered his death. It seems that Emily may not have married as she retained her maiden name unless of course she married another PARRY.

HORACE GEORGE HUNT

Horace George was born in Walthamstow, Essex in 1900 according to the 1901 Census. He was then living with his family at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow. He married **Evelyn Lucy Smith OATEN** on 1 December 1924 at St John the Baptist Parish Church, Cardiff, Wales. Evelyn was born between April and June 1898 at Clevedon, Somerset, the daughter of Edwin Arthur Smith OATEN and Jane STADDON. At 1 December 1924 Evelyn Lucy Smith OATEN was living at 35

Corbett Road, Cardiff Wales and Horace George was living at 66 Wyndham Crescent, Cardiff, Wales and his occupation was as a Clerk. He later went into the furniture trade and bought and sold antiques. Uncle Stan told me that he bought Nana Hunt's Chippendale furniture for a mere £5. He is believed to have moved to Southsea or Portsmouth and to have died about 1950 although I have not yet been able to trace an entry in the G.R.O. registers for his death between 1948 and 1953 inclusive. I have not yet found any children of the marriage.

MAUDE ETHEL HUNT

Maude Ethel Hunt was born between July and September 1893 in Clerkenwell London. On the 1901 Census she was living with her family at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow. Maude Ethel Hunt married **Edward John VIZARD** on 26 December 1922 at St Catherine's Church, Canton, Cardiff. Her address at that time was 66 Wyndham Crescent, Canton, Cardiff, Wales. Witnesses to the marriage were Sidney James Hunt and Mabel Florence WOODYARD. Her husband Edward John VIZARD was the son of Edward VIZARD (deceased), a Shipwright. Edward John VIZARD was living at 28 Chancery Lane, Riverside, Cardiff, Wales and was a Warehouseman aged 27 at the date of the marriage. Maude was a good pianist and gave piano lessons at Gosport. I have not found any children of the marriage.

ELEANOR W. (NELLIE) HUNT

Eleanor was born in Brixton between January and March 1896 in Brixton, London. On the 1901 Census she was then living with her family at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow. Eleanor married **William G. YOUNG** between April and June 1917 in the West Ham registration district. It is believed they had two sons:

Cecil Young (Date and place of birth unknown)

Basil G. YOUNG was born in the Westhampnett registration district on 12 July 1926 and died in December 1995 in the East Retford registration district. At some time after her marriage Eleanor lived in Wales and then at 64 Kingsham Road, Chichester, Nr Portsmouth. Uncle Stan says that Nellie (Mrs Young) lived in Chichester in the 1930s onward, and was a member of the Salvation Army.

FRANCIS W. (FRANK) HUNT

Francis was born in Islington, London between October and December 1881and according to the 1891 Census he was living with his parents at 89 Nevill Road, Stoke Newington, Hackney. In the 1901 Census he was aged 19, single and a Carpenter living with his parents at 81 Hoe Street, Walthamstow. He may have married between January and March 1902 in the St Olave Bermondsey registration district but I have not yet verified this.

CHAPTER 5 THE HUNT FAMILY IN CANADA

Thomas Francis HUNT and his wife Edith Victoria Elizabeth HUNT (nee MEADOWS) started a new life in Canada when they emigrated there between 1908 and 1910.

Some of their family of ten children married, and I set out below what I know of each of them. Most of this information has been received from Jack Weatherall via Uncle Stan to whom I am very grateful as without their help I should have remained ignorant of this branch of the family.

ETHEL MARGARET HUNT

Ethel Margaret was born on 27 October 1899 at 6 Museum Terrace, St John Road, Walthamstow and died on 15 April 1986 at Vancouver General Hospital, Canada.

She is my Uncle Stan's first cousin, her son Jack Lawrence Eclipse WEATHERALL being Uncle Stan's second cousin.

Ethel Margaret married **Charles Lawrence WEATHERALL**, (date and place of marriage unknown) who was born on 9 December 1900 at 337 Stanswell Road, Nottingham, Notts, the son of Charles WEATHERALL (Occupation a Threader in the Lace Trade in 1900) and Eliza Ann WEATHERALL (nee ESMONT).

Charles Lawrence and Ethel Margaret had five children:-

Philip Arthur Lawrence

Robert A.

Joan

Daphne born October 1931

Jack Lawrence Eclipse born 24 January 1925 in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Jack Lawrence Eclipse WEATHERALL provided the following Memorial Notice for his mother:-

'WEATHERALL, Ethel Margaret (nee Hunt) passed away quietly at Vancouver General Hospital on April 15th 1986. Born Walthamstow, London, England on October 27th 1899. A devoted member of the British Israel World Federation. Will be deeply missed by her family, 3 sons: Philip of Ottawa, Ont., Jack of Coquitlan and Robert of Powell River, 2 daughters: Joan Thurlow of Kingston, Ont., and Daphne West of Boston Bar. Funeral at St Paul's Anglican Church 1130 Jarvis Street, Vancouver on Friday April 18th 1986 at 1.00 p.m. Interment at Valley View Memorial Gardens.'

Charles Lawrence presumably predeceased his wife Ethel Margaret as he is not mentioned in her Memorial Notice in April 1986.

Philip Arthur Lawrence WEATHERALL married **Blanche Joyce CULHANE**, the daughter of John Leonard CULHANE, in St Luke's Anglican Church in Canada, exactly where I do not know. This information is gleaned from an undated newspaper

cutting giving an account of the wedding. Blanche had a sister Dorothy CULHANE and a brother John W. CULHANE., Philip and Blanche had a son:-

Robin WEATHERALL (Date and place of birth unknown)

Blanche died of cancer in January 1996 and the next month February 1996 Philip died from a heart attack.

Robert A. WEATHERALL was born in Canada in 1927. It is not known if he married. He died from a heart attack in Canada in 1986. On a photograph of grave memorial plaques at Valley View Memorial Gardens, Surrey, British Columbia, Canada, there is this inscription:

"ROBERT A. WEATHERALL 1927 - 1986 Beloved Son" It is sited next to the memorial plaque inscribed

" In Loving Memory ETHEL M. WEATHERALL 1899 - 1986". The photograph was taken in July 1987.

Joan WEATHERALL date and place of birth unknown married a Mr **THURLOW** (Date and place of marriage and Christian name of Mr Thurlow are unknown). Joan had married Mr Thurlow by 1986 and she was then at Kingston, Ontario. She died before July 1996.

Daphne WEATHERALL was born in October 1931 and married a Mr **WEST** born in February 1928 (Date and place of marriage and Christian name of Mr West are unknown). In 1986 Daphne is of Boston Bar, Canada, and in 1996 she is of Campbell River.

Jack Lawrence Eclipse WEATHERALL was born on 24 January 1925 at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. During the second World War he was a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force, and served in England. Uncle Stan first met him at 2 Pendennis Road, Tottenham when my grandmother Emma Louisa put on a party for Jack's 21st birthday which he celebrated in 1946 after the end of the war. His occupation was as an Engineering Technician.

Jack contracted Parkinson's Disease, and by 1995 was unable to write so his sister Daphne became Uncle Stan's contact person with the family. I have copies of a few letters lent to me by Uncle Stan. Daphne sent Uncle Stan a copy of the following newspaper Memorial Notice:-

'WEATHERALL - Jack Lawrence born the 25th of January 1925, Ottawa, Ontario passed away the 30th of July 1996 at Surrey Memorial Hospital. Predeceased by his mother, Ethel of Coquitlam, brothers: Philip of Ottawa, Robert of Powell River and a sister, Joan Thurlow of Regina. Survived by sister Daphne West of Campbell River as well as several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. Well travelled Globetrotter, member of R. C. A. F. World War II. Retired engineering technician, was always decked out in a Hawaiian shirt with his camera in hand. Will be sadly missed by all. Interred Valley View Memorial Gardens, Surrey. Donations may be sent to B. C. Parkinson's Association, Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver.'

WALTER EDGAR HUNT

Walter Edgar was born in England in the West Ham registration district on 24 December 1901 and died in Canada on 29 November 1980. It is not known if he married.

CYRIL THOMAS HUNT

Cyril Thomas was born in England in the West Ham registration district on 6 May 1904. I have a copy photograph of Cyril taken in 1913 when he was aged 9. Nothing further is known about him.

STANLEY ALBERT HUNT

Stanley Albert was born at Wimbledon in England in the Kingston registration district on 11 February 1906 and died as an infant on 28 January 1907 in the Kingston registration district.

EDITH IRENE HUNT

Edith Irene was born in England in the Kingston registration district on 4 January 1908. She married a Mr **ENSELL** (Date and place of marriage unknown). Edith Irene died in Canada on 18 December 1973.

MAYNARD STANLEY HUNT

Maynard Stanley was born in Canada on 14 February 1910 and died there on 11 August 1976. It is not known if he married.

MARGARET FLORENCE HUNT

Margaret Florence was born in Canada on 9 November 1912. She married a Mr **LESLIE** (Date and place of marriage unknown).

DOROTHY PATRICIA HUNT

Dorothy Patricia was born in Canada on 17 October 1914. She married a Mr **PUGH** (Date and place of marriage unknown).

DOUGLAS ALBERT HUNT

Douglas Albert was born in Canada on 1 August 1917. It is not known if he married.

GWENDOLYN RUTH HUNT

Gwendolyn Ruth was born in Canada on 15 September 1919. She married a Mr **SAUND** (Date and place of marriage unknown).

This concludes the history of the HUNT families in Canada so far as they are known at present.

CHAPTER 6 THE HUNTS WHO REMAINED IN ENGLAND

Herbert Henry Hunt born 26 October 1879 (my grandfather) and Emma Louisa Hunt (nee HERBERT) had eight children (see Chapter 4). I shall write about them in order of their birth.

LILIAN EMMA HUNT

Lilian Emma was one of twins, the other twin not having been named died at about three months of age. Lilian Emma was born in January 1900 but survived for only two years four months, dying in May 1902. On the 1901 Census Lilian Emma was living at 12 Deadworth Street, Lambeth. She is buried in Nunhead Cemetery Grave No. 26.275.

IVY GRACE HUNT

Ivy Grace was born on 18 April 1902. She never married, despite having a number of boy friends, one Sid Pusey in particular, but stayed at home looking after her mother, latterly at 2 Pendennis Road, Tottenham. Ivy worked for several national newspapers. As were all the rest of the family, Ivy was a member of the Salvation Army.

Ivy suffered from Leukemia and died on 23 June 1969 at St Ann's Hospital, Harringay, London N 15. Her ashes are interred in Tottenham Cemetery in Grave Space No. 10072 with her mother and father. The interment of the ashes was on 27 June 1969.

In her Will, Ivy remembered and named many members of the Hunt family.

HERBERT HENRY HUNT (My Dad)

Herbert Henry (Dad) was born at 87 Brettenham Road, Walthamstow, Essex on 28 May 1904.

Uncle Stan tells me that Dad and he used to share a bed when they were children.

Dad started work at an engineering firm, I believe at the age of 14. Whilst there he cut his scalp on a sheet of corrugated iron and bore the scar for the rest of his life. After a few months he decided that he would prefer to have an office job and went to work for H. W. & S. Patey, Solicitors of Royal London House, Finsbury Square, London as a junior. He did well at his work as a Solicitor's Clerk and later became Office Cashier. He went on to deal with Wills, Probate and Trust matters as well as keeping the office account books and eventually became Cashier Managing Clerk.

On 21 July 1928 at the age of 24 he married **Maud Florence EDENS** in High Road Wesleyan Church, Tottenham. The witnesses to the marriage were C. N. BROCK and H. H. HUNT.

Maud Florence EDENS was born on 17 May 1903 at 42 De Beauvoir Crescent, De Beauvoir Town, South West Hackney, the only daughter of Edward EDENS and Flora Ellen EDENS (nee HOWARD).

They spent their honeymoon at Shanklin on the Isle of Wight.

I believe that at the time of their marriage Dad was living at the same address as Maud Florence EDENS and her parents as Dad had left his home at 2 Pendennis Road as he did not like living there. The address on their Marriage Certificate is 92 Park View Road, Tottenham.

The Solicitors for whom Dad was working must have thought a lot of him as on the occasion of his marriage they presented him with a solid silver teapot (which I still have) engraved

"H. H. Hunt from H. W. and S. P. 21 July 1928"

The H. W. was the senior partner in the firm and S. P. was Samuel Patey. Mum was annoyed that as the teapot was given as a wedding present she was not mentioned in the inscription!

When I was born on 24 May 1933 at University College Hospital, St Pancras, London, Mum and Dad were living at 126 Seymour Avenue, Tottenham, N. 17, and Dad was described as a Solicitor's Clerk on my Birth Certificate.

I believe that Mum and Dad shared a house with their friends Frank and Lena GROCOTT, and it may be that 126 Seymour Avenue was that house.

Dad was a member of the Tottenham Salvation Army Band and played the cornet. I still have the mouthpiece to his cornet in a leather case. The Band toured Sweden and Denmark and apart from the sea crossing when he was very ill Dad enjoyed the tour greatly. As I was only ten weeks old when Dad started the tour on 4th August 1933 I don't think his trip was popular with everyone.

The Times newspaper carried the following news item in the issue of 5th August 1933:

"SALVATION ARMY BAND'S VISIT TO SCANDINAVIA

Bricklayers, carpenters, and company directors make up the Tottenham Citadel Band of the Salvation Army, numbering 36, who left Liverpool Street Station last night on the way to Denmark. To-morrow they begin a 2,175 mile tour, and during 13 days in Denmark and Sweden they are to carry out at least 35 engagements. They took with them a message of greeting from General Higgins to the people of Sweden."

Mum was a Songster in the Salvation Army, although she had been brought up in the Church of England.

On 6 November 1935 Mum and Dad moved into a brand new house at 96 Beverley Road, Ruislip Manor, Middlesex which they bought with the aid of a mortgage.

Dad worked lots of overtime at the office and used to deliver letters in his lunch hour to save the postage money. We were I suppose one of the better off families as we had a telephone (Number - Ruislip 4592) and a motor car, a white 1937 two door Morris 8 registration number FMK 544, which Dad bought second hand from a lady who had driven it for only 4,500 miles and wanted to change it. The reason Dad bought the car and then learnt to drive was that my Mum from birth had a congenital hip (a condition in which the ball and socket in the hip is missing so that the leg bone works in muscle instead of fitting into a bone socket). Mum had one leg much shorter

than the other, and she suffered great pain when walking. Also as I was suffering from severe attacks of asthma, I was unable to walk far. The car was a real blessing to us all, enabling us to get around and see many places.

At the outbreak of war in September 1939 Dad was in a reserved occupation so did not have to join up for war service. He did, however, undertake the duties of an A. R. P. Warden and when not working in the City he was on duty at Warden Post K4 at Ruislip Manor.

As we were living within 200 yards of Northolt Aerodrome we were advised to evacuate our house and move elsewhere. We did not move, preferring to die in our own home if that was to be the case.



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The Government take the view that persons living within 1,000 yards of Northolt Aerodrome would be in a position of considerable danger if the enemy should attack the aerodrome from the air. The enemy may do this at any time. You are therefore advised for your own safety to go with your household and live with friends more than 1,000 yards from the aerodrome and to send away any woman and child in your household if you are unable to go yourself. If you cannot live with friends the local authorities may be able to find a billet for you outside the danger zone. You are not being compelled to leave your home and you may stay if you wish provided you understand that you are probably in greater danger if you stay than if you leave. Householders who leave their homes empty should lock them up securely.

Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis.

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We lived in our Anderson shelter in the garden for many nights and some days. Dad made the Anderson as pleasant as possible by lining the inside of the lower half with concrete walls, and installing electricity by a cable running from our house. This meant that we had electric light (with the shelter entrance suitably blacked out), an electric fire, an electric boiling ring for a kettle and a radio.

Mum and I would be reasonably comfortable in our bunks in the Anderson while Dad had to patrol the streets doing his Warden's duty.

When the war in Europe ended in 1945 Dad took us all to Bournemouth for a holiday in August. At that time I was very ill, weighing only 4 stones at the age of 12, and our family doctor had told Dad that I had only a few months to live if we stayed in Ruislip in view of the poor air quality there. Dad saw a job advertised with a firm of Solicitors at Wareham, Messrs Humphries, Kirk and Miller, went for an interview while we were on holiday and was appointed to the post of Cashier Manager. So after 25 years with Pateys in London he started a new job in Wareham, Dorset, and continued with that firm for another 25 years until his retirement at the age of 65.

Dad was a member of the Solicitors' Managing Clerks Association, and when it became The Institute of Legal Executives, Dad became a Fellow of the Institute. (F. Inst. L. Ex.).

Within a few weeks our house at Ruislip was sold together with the Ruislip house of Mum's parents, Edward and Flora EDENS, and we all moved to Parkstone, Poole, Dorset on 6 October 1945. For the first few months we rented a house at 12 Wellington Road, Parkstone and it was here that my grandfather, Edward EDENS died on 14 November 1945.

In May 1946 Dad and Mum bought a house - 27 Birchwood Road. Parkstone, Poole for the sum of £2,500. It was a lot of money at the time, but is now worth about £400,000. The house was called "Fairlawn" but we didn't like the name so we renamed it "Atholl" after the school I went to in Rayners Lane. Here we stayed with my grandmother Flora EDENS until I married my wife **Laura Margaret PARRY** on 2 September 1961.

My grandmother Flora EDENS died at the age of 88 on 22 September 1963 at Christmas Close, Wareham where she had spent the last months of her life suffering from senile dementia.

I had left home in 1961 and Mum and Dad decided to move to a newly built ground floor flat at 2 Frinton Court, Church Road, Parkstone as it would be easier for Mum not to have to negotiate stairs. It was a very large flat, and they were very happy there. As it was only about two miles from our house at 8 Stokes Avenue, Poole we were able to pop in to see each other frequently, and when our son Ian was born on 1 November 1965 they were able to see him often.

When Dad retired he kept on the work of Clerk to the Commissioners of Income Tax for the Purbeck area which work he had done at Humphries, Kirk and Miller. He worked from home and later the area for which he was responsible was increased, taking in Blandford. Dad had no hobbies apart from dabbling in coin collecting for a time, his main aim in life being to look after Mum. Mum had three operations for artificial hip replacements, and as in her latter years she was not able to do as much, Dad took on all the cooking and housework, much to Mum's frustration.

Dad only went to the dentist once while in Poole, and that was to have a tooth filled. It was his one and only filling and he was scared of having it done and never went again. Despite this he kept all his teeth for his lifetime.

Apart from the occasional cold, Dad kept pretty fit in his early life. He had to go to hospital as an outpatient for treatment for piles, and had a spell in hospital following a fainting episode. At that time the doctors could find nothing wrong with him - they thought that probably he was over tired and stressed. In his last few years at work he became breathless when walking up hill and was diagnosed as suffering from Angina. He took TNT tablets to control this. I think he suffered quite a lot with chest pains, but he would not admit it and put a brave face on it for the benefit of Mum and myself.

On the afternoon of 25 November 1977 he complained of not feeling well and of chest pains. The doctor was called and he suggested waiting a while to see if the symptoms subsided, but if they did not to call him again. By the evening Dad was in severe pain, the doctor quickly returned and Dad was taken in an ambulance to Poole General Hospital. Mum phoned me. We left Ian with a neighbour and I drove with Margaret straight to the hospital where the ambulance crew were just taking Dad up to the ward on a trolley. We went up in the lift with them and Dad was obviously in great pain and could not speak. We waited outside the ward and eventually a doctor came out and told us that Dad had died of a massive heart attack. It was a shock and it took a while to sink in. A few hours earlier he had been well and suddenly he was gone. From Dad's point of view it was good that he did not have to suffer long. Mum, however had expected him to come home, and it was after midnight when Margaret and I had to go to the flat and break the sad news to her. Mum was obviously shocked and although we asked her to come home with us she bravely stayed in the flat.

Dad was a very kind man who always put the needs of others before his own. He rarely spent money on himself, but delighted in buying things for his wife and family. When he died many of his office colleagues and clients spoke highly of his caring attitude.

Mum stayed at the Frinton Court flat for several years and despite her disability coped well. Eventually she agreed to move into a newly built block of warden serviced flats at 17 Homeview House, Seldown Road, Poole. She moved in and after only a few weeks she too suffered a heart attack at about 9.00 p.m. on 27 August 1980. The Warden called the ambulance and Mum was taken to Poole Hospital where I stayed with her until after midnight. The next morning the hospital told me that she had recovered and there was no need to visit until the usual afternoon visiting hours. Just as we were leaving the house for the hospital there was a telephone call to say that Mum had passed away peacefully in her sleep. And so on the 28 August 1980 I lost a wonderful loving Mum. She was always full of fun and loved a laugh and a joke. We had spent very many happy times together.

VIOLET ELSIE HUNT

Violet Elsie was born on 15 July 1910 at 36 Clonmel Road, Philip Lane, Tottenham. She married **Charles James MILLER** in November 1930 in the Edmonton

registration district (I do not know the exact date and place of the marriage). Charles was born on 5 February 1910 at Leyton, London.

At the age of 62 Violet died at Glinton, Peterborough on 13 January 1973 and was buried at Peterborough on 19 January 1973.

Following Violet's death Charles married **Edna MILLER** on 30 March 1974 in the Newham registration district. Edna had been married to one of Charles Miller's brothers who was killed in the Second World War and had a daughter called Valerie. Valerie had died at a young age.

Charles died on 30 September 2004 at Glinton, Peterborough.

Edna died on 29 November 2004 at Glinton, Peterborough.

Charles and Violet Elsie had four children.

Mavis Winifred MILLER born 26 March 1931 at Charing Cross Hospital, London.

Edwin Charles MILLER born 25 February 1933 at Charing Cross Hospital, London.

Geoffrey John MILLER born 23 June 1936 at Mothers Hospital, Clapton. **June MILLER** born 9 June 1946 and died 10 June 1946 at Mothers Hospital, Clapton.

Charles MILLER's brother's daughter (Charles' niece) became a County Court Judge in 1990.

STANLEY ALLAN HUNT

Stanley Allan (Uncle Stan as I shall call him) was born on 18 August 1914 at 9 Trinity Road, Southend - on - Sea. He was dedicated into the Salvation Army at Tottenham on 28 April 1918. Stanley went to Norway with the Salvation Army Band - it rained most of the time he was there.

At the age of 14 Uncle Stan met **Eleanor Lilian LANGAN** (Aunt Nellie) and seven years later aged 21 he married her on 4 July 1936 at St Mark's Church, Wood Green. Aunt Nellie was the daughter of Henry Charles Robert LANGAN and Rhoda LANGAN (nee KING) and was born on 1 March 1914 at 84 Moselle Avenue, Wood Green, London, N.22. Aunt Nellie's grandfather was Henry Robert LANGAN born in 1851/2 and he was a French Polisher. He married Hannah RUSSELL in 1880 and they had four children, Henry Charles Robert LANGAN (Nellie's father), Albert LANGAN, Lilian LANGAN and Bertram William E. LANGAN.

Aunt Nellie had a twin brother, Leonard Bertram W. LANGAN He married Ivy born 20 June 1916 (surname unknown) and they had a son Tony LANGAN. Ivy LANGAN died on 16 January 1992. Leonard Bertram W. LANGAN died in August 1994 in the Enfield registration district.

Tony LANGAN married Margaret (surname unknown) and they had two sons, John LANGAN and Paul LANGAN.

Following in his father's footsteps, Uncle Stan became an apprentice at the age of 14 and went into the printing trade and became a Process Engraver working for Dalziel Foundry, Earl Street, Finsbury, London, E.C. where his father was working.

When Stan finished his apprenticeship at the age of 21 he went to work for Waterlows and eventually worked for the Financial Times.

Stanley Allan Hunt was a Sergeant (Engine Fitter grade 2E) in the R.A.F. during World War II. He worked on bomber plane engines, Wellingtons etc. After the war he moved to Watford where he worked for W.G. Briggs.

Stanley Allan Hunt suffered from Glaucoma in both eyes in his late 70's. He started treatment for Glaucoma in August 1979 - eye drops. He had his first eye operation in 1997, and 3 months before Christmas 1998 he had an operation on his left eye which was not successful – it left debris on the lens.

For 49 years Stan and Nellie lived at Palmers Green then moved to Stansted Mountfitchet.

Uncle Stan and Aunt Nellie had four children:-

Roy Alan HUNT born 7 August 1937 at Salvation Army Mothers

Hospital in

Hackney, London.

Maureen Lesley HUNT born 14 June 1943 at 8 Munster Gardens,

Palmers

Green, London, N.13.

Kenneth Henry HUNT born 28 April 1947 at 8 Munster Gardens,

Palmers

Green, London, N.13. Kenneth died 20/21 August 2005.

Philip Charles HUNT born 12 November 1950 at 8 Munster Gardens,

Palmers Green, London, N.13.

Nellie was admitted to hospital in late July / early August 2001 Nellie died at 10.30 p.m. on Wednesday 8 August 2001 in Harlow Hospital aged 87. By coincidence Nellie died at the same time as her son Roy had died in the same hospital one day after the date of Roy's birthday.

Nellie's funeral was conducted by the Rev. John Risby the Rural Dean of Hertfordshire. He had previously been Vicar of Wareside – daughter Maureen Lesley's parish and he had baptised and confirmed Maureen. He had also conducted Maureen's husband's funeral and had become something of a friend of the family. Nellie had been so impressed by what he said privately to her at Maureen's husband's funeral that she expressed a desire for him to conduct her own funeral service.

Uncle Stan who has given me much of the information in this brief history sadly passed away from lung cancer at 2.00 a.m. on Saturday 28 May 2005 (coincidentally the date of his brother and my father Herbert Henry Hunt's birthday). His funeral was on 8 June 2005 at Parndon Wood Crematorium, Harlow, Essex.

WINIFRED OLIVE HUNT

Winifred Olive (Aunt Win) was the second youngest of the family born on 1 February 1918 at 5 Dunloe Avenue, Tottenham.

Winifred Olive Hunt was a lovely person, always happy and smiling. My favourite aunt, Win used to play Noughts and Crosses and Hangman (guessing book titles or words) with me, whenever I went to 2 Pendennis Road, Tottenham.

Aunt Win was dedicated into the Salvation Army at Tottenham and was a Songster. She always had a keen interest in Scouting and Guiding and gave me several books on Scouting and Wolf Cubs.

Win married **Leslie J. LAWRENCE** (a Scoutmaster) on 27 December 1941 at St Michael's Church, Wood Green, London. Leslie Lawrence was born on 4 January 1917 at Clydach, Swansea, Wales.

They had three children:-

John David LAWRENCE born 28 December 1944 in Willersley Castle, Matlock, Derbyshire

Michael Charles LAWRENCE born 3 April 1948 in Clapton Mothers Home, London.

Ann Margaret LAWRENCE born 30 September 1950 in North Middlesex Hospital, Edmonton

Aunt Win contracted cancer and at the early age of 64 died peacefully at home on 14 November 1982 at 137 Longbanks, Harlow, Essex. Aunt Win is buried at Harlow.

EDWARD LESLIE HUNT

Edward Leslie (Uncle Ted) was born on 5 May 1919 at 5 Dunloe Avenue, Tottenham. As with all the other members of the Hunt family, Uncle Ted was dedicated into the Salvation Army at Tottenham and became a bandsman. He was a talented musician and became a professional trumpet player. He played with top class bands - Ted Heath's Band, George Evans Band, but mainly with Jack Hylton's band as first and second trumpet from 1948 until his death. Ted is mentioned in an article on the internet about the George Evans Band where the 1946 make up of the band lists Ted as a trumpet player. On 17 January 1943 on his son Keith's birth certificate Uncle Ted was described as a Gunner 7662475 Royal Artillery (Insurance Clerk) living at 20 Gerrard Road, Islington, London, N.1. On 27 January 1959 Ted was living at 13 Wrexham Road, Harold Hill, Romford, Essex.

Uncle Ted, then a soldier, married **Olive Dorothy WHITE**, the daughter of Henry WHITE and Dorothy Veene ALLAND, on 19 April 1941 at St Peter's Church, Islington I went to their wedding service with Mum and Dad and afterwards to the wedding reception which was held at Slaters Restaurant. I remember that we played ring on a string after the meal. Smoking was frowned upon by the Salvation Army, but I remember several members of the family smoking cigarettes in the Gents toilets at Slaters!

Olive Dorothy WHITE was born on 8 August 1919 at 18 Calabria Road, Highbury, Islington, London.

My aunt Olive Dorothy died on 29 January 1975 at Harold Wood Hospital, Harold Wood, Romford, Essex

Olive's father Henry WHITE was born about 1893 in London and served in the First World War as a Corporal (No. 2892) in the 18th London Regiment. In 1919 after his discharge from the Army he was employed as a Compositor in the printing trade and was living at 18 Calabria Road, Highbury, Islington, London. Olive's mother Dorothy Veene ALLAND was born between October and December 1890 in the St Luke's area of the Holborn registration district.

Olive had two sisters, Joyce WHITE born about 1924 and she married Francis SPINKS (date and place of marriage unknown) and Brenda WHITE born about 1930.

Very sadly Uncle Ted collapsed during a band performance of the Black and White Minstrel Show at the Victoria Palace, London, and was taken to Westminster Hospital where he died on 16 July 1968 at the early age of 49. He is buried at Highgate Cemetery.

Uncle Ted and Olive had four children:-

Keith Edward HUNT born 17 January 1943 at Willersley Castle, Matlock, Derbyshire

Linda Dorothy HUNT born 28 September 1947 at 20 Gerrard Road, Islington.

Gary David HUNT born 22 January 1957 at the Charing Cross Hospital, Westminster.

Clive Henry HUNT born 27 January 1959 at Oldchurch Hospital, Romford, Essex.

CHAPTER 7 MY OWN GENERATION

I have many cousins, and I shall now attempt to set down what I know of them.

CLARICE HUNT

Clarice Hunt was the only child of Henry Ernest Hunt and Elizabeth SOUTHCOTT, and was born on 26 January 1923 at 270 Philip Lane, Tottenham, London, N.17.

I remember Clarice coming to visit us at 96 Beverley Road, Ruislip Manor. We were walking down the back garden path when Clarice spotted a black beetle and picked it up. She had obviously inherited her father's love for entomology as she told me all about the habits of the beetle. She now lives in Scotland and continues to care for wild life and looks after small animals.

Clarice married **George William BURGESS** on 25 September 1948 at St Philip the Apostle Parish Church, Tottenham, London, N. 17. George was born on 9 February 1913 at Exeter, Devon.

They had one daughter:-

Kathleen Georgina Burgess born on 14 April 1951 at Hampstead Hospital. Sadly George William Burgess died on 2 January 1976 in North Middlesex Hospital.

MAVIS WINIFRED MILLER

Mavis, born on 26 March 1931 at Charing Cross Hospital, London is the only daughter and eldest child of Charles James MILLER and Violet Elsie HUNT. Mavis married **Robert Arthur SWEET** (Robert was born on 2 June 1928) at Central Baptist Church, Walthamstow, London, E.17 on 20 July 1957.

Mavis and Robert have three sons:-

Stuart Arthur SWEET born 28 September 1960 at Thorpe Coombe Hospital, Walthamstow.

Andrew Phillip SWEET born 30 August 1963 at Thorpe Coombe Hospital, Walthamstow.

David Patrick SWEET born 2 June 1966 at Thorpe Coombe Hospital, Walthamstow.

EDWIN CHARLES MILLER

Edwin Charles born on 25 February 1933 in Charing Cross Hospital, London is the eldest son of Charles James MILLER and Violet Elsie HUNT.

Edwin did not marry and was employed as a civilian in the Metropolitan Police Force and was promoted to executive rank in 1990.

GEOFFREY JOHN MILLER

Geoffrey, born 23 June 1936 at Mothers Hospital, Clapton is the youngest son of Charles James MILLER and Violet Elsie HUNT .

Geoffrey married **Patricia Anne WILSON** (born on 1 July 1938) on 16 August 1958 at an unknown location in Essex.

They have two children

Jacqueline Elizabeth MILLER born 29 January 1963 **Carl Geoffrey MILLER** born 28 June 1965.

JUNE MILLER

June was born at Mothers Hospital, Clapton on 9 June 1946 but sadly died only one day old on 10 June 1946.

ROY ALAN HUNT

Roy was born on 7 August 1937 at Salvation Army Mothers Hospital, Hackney East London, the eldest son of Stanley Allan HUNT and Eleanor Lilian LANGAN. He was dedicated into the Salvation Army, Wood Green.

When he was 21, on 9 November 1968 Roy married **Suzanne Mary ABBOTT** at Christ Church, Cockfosters (Barnet).

Suzanne was born on 19 April 1946 in Middlesex Hospital, London. She was christened at Christ Church, Cockfosters. Her occupation was as a hairdresser. Her father, Kenneth Martin Rennison ABBOTT was a Captain in the Royal Artillery during the Second World War, and her mother was Kathleen Francis TAYLOR.

Roy and Suzanne have two children,

Stephen Martin Alan HUNT born on 3 March 1973 at Harlow Hospital and baptized on 17 July 1973 at St Mary's, Stansted, Essex.

Katherine Louise HUNT (also known as Katie) born on 29 October 1977 at Bishops Stortford Hospital and baptized July 1978 at St Mary's, Stansted, Essex.

Roy was a Lithographic Artist and lived at 47 Wetherfield, Bentfield End, Stansted, Essex.

Sadly Roy died suddenly from a heart attack on 19 April 1999 at the age of 61.

MAUREEN LESLEY HUNT

Maureen is the only daughter of Stanley Allan Hunt and Eleanor Lilian LANGAN. Maureen was born on 14 June 1943 at Palmers Green, London.

Maureen married **Michael Frederick BENCE** at St Stephen's Church, Enfield, London on 11 September 1965. My Mum and Dad went to her wedding.

Michael BENCE was born on 12 March 1939 at Haringey, London. Michael was a Publican for Greene King and he managed a public house, "The White Horse" at Wareside, Hertfordshire.

Maureen and Michael have two children:-

Angela Lesley BENCE born 7 March 1967 at Wareside, Hertfordshire. **Matthew Alan BENCE** born 19 September at Wareside.

Before working as a Publican, Michael had worked as a lead burner on roofing work, and it is thought that this may have contributed to his contracting lung cancer. He became unwell and on 8 January 1993 he died at the comparatively young age of 53. His funeral took place on 20 January 1993 at Holy Trinity Church, Wareside.

On 20 July 1996 Maureen married **David MORRIS** at Stortford Register Office. David MORRIS was born in 1942 in Hertfordshire.

KENNETH HENRY HUNT

Kenneth was born on 28 April 1947 at 8 Munster Gardens, Palmers Green, London, N.13.

to Stanley Allan HUNT and Eleanor Lilian LANGAN.

On 6 June 1970 Kenneth married **Cherryll Dianna Lynn GREEN** at St Stephen's Church, Bush Hill Park.

Kenneth and Cherryll have three children:-

Kerry Charmaine HUNT born 2 October 1974 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield.

Kirsty Celia HUNT born 5 April 1978 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield. **Shelley Jayne HUNT** born 16 October 1980 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield.

Kenneth died at home on 20/21 August 2005. He had not gone upstairs to bed on Saturday night and his wife Cherryll found him dead at the foot of the stairs on Sunday morning.

PHILIP CHARLES HUNT

Philip was born 12 November 1950 at 8 Munster Gardens, Palmers Green to Stanley Allan HUNT and Eleanor Lilian LANGAN.

Philip was a Pagination Layout and Designer, and a member of the National Union of Journalists. He is now Deputy Art Editor at the Financial Times.

Philip married **Linda RIKIEWICZ** at Edmonton on 12 December 1968. They have two children:-

Emma Louise HUNT born on 30 April 1969 Martin Andrew HUNT born at Edmonton on 2 July 1973.

Philip's marriage to Linda was dissolved in 1977.

Philip's second marriage was to **Rita Lisa HORREY** on 27 August 1996 at Bromley. They have one son:-

Ben Philip HUNT born on 28 September 1979 at St Thomas's Hospital, London.

Rita is a Primary School teacher at Lewisham. Her father lived in Derbyshire and contracted lung cancer in 1992 when he was 80 years old.

ANN MARGARET LAWRENCE

Ann is the daughter of Leslie J. LAWRENCE and Winifred Olive HUNT and she was born in North Middlesex Hospital Edmonton on 30th September 1950. Ann once appeared on the "That's Life" programme on television when Esther Rantzen persuaded Ann to play a tune on her (Ann's) teeth!

Ann married **Rodney James TARRY** on 29 April 1972 at The Salvation Army, Harlow, Essex

Ann and Rodney have two children:-

Neil Duncan TARRY born on 10 March 1978 in Basingstoke Hospital, Hants.

Kay Louisa TARRY born on 3 February 1980 in Basingstoke Hospital, Hants.

JOHN DAVID LAWRENCE

John is the eldest son of Leslie J. Lawrence and Winifred Olive Hunt. He was born on 28 December 1944 in Willersley Castle, Matlock, Derbyshire (an establishment run by the Salvation Army).

John married on 26 March 1988 (The name of his wife and place of marriage are unknown) It is not known whether they had any children.

MICHAEL CHARLES LAWRENCE

Michael is the youngest son of Leslie J. Lawrence and Winifred Olive Hunt. He was born on 3 April 1948 in Clapton Mothers Home, London.

Michael married **Silvia** (Surname unknown) on 29 September 1984. (The place of the marriage is unknown). They have no children.

KEITH EDWARD HUNT

Keith is the eldest son of Edward Leslie Hunt and Olive Dorothy White. He was born on 17 January 1943 at Willersley Castle, Matlock, Derbyshire

On 3 June 1961 at St Peter's Church, Islington, London, Keith married **Pauline June FEUCHT** (born 19 June 1941 at Barnsbury, Islington, London, the daughter of Frederick Henry FEUCHT a Master Baker).

Keith and Pauline have two children:

Julia Ruth HUNT born 17 October 1966 at the Royal Free Hospital, Liverpool Road, Islington, London.

Phillip Alexander HUNT born 27 February 1969 at the Royal Free Hospital, Liverpool Road, Islington, London. .

LINDA DOROTHY HUNT

Linda was born on 28 September 1947 at 20 Gerrard Road, Islington, the daughter of Edward Leslie Hunt and Olive Dorothy White. She married. **George Thomas BAKER** on 20 July 1983 at Burnt Oak Registry Office, Edgware, Middlesex. They have two children:

Lindsay Jane HUNT born 27 June 1974 at City of London Maternity Hospital.

Stephen Edward BAKER born 6 May 1983 at the Edgware Hospital, Middlesex.

GARY DAVID HUNT

Gary is the son of Edward Leslie Hunt and Olive Dorothy White, born on 22 January 1957 at the Charing Cross Hospital, Westminster.

Gary married **Deborah Jayne GOLDING** (born 3 January 1959 at Hackney, London) at Hornchurch on 19 June 1976.

Gary and Deborah have a daughter:-

Tanya Olivia HUNT born 21 November 1976 at Harold Wood Hospital.

Gary's wife Deborah Jayne died on 10 September 1981 aged only 22.

Gary met a widow, **Ann LEE** (nee HARGREAVES born 7 July 1948 at Gidea Park) and they married on 29 September 1984 at Hornchurch, Essex. Ann LEE had three children by her previous marriage. They were Jonathan Simon LEE born 21 December 1975 who died an infant on 10 January 1976, Daniel Robert LEE born 16 January 1977, and Katherine Sara LEE born 13 May 1980.

CLIVE HENRY HUNT

Clive is the son of Edward Leslie Hunt and Olive Dorothy White, born on 27 January 1959 at Oldchurch Hospital, Romford, Essex.

On 7 July 1979 at St Michael-with-St Bartholomew, Gt. Lever, Bolton, Lancs, Clive married **Angela BALL** (born 29 October 1959 at Bolton Royal Infirmary, Greater Manchester, Lancashire), the daughter of Arthur BALL.

Clive was a soldier and served in Hong Kong, in May 1994 being stationed at 11 Edinburgh Mansions, Kowloon, Tsai, Hong Kong.

Angela served in the W.R.A.C.

Clive and Angela have a son:-

James Edward HUNT born 2 May 1994 at the British Military Hospital, Kowloon, China.

KATHLEEN GEORGINA BURGESS

Kathleen is the daughter of Clarice Hunt and George BURGESS, and was born on 14 April 1951 at Hampstead Hospital.

Kathleen married **James SNELL** on 17 February 1982 (place of marriage unknown). James SNELL came from Rathnew, Eire.

They have six children:-

June Georgina Snell born 13 June 1983 at Edmonton, Middlesex Jennifer Ann Snell born 12 October 1984 at Edmonton, Middlesex Jessica Kathleen Snell born 28 November 1985 at Edmonton, Middlesex James Thomas Snell born 22 April 1987 at Dublin, Eire Sheela Claire Snell born 6 June 1989 at Dublin, Eire William (aka Liam) Henry Snell born 13 July 1990 at Dublin, Eire.

My own details in this generation follow:-

DEREK EDEN HUNT

Derek is the only son of Herbert Henry Hunt and Maud Florence EDENS born 24 May 1933 at University College Hospital, St Pancras, London.

He spent most of his childhood at 96 Beverley Road, Ruislip Manor, Middlesex before the family moved to Parkstone, Poole, Dorset in October 1945. Derek's maternal grandparents, Flora Ellen EDENS (nee HOWARD) and Edward EDENS, moved with his parents. They first rented 12 Wellington Road, Parkstone, Poole

where Edward EDENS, Derek's grandfather died in 1945 and then bought 27 Birchwood Road, Parkstone where he lived until his marriage in 1961 when he and Margaret his wife bought a plot of land on which they had their first home built at 8 Stokes Avenue, Poole.

Derek met **Laura Margaret PARRY** who was born at 147A Mill Road, Everton, Liverpool (who disliked the name Laura and was always known as Margaret) on 15 November 1939 at St Luke's Youth Club, Parkstone, Poole and married her at St Osmund's Church, Parkstone, Poole on 2 September 1961.

Margaret was the daughter of Leslie Gordon PARRY and Marjorie OWEN. Leslie was a Civil Servant in the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance and moved to Poole from Liverpool for his work. Margaret was a comptometer operator and on coming to Poole worked for Southern Electricity Board, and after her marriage worked in the Borough Treasurer's Department, Borough of Poole.

Margaret had a brother Stanley Telford PARRY who went to Poole Grammar School and went on to become a school teacher.

Margaret and Derek have one son:-

Ian David Hunt born in Poole General Hospital on 1 November 1965.

In 1993 at the age of 60 after 40 years service with Poole Borough Council Derek retired from his post as Principal Legal Officer.

CHAPTER 8 THE GENERATION OF MY SON AND GRANDCHILDREN

We now come to the last chapter of the Hunt family with those who were born after the Second World War and who have grown up in the age of new technology - computers, compact disc players, mobile phones, exploration of outer space, moon landings, body scanners, anti-biotic drugs and cloning of animals. to name but a few. This is a fast moving world with current technology changing all the time. Who knows what the future years will bring for our children and grandchildren.

STUART ARTHUR SWEET

Born 28 September 1960 at Thorpe Coombe Hospital, Walthamstow, the son of Mavis Winifred MILLER and Robert Arthur SWEET.

Stuart married **Gillian Elizabeth HENNESSEY** who was born 20 March 1964 in Yorkshire. (Date and place of marriage unknown).

They have two children:-

Christopher Robert James SWEET born 1 February 1996 at Chelmsford Hospital. **Katherine Grace Eleanor SWEET** born 18 August 1999 in Yorkshire.

ANDREW PHILLIP SWEET

Born 30 August 1963 at Thorpe Coombe Hospital, Walthamstow, the son of Mavis Winifred MILLER and Robert Arthur SWEET.

On 16 July 1988 Andrew married **Anne Margaret (or Marie) STEVENS** who was born 20 June 1963 in London (Place of marriage unknown). They have two children:-

Steven James SWEET born 6 November 1991 at Barking Hospital and **Holly Jane SWEET** born 16 December 1994 at King George Hospital, Ilford.

DAVID PATRICK SWEET

David, the son of Mavis Winifred MILLER and Robert Arthur SWEET was born on 2 June 1966 at Thorpe Coombe Hospital, Walthamstow. He married **Amanda Jane THOMAS** who was born 4 January 1967 in London (Date and place of marriage unknown).

They have two children:-

Katie Louise SWEET born 12 August 1998 at Harlow Hospital. **Alice Mae SWEET** born 5 March 1999 at Cheshunt, Herts.

GEOFFREY JOHN MILLER

Geoffrey, born 23 June 1936 at Mothers Hospital, Clapton is the youngest son of Charles James MILLER and Violet Elsie Hunt .

Geoffrey married **Patricia Anne WILSON** (who was born on 1 July 1938, place of birth unknown) on 16 August 1958 in Essex (exact place of marriage unknown). Since 1991 Geoffrey and Patricia have lived in Estapona, Spain. They have two children:-

Jacqueline Elizabeth MILLER born 29 January 1963 in London. **Carl Geoffrey MILLER** born 28 June 1965 (place of birth unknown)

JACQUELINE ELIZABETH MILLER

Jacqueline, the daughter of Geoffrey John MILLER and Patricia Anne WILSON was born on 29 January 1963 and on 7 April 1984 at St Mary's Church, Elsenham, Nr Bishop's Stortford, Herts, married **Graham John Leigh CHAPMAN** who was born on 4 October 1960.

They have two children:-

Charlotte Elizabeth CHAPMAN born 6 February 1987 at Princess Alexandra Hospital, Harlow, Essex **Matthew Geoffrey CHAPMAN** born 9 December 1998 at Princess Alexandra Hospital, Harlow, Essex

CARL GEOFFREY MILLER

Carl is the son of Geoffrey John MILLER and Patricia Anne WILSON and was born on 28 June 1965 (place of birth unknown). He married **Heather** (Surname unknown and date and place of marriage unknown).

They have two children,:-

Sophia Louise MILLER born 11 May 1996 (place of birth unknown) **Alexandra Kate MILLER** born 11 April 1998. (place of birth unknown)

STEPHEN MARTIN ALAN HUNT

Stephen is the son of Roy Alan HUNT and Suzanne Mary ABBOTT. He was born on 3 March 1973 at Harlow Hospital and baptized on 17 July 1973 at St Mary's, Stansted, Essex. Stephen has a partner **Debbie CORAL** and they have a son,:-

Albert Alan HUNT born in July 2004 in the Cambridge Registration District.

KATHERINE LOUISE HUNT

Katherine (also known as Katie) the daughter of Roy Alan Hunt and Suzanne Mary Abbott was born on 29 October 1977 at Bishops Stortford Hospital and baptized July 1978 at St Mary's, Stansted, Essex. Katie studied at the Bournemouth College of Art & design in 1999/2000.

IAN DAVID HUNT

Ian was born in Poole General Hospital on 1 November 1965 the son of Derek Eden Hunt and Laura Margaret PARRY.

Ian was baptised on 19 December 1965 at St Osmund's Church, Parkstone, Poole and was confirmed at St George's Church, Darby's Lane Oakdale, Poole. Ian joined the choir at St George's Church and became head choirboy.

Ian went to Stanley Green Infants School, Poole, then to Oakdale Middle School. He then went to St Edward's School, Oakdale, Poole where he did very well gaining many GCSE's and 'O' level exams. He later studied for the Institute of Legal Executives exams while working in the legal profession and eventually qualified as a Fellow of the Institute - the third generation of the family to gain this qualification.

While at school Ian went to work as a butcher's boy in a local butcher's shop. He enjoyed his time there and learnt a lot about the trade.

For his work experience while at school, his father, Derek, had arranged for him to work in the office of a local firm of solicitors, H. F. J. & A. W. Cole. He did so well

that they offered him a job on leaving school. He worked for that firm for several years until the partners retired and there was a change in the structure of the office. Ian then worked for Bournemouth Borough Council doing work study, mainly with the refuse collectors on their early morning rounds. After a year of this Ian was invited to work for Dickinson, Manser & Co, a Poole firm of solicitors, in their Probate department and he stayed with them until January 1999 when he moved to Ottery St Mary in Devon to work in the Probate department of Every & Phillips a firm of solicitors in Honiton, Devon.

Ian married **Amanda Juliet Webb Thomas**, the adopted daughter of Major Robert James Webb Thomas and Mrs Beryl Rundle Thomas at The Church of the Transfiguration, Canford Cliffs, Poole, Dorset on 11 September 1993. When they married Ian and Amanda lived at 327 Bournemouth Road, Parkstone, Poole.

Ian and Amanda have three children:-

Annabelle Rachel Hunt born in Poole General Hospital on 18 September 1995. **Victoria Bethany Hunt** born at 327 Bournemouth Road, Parkstone, Poole on 20 November 1997.

Peter James Albert Hunt born 17 November 2004 at La Cosa, Alfington, Ottery St Mary, Devon.

LINDSAY JANE HUNT

Lindsay is the daughter of Linda Dorothy HUNT. She was born 27 June 1974 at City of London Maternity Hospital. Lindsay took up teaching and moved to Holland where she became proficient in the Dutch language.

STEPHEN EDWARD BAKER

Stephen is the son of Linda Dorothy HUNT and George Thomas BAKER. He was born 6 May 1983 at the Edgware Hospital, Middlesex.

TANYA OLIVIA HUNT

Tanya is the daughter of Gary David HUNT and Deborah Jayne GOLDING. She was born 21 November 1976 at Harold Wood Hospital. Tanya married **Simon Andrew MORRIS** (born 9 December 1975 at Rush Green, Romford, Essex) a soldier in the Parachute Regiment at Hornchurch, Essex on 8 June 1996. Tanya and Simon Andrew MORRIS have two children:-

Christina Jayne MORRIS born 21 March 1997 at Dover, Kent. **Sean Alexander MORRIS** born 7 November 2001 at Harold Wood Hospital.

ANGELA LESLEY BENCE

Angela is the daughter of Michael Frederick BENCE and Maureen Lesley Hunt. She was born at Wareside, Hertfordshire on 2 March 1967.

On 16 July 1994 Angela married **Raymond George ASPINALL** at Leaside United Reform Church, Ware, Herts. Raymond was born on 25 December 1959.

MATTHEW ALAN BENCE

Matthew is the son of Michael Frederick BENCE and Maureen Leslie Hunt. He was born at Wareside, Hertfordshire on 19 September 1969. He works as a roofer.

His married **Karen Jane EDMONDS** (who was born on 6 November 1962) (date and place of marriage unknown). They have a daughter:-

Natasha Jade BENCE born on 28 March 1992 at Q.E.2 Hospital, Stevenage.

KERRY CHARMAINE HUNT

Kerry is the daughter of Kenneth Henry Hunt and Cherryll Dianna Lynn GREEN and was born on 2 October 1974 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield. Kerry has a daughter:-

Jessica Elizabeth TURNER born 7 September 2002 in the Enfield Registration District.

KIRSTY CELIA HUNT

Kirsty is the daughter of Kenneth Henry Hunt and Cherryll Dianna Lynn GREEN and was born on 5 April 1978 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield.

Kirsty has a daughter:-

Shannon Kaia Olivia HUNT born 4 February 1999 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield

SHELLEY JAYNE HUNT

Shelley is the daughter of Kenneth Henry Hunt and Cherryll Dianna Lynn GREEN and was born on 16 October 1980 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield.

It is not known whether she married or had any children.

EMMA LOUISE HUNT

Emma is the daughter of Philip Charles Hunt and Linda RIKIEWICZ. She was born 30 April 1969 in Edmonton and was baptized at St Joseph's Church, Edmonton. She married **Stephen David Bailey** on 8 August 1987 at Waltham. They have three children:-

Stacey Bailey born 1990 (Exact date and place of birth unknown).

Nathan Bailey (Date and place of birth unknown).

Brandon Bailey (Date and place of birth unknown).

MARTIN ANDREW HUNT

Martin is the son of Philip Charles Hunt and Linda RIKIEWICZ. He was born on 2 July 1973 at Edmonton and was baptized at St Joseph's Church, Edmonton. It is not known whether he married or had any children.

NEIL DUNCAN TARRY

Neil is the eldest son of Rodney James TARRY and Ann Margaret LAWRENCE. He was born on 10 March 1978 in Basingstoke Hospital, Hants.

KAY LOUISA TARRY

Kay is the daughter of Rod TARRY and Ann LAWRENCE. She was born on 3 February 1980 in Basingstoke Hospital, Hants.

JULIA RUTH HUNT

Julia is the daughter of Keith Edward Hunt and Pauline June FEUCHT. **She was** born 17 October 1966 at the Royal Free Hospital, Liverpool Road, Islington, London. Julia

married **Paul Francis HEERY** on 6 August 1988 at the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Holloway, Islington N7.

PHILLIP ALEXANDER HUNT

Philip is the son of Keith Edward Hunt and Pauline June FEUCHT. He was born 27 February 1969 at the Royal Free Hospital, Liverpool Road, Islington, London. Phillip married **Saffron MYHILL** (born 26 May 1969 at Charing Cross, Westminster) at Colchester Registry Office on 12 September 1997. Phillip and Saffron have a son:- **Miles Otto HUNT** born on 20 October 1996 at Colchester Maternity Hospital.

JUNE GEORGINA SNELL

June is the daughter of Kathleen BURGESS and James SNELL, and was born on 13 June 1983 at Edmonton, Middlesex.

JENNIFER ANN SNELL

Jennifer is the daughter of Kathleen BURGESS and James SNELL, and was born on 12 October 1984 at Edmonton, Middlesex.

JESSICA KATHLEEN SNELL

Jessica is the daughter of Kathleen BURGESS and James SNELL, and was born on 28 November 1985 at Edmonton, Middlesex.

JAMES THOMAS SNELL

James is the son of Kathleen BURGESS and James SNELL, and was born on 22 April 1987 at Dublin, Eire.

SHEELA CLAIRE SNELL

Sheela is the daughter of Kathleen BURGESS and James SNELL, and was born on 6 June 1989 at Dublin, Eire.

WILLIAM (aka LIAM) HENRY SNELL

James is the son of Kathleen BURGESS and James SNELL, and was born on 13 July 1990 at Dublin, Eire.

SHANNON KIA OLIVIA HUNT

Shannon is the daughter of Kirsty Celia Hunt and was born on 4 February 1999 at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield.

NATASHA JADE BENCE

Natasha is the daughter of Matthew Alan BENCE and Karen Jane EDMONDS and was born on 28 March 1992 at Q.E.2 Hospital, Stevenage.

ALBERT ALAN HUNT

Albert is the son of Stephen Martin Alan HUNT and Debbie CORAL. He was born in July 2004 in the Cambridge Registration District.

ANNABELLE RACHEL HUNT

Annabelle is the daughter of Ian David Hunt and Amanda Juliet Webb Thomas and was born in Poole General Hospital on 18 September 1995. Annabelle was baptized at St Aldhelm's Church, Branksome, Poole. Annabelle attends a small Church of

England school at Tipton St John in Devon. She likes her weekly pony riding lessons and is very artistic. Annabelle was a member of the Brownies and has now moved on to the Girl Guides.

VICTORIA BETHANY HUNT

Victoria is the daughter of Ian David Hunt and Amanda Juliet Webb Thomas and was born at 327 Bournemouth Road, Parkstone, Poole on 20 November 1997. Victoria was baptized at St Aldhelm's Church, Branksome, Poole. Victoria attends the same small Church of England school at Tipton St John in Devon as her sister, and swimming. Victoria is a member of the Brownies.

PETER JAMES ALBERT HUNT

Peter is the son of Ian David Hunt and Amanda Juliet Webb Thomas and was born on 17 November 2004 at La Cosa, Alfington, Ottery St Mary, Devon. Peter was baptized on 19 March 2005 at Alfington Church, Ottery St Mary, Devon.

CHAPTER 9 THE HERBERT FAMILY

The earliest member of the HERBERT family is **Henry HERBERT**. We find on the 1861 Census that Henry HERBERT was born about 1800 - 1801 in Carlisle, Cumberland. I remember my grandmother, Emma Louisa HUNT (nee HERBERT) on hearing the bagpipes played tell me that "I have all that inside me." I wondered what she meant until she explained that she had Scottish ancestors. Now Carlisle is not in Scotland, but it is possible that earlier members of the HERBERT family who I have not yet been able to trace did live over the border. At any rate Henry moved south and on 20 August 1826 married Sophia COX in the Church of St Saviour, Southwark. Sophia was born in about 1808 at Southwark.

In 1833 Henry and Sophia were living at the Ship & Mermaid Row near the present day Guys Hospital and then at King Street, Bermondsey. Henry moved around and his other known addresses are 1835 to 1849 14 Thomas Street, Saint George the Martyr, Southwark; 1851 to 1856 15 Seymour Place, off Walworth Road; 1861 9 Allen Street, St Mary Newington, Lambeth in the Municipal Ward St Peter Walworth; in 1871 he lived at 45 Mina Road, St Mary Newington, St Peter Walworth, Lambeth in the Ecclesiastical District of All Saints, Newington; on 30 November 1871 when he died he was living at Church Street, Bocking, Braintree, Essex.

Henry had a variety of employment during his lifetime. In 1830 he was a Clerk, in 1833 he was a Labourer, in 1835 he was a Clerk again, and on 25 May 1835 he was a 2nd Class Foreman St Katherines Dock Company. In 1839 and 1844 he was again a Labourer but by 5 June 1849 he was a Clerk again. In 1861 he was a Check Clerk and from 1862 to his retirement he was a Mercantile Clerk. He retired on 1st October 1865 and received a pension from the East India Company.

It seems that Henry's clerical abilities were also turned to good use as he was Secretary of The Society of the United Britons. He carried out his work for the Society so well that in 1852 the members of the Society presented him with a portrait of himself. The inscription above the portrait reads:

Mr
H. Herbert
Secretary to
THE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED BRITONS
This portrait Subscribed for Presentation
To him as a token of Esteem
By Members of the Society
November 25th

1852

I have endeavoured to find out more about The Society of the United Britons. It would seem that it was a Friendly Society or Benefit Society to which members paid a regular amount of money and in times of sickness or need the Society would provide financial assistance to the member – a form of insurance. There is reference to the Society in an Old Bailey trial held on 10 January 1828, a case of assault for which the penalty was death, Nicholas Henigan the accused and Robert Taylor the victim of the assault were both members of a benefit society called the United Britons.

The St Katharine Docks Bill was passed in 1825; the foundation stone was laid in May 1827. Records show that over 11,000 people were displaced by the works. Public protests at the destruction of the ancient hospital and other buildings resulted in a huge compensation bill for the company. In clearing the ground for this magnificent speculation, 1250 houses and tenements were purchased and pulled down. St Katharine Docks' construction was one of the biggest tasks ever undertaken in London, and it took just two years to complete. Some 2,500 men were employed to move rubble and soil (including the remains from the churchyard) into barges which were then taken up-river by the contractor Thomas Cubitt.

It may be that The Society of the United Britons operated for the welfare of those employed in the construction of the Docks and the men later employed in the Docks. If only Henry Herbert's portrait could speak to us!

In 1844 Henry HERBERT was living at 14 Thomas Street, Southwark, Surrey and was employed as a labourer. At the time of the 1861 Census Henry and Sophia were living at 9 Allen Street, St Mary Newington, Lambeth, Municipal Ward St Peter Walworth and Henry had bettered himself to become a Check Clerk and by 1865 he had become a Mercantile Clerk. Henry died from congestion of the lungs at Church Street, Bocking, Braintree, Essex on 30 November 1877 and was buried in Bocking Cemetery on 6 December 1877. The Vicar taking the funeral service was the Rev. Arthur Squibb.

Henry and Sophia had seven children as far as I have been able to trace. They were:-

Harriet Elizabeth HERBERT born 22 September 1827 at Southwark. She was baptized on 14 October 1827 at St Saviour, Southwark.

Clara Sophia HERBERT born 10 May 1830 at Southwark, baptized on 30 May 1830 at St Saviour, Southwark. She died in Bermondsey on 28 April 1833 and was buried at St Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey, Surrey.

Martha HERBERT born 17 October 1832 at Southwark, Surrey, baptized 6 January 1833 at St Saviour, Southwark. On the 1861 Census she was a Copper Nail Maker and unmarried living at 9 Allen Street, St Mary Newington, Lambeth, Municipal Ward St Peter Walworth.

Martha married James DAVIS at St Peter's Walworth on 16 February 1862.

Henry HERBERT born 30 December 1834 at Southwark, baptized 26 April 1835 at St Saviour, Southwark. On the 1861 Census Henry was living at 9 Allen Street, St Mary Newington, Lambeth, Municipal Ward St Peter Walworth, was unmarried and employed as a Dock Labourer. Henry married Louisa PAPWORTH at St Peter Walworth on 28 October 1866. Henry died on 14 February 1898 at 51 Hill Street, Peckham, London aged 63. Louisa was born at Willingham,. Cambridgeshire in 1847 and died on 9 November 1898 at Peckham, London. Henry and Louisa had seven children:-

Margaret Elizabeth HERBERT born 1867 – 68 Henry (Harry) HERBERT born 1869 at Newington, South London Martha HERBERT Jane HERBERT Henry John HERBERT born 27 June 1872 at Newington, South London

Mary HERBERT

William Robert HERBERT

Of these children Henry (Harry) born in 1869 married Caroline FLOWERDAY (born on 13 August 1870 at 19, Crown Street, Hammersmith, Middlesex) on 12 August 1893 at the Parish Church, Chiswick, Middlesex. Henry was a printer.

He died in 1931 at East Dulwich, South London. Caroline died in 1959 at Sidcup, Kent.

Henry and Caroline had nine children:-

Maud Margaret HERBERT born 1895

Henry Walter HERBERT born 1897

Grace HERBERT

Dorothy May (Doris) HERBERT

William Robert ("Miff") HERBERT

John Frederick George HERBERT born as a twin with Winifred at 10.30.a.m. on 8 July 1906 at 19 Colwell Road, East Dulwich, London Winifred Caroline HERBERT born as a twin with John on 8 July 1906 at 19 Colwell Road, East Dulwich, London

Hilda Mary HERBERT

Reginald Horace HERBERT

Little is known of most of this family but John Frederick George HERBERT married Gladys Olive WILLIAMS (born 18 August 1903 at Caldecote, Old Welwyn, Hertfordshire) at Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire on 27 December 1930. John Frederick George HERBERT died on 5 November 1984 at Cuckfield Hospital, Cuckfield, East Sussex. Gladys Olive died on 28 October 1989 at Cuckfield Hospital, Cuckfield, East Sussex.

John and Gladys had three children:-

Helen Gladys HERBERT born 24 February 1934 Ann Winifred HERBERT born 11 April 1939 at Sidcup, Kent Martyn John HERBERT born 8 July 1944 at Bengeo, Hertfordshire

Helen Gladys HERBERT married Robert Francis OLIVER (born 19 November 1936 at Croydon, Surrey) on 4 April 1959 at St Mildred's Church, Addiscombe, Croydon, Surrey.

Ann Winifred HERBERT married Andrew PALMER on 25 April 1959 at St Mildred's Church, Addiscombe, Croydon, Surrey. Ann Winifred died on 9 November 1992 at East Dean, Eastbourne, Sussex

Martyn John HERBERT married Elizabeth HAMMOND in 1970 at Purley, Croydon, Surrey.

Sophia HERBERT born 22 May 1839 at 14 Thomas Street, Southwark. Sophia married **Henry TAYLOR** between July and September 1860 in the registration district of St George, Southwark. Henry TAYLOR was born

about 1839 in Walworth, London. Sophia TAYLOR was present at the death of her father Edward HERBERT. At that time she was living at 9 Saye Street, Deptford.

On the 1881 Census we find the TAYLOR family living at 85 Verney Road, Camberwell, Surrey as follows:-

Name	Relation Marital Status Gender Age Birthplace Occupation				
Harry TAYLOR	Head M	Male	42	Newington, Surrey	Fish Porter
Sophia TAYLOR	Wife M	Female	41	Southwark, Surrey	
Henry TAYLOR	Son	Male	19	Newington, Surrey	Painter
William TAYLOR	Son	Male	18	Newington, Surrey	Painter
Sophia TAYLOR	Daur	Female	15	Camberwell, Surrey	Collar Work (S)
Thomas TAYLOR	Son	Male	9	Bermondsey, Surrey	
Martha TAYLOR	Daur	Female	4	Bermondsey, Surrey	
Maud TAYLOR	Daur	Female	1	Lambeth, Surrey	

On the 1901 Census Henry was a Carpenter living with his family at St Paul, Deptford.

Edward HERBERT born 1 July 1844 at 14 Thomas Street, Southwark, Bermondsey, Surrey. Edward is my great grandfather and is referred to later.

William HERBERT born 5 June 1849 at 14 Thomas Street, Southwark. On the 1861 Census he was living at 9 Allen Street, St Mary Newington, Lambeth, Municipal Ward St Peter Walworth.

Between October and December 1869 in the Newington registration district he married **Juliet WOOD** (the daughter of Henry **WOOD** a house decorator and Mary Ann **HATCHER**) who had been born in Newington in about 1851. On the 1901 Census William was living with his family at Fenns Road Bleak House, Bocking, Essex and was employed as a Raw Silk Inspector

William and Juliet had ten children:-

Juliette HERBERT born about 1874 in Shoreditch.

Jessie HERBERT born about 1875 in Bocking, Essex.

Henry Oswald HERBERT born about 1877 in Bocking, Essex. On the 1901 Census Henry is living at Camberwell and is a Shop Assistant Hatters.

Kathleen HERBERT born about 1879 in Bocking, Essex. On the 1901 Census Kathleen is living at Bocking, Essex and is a Book Keeper in a Shop.

George R. HERBERT born about 1880 in Bocking, Essex.

Tom HERBERT born about 1885 in Walthamstow, Essex. On the 1901 Census Tom is living in Camberwell and is an Accourrement Maker

Clarence HERBERT born about 1887 in Walthamstow, Essex. On the 1901 Census Clarence is living in Camberwell and although only aged 14 is a Cabinet Maker.

Hilda HERBERT born about 1889 in Walthamstow, Essex. **Edith HERBERT** born about 1890 in Walthamstow, Essex.

Constance HERBERT born about 1893 in Walthamstow, Essex.

Now to return to Edward HERBERT the son of Henry HERBERT and Sophia COX, my great grandfather who was born on 1 July 1844 at 14 Thomas Street, Southwark, Bermondsey, Surrey. Edward was deaf and dumb but earned a living as a Boot Maker / Boot Finisher.

On 18 December 1865 he married Eliza Louisa ROBINSON (who also was deaf and dumb) at St Mary, Newington, Surrey. The witnesses to the marriage were James Joseph LEVERMORE and Elizabeth LEVERMORE. The Vicar was Rev. David Campbell.

Edward and Eliza Louisa had seven children

Martha Mary Ann HERBERT born 25 November 1867 at Newington, Surrey. In 1871 she was living at 7 Each Cottages, Bermondsey, Southwark, Surrey and in 1881 she was living at 17 Hargreave Square, Alice Street, Bermondsey, Surrey. In October 1891 at Lambeth Martha Mary Ann married James Thomas FOWLER. James and Martha Mary Ann had one son. Percy James FOWLER born on 3 September 1893. Martha Mary Ann died in 1894 at the early age of 27 leaving James with a one year old son to care for. James Thomas FOWLER then married Louisa WISEMAN (born about 1871, a friend of Martha Mary Ann) in 1895. They had four children, Constance (Connie) born about 1898 in Lambeth, James, Edward and Carrie. Constance (Connie) married a Mr Evans.

She tried to scare Harry by gassing herself.

Carrie was blind and married a man who also was blind. Edward married Elizabeth MORAN in 1926, and they had two children,

Henry (HARRY) James FOWLER born in 1926 and Louisa FOWLER. Edward Fowler and his wife Elizabeth Moran split up. Louisa stayed with her mother and Harry stayed with his father. Harry Fowler became a film and television actor and his agent was Kenneth Earle.

Learning how to properly use his larynx and lungs while working as a London newsboy, British actor Harry Fowler entered radio in the early years of World War II, playing brash cockney kids. Fowler's film entree was the moraleboosting Salute John Citizen (1942), and within five years he was playing juvenile leads, notably the insouciant street kid in Hue and Cry (1947). Headlining in programmers while confined to supporting parts in major films, Fowler showed up in such productions as A Spot of Bother (1952), The Pickwick Papers (1953), Fire Maidens from Outer Space (1956) (as the standard sci-fi comedy relief), I Was Monty's Double (1958) and Lawrence of Arabia (1962). Sporting a moustache to qualify for grownup roles, Harry Fowler was a regular on the British TV comedy series The Army Game and Our Man at St. Mark's. He also appeared in Doctor Who. Henry James (Harry) FOWLER married Joan DOWLING in 1951. Joan committed suicide in March 1954 after Harry was caught as a philanderer.

Percy James FOWLER born on 3 September 1893, the son of James Thomas FOWLER and Martha Mary Ann HERBERT married Lillie (Lily) Eliza PEGLER in 1915 and they had three children, Edward, James and Connie FOWLER. Lillie Eliza died of peritonitis in 1936. Connie who was then 14

years old went to live in Bexley with an aunt and uncle on her mother's side, got a job in Woolworths and then in the Second World War enlisted and was posted to Newcastle where she worked in the ops room on radar.

Edward Henry HERBERT born about July 1869 in Bermondsey, Surrey. In 1871 he was living at 7 Each Cottages, Bermondsey, Southwark, Surrey and in 1881 he was living at 17 Hargreave Square, Alice Street, Bermondsey, Surrey.

Eliza HERBERT born April - June 1871 in Bermondsey, Surrey. In 1881 she was living at 17 Hargreave Square, Alice Street, Bermondsey, Surrey and in 1891 she was living at 9 Sayes Street, St Paul, Deptford, Greenwich, St Luke.

Frederick Arthur Henry HERBERT born 21 September 1872 in Bermondsey, Surrey. In 1881 he was living at 17 Hargreave Square, Alice Street, Bermondsey, Surrey. Frederick Arthur Henry HERBERT married Amelia Charlotte HENN on 27 December 1902 in St George's Parish Church, Bloomsbury, London. The address on his marriage certificate is 97 Queensmill Road, Bloomsbury, London, S.W. and his occupation was shown as a Labourer. On the 1891 Census Frederick was a Private in the Infantry and was stationed at Exeter Town Barracks, St David. He fought in the Boer War which would account for his name not appearing in the 1901 Census. On the 1901 Census his future wife Amelia HENN was living with her older sister Edith Emma HENN (aged 37 on the Census) and sister's niece Edith L. HENN (aged 16 on the Census) at 16 Lower Russell Street, South Bloomsbury, Holborn. On the 1901 Census Amelia is shown as aged 29 and is employed as a lawyer's wig maker. Amelia died aged 66 between January and March 1938 in the Brentford registration district.

Following Amelia's death, Frederick Arthur Henry HERBERT then married **Rebecca Buxton KITCHIN** between July and September 1939 in the Brentford registration district.

Frederick worked until he was 65 erecting telegraph poles, then for 20 years he worked for a removals firm. Still active he then took on an office job and died at the age of 97 between April and June 1969 in a Salvation Army home in Somerset. Frederick Arthur HERBERT had one son (name unknown). I remember on several times meeting Frederick Arthur Henry HERBERT (Uncle Fred) and his second wife Rebecca Buxton (nee KITCHIN), on one occasion visiting them in their home together with my parents and Emma Louisa HUNT (nee HERBERT) and Ivy Grace HUNT. Uncle Fred had a dog and when my father sat in a chair the dog growled at him. Dad was told that he was sitting in the dog's chair so he quickly moved especially as Dad was wary of dogs, a trait which I have inherited. Uncle Fred's kitchen was rather dark and Emma Louisa was concerned that the watercress which we were given for tea could not have been properly washed in the gloomy kitchen.

John HERBERT born between July and September 1874 in Bermondsey, Surrey. In 1881 he was living at 17 Hargreave Square, Alice Street, Bermondsey, Surrey and in 1891 he was living at 9 Sayes Street, St Paul, Deptford, Greenwich, St Luke.

Alice Rose HERBERT was born on 13 May 1876 at 17 Hargreave Square, Leather Market, Bermondsey, Surrey, the daughter of Edward HERBERT and Eliza Louisa ROBINSON. Eliza Louisa ROBINSON was the daughter of Lewis ROBINSON and Matilda Augusta KILBY who were married between July and September 1837 in the St Mary Newington registration district. Matilda Augusta KILBY was the daughter of Richard KILBY and Sarah ELLIS who were married on 7 September 1815 at the Church of St George the Martyr, Southwark, Surrey.

Alice Rose HERBERT is believed to have had three husbands. Her first marriage at the age of 19 was to **Robert Alexander SPEER** (who was born 31 October 1867 at 8 Wilsons Buildings, Kennington Lane) on 25 December 1893 at All Saints Church, Newington, London. At that time Alice Rose was living at 3 Alfreton Street, Stoke Newington, London, the same address as Robert Alexander SPEER. Robert Alexander SPEER, whose occupation was as a French Polisher died on 26 October 1902 in Brook Street Workhouse Infirmary, Lambeth.

The children from Alice Rose's marriage to Robert Alexander SPEER as far as can be ascertained were:

Agnes SPEER Date of birth not known but she had two daughters.

Marion SPEER Date of birth not known and parentage uncertain.

Robert Henry SPEER born in 1894 in Lambeth and died at the age of 9 months in 1895 at Lambeth.

Frederick Robert SPEER born about 1895 in Lambeth.

Lydia Frances SPEER born about 1898 in Vauxhall, Lambeth.

Jane Elizabeth SPEER born 4 December 1899 at 23 Salamanca Street, Vauxhall and died 28 April 1985 at Warley Hospital, Brentwood, Essex. Jane Elizabeth married **Frederick HARRIS** who was born in 1898 and died in 1964.

William Edward SPEER born about 1901 in Lambeth. William SPEER and his brother John SPEER enlisted with The Royal Berkshire Regiment in November 1916 as drummer boys. William went to India then learned to play trumpet and bass. He came home to England , possibly to Manchester-after he finished his Army service.

John Frederick SPEER born about 1903 in Lambeth. John enlisted with The Royal Berkshire Regiment in November 1916. He joined as a drummer boy with brother William. He learned trumpet and bass. When he left the Army he stayed in India and drove a train for the Punjabi Railway. After a year he left and went to Canada where he became a fur trader with sledge and husky dogs working for the Hudson Bay Company. He became a member of Exit when he discovered he had cancer and committed suicide. He tried to leave

his body to medical science but it was not accepted when they found he had committed suicide.

Elizabeth (Bessie) Martha SPEER born 24 March 1905 at 15 Gun Street, Southwark. On her birth certificate Robert Alexander SPEER is given as her father although he had died in 1902! Elizabeth married **Charlie BROOME**.

Anne SPEER born 21 November 1910 at 36 Wickham Street, Vauxhall. Anne had no children.

Alice Rose is thought next to have married **William HARRIS**, a General Labourer the son of "German" HARRIS, although no record of such a marriage has so far been found in the G.R.O. marriage registers. Perhaps this accounts for the children born after the death of Robert Alexander SPEER being registered in his name rather than under the name of HARRIS. No children of the HARRIS marriage have yet been found. William HARRIS died by committing suicide in 1912.

Alice Rose obviously did not like to be on her own and on 10 May 1913 she married John James BROWN He served in the First World War and was discharged and sent home suffering from consumption. He worked as drayman for a public house and on Alice Rose's death certificate he was described as a Horse Carman.

Alice Rose and John James BROWN had six children so far as can be ascertained:-

Alec BROWN, date of birth unknown.

John BROWN born about 1914 in Vauxhall, Lambeth.

George BROWN born 1 May 1915 at 52 Auckland Street, Vauxhall, S.E. 11. On 24 November 1955 George was present at his mother Alice Rose's death and at that date he was living at 49 Rodenhurst Road, S.W.4. He had no children.

Alexander BROWN born about 1917, birthplace unknown. He did not marry.

Adelaide Victoria (Nancy) BROWN born about 1919 in Vauxhall, Lambeth. She had no children.

William BROWN born about 1922 in Vauxhall, Lambeth and died of croup in 1924 in Vauxhall, Lambeth.

Alice Rose BROWN died aged 79 of Broncho-pneumonia on 24 November 1955 in hospital at Stockwell.

Uncle Stan thought that Alice Rose had 18 children (something of a record!) and because she could not remember all their names with a lack of originality

called them Georgie 1, Georgie 2, etc. It has been difficult to establish the parentage of some children as they were registered as the child of a deceased father

Uncle Stan remembered meeting Alice Rose and recalled that she had painful nerves in her face. She was fond of drinking gin, possibly to relieve the pain. She always left the door to her house open. Uncle Stan thought that she lived at 7 Langley Lane near the railway and Southwark Bridge.

Emma Louisa HERBERT (my grandmother) born 27 July 1878 at 17 Hargreave Square, Alice Street, Bermondsey, Surrey (St Olave). Emma Louisa HERBERT was the youngest member of the HERBERT family which is dealt with in a separate chapter. On the 1881 Census Emma Louisa HERBERT was aged 3 and living at 17 Hargreave Square, Bermondsey, Surrey

Edward HERBERT died aged 55 of Intestinal Nephritis and Diarrhoea on 17 September 1899 in the Union Workhouse, Greenwich East. His daughter Sophia TAYLOR of 9 Saye Street, Deptford was present at his death and registered his death making her mark as she was illiterate. It is surprising that his wife Eliza Louisa HERBERT (nee ROBINSON) was not present at his death.

Following the death of Edward HERBERT his Widow, Eliza Louisa HERBERT (nee ROBINSON) married an Irishman, **John WHITE**, a marble mason, on 5 August 1900 at All Saints Church, Newington, London. Witnesses to the marriage were John and Matilda CULLY.

Charles Booth's Inquiry into the Life and Labour of the People in London, undertaken between 1886 and 1903 was one of several surveys of working class life carried out in the 19th century and in it he describes Hargreave Square, Bermondsey as follows:-

Hargreave Square on the N. side of Alice Street. 2 storey houses with forecourts. From purple to light blue (this refers to his map on which the relative wealth or poverty of areas was defined by colours. Purple was "Mixed. Some comfortable, others poor", and light blue was "Poor. 18 shillings to 21 shillings a week for moderate family") Crowds of children here; (our family were probably among them) many doors open; dirt abundant. The houses are four roomed with wash-houses and small yards. Rents 9s.0d. Most were said to be sub-let by the occupier who gave me information.

Another researcher tells me that Hargreave Square was made up of small terraced houses, situated off Alice Street, which runs parallel to what is now Tower Bridge Road. This little square was pulled down in the early 1930's to make way for the Meakin Estate.

CONCLUSION

I count it a privilege that I have known and at one time or another met all my grandparents, and most of my aunts and uncles both on the HUNT side of the family and on my mother's EDENS side of the family. I only wish I had thought to ask them things which I now wish I knew, but one does not think of such things until one reaches a more mature age.

I have done my best to check the accuracy of the contents of this document, but apologize if I have included anything that is incorrect or (most likely) have omitted persons or information that should be included. I should be very grateful if I could be informed of any errors or omissions, and in particular for information which I have indicated in the text is not known and information regarding the nature of employment, education, hobbies and so on.

Postscript to Fourth Edition

I am indebted to many people for their information, which of itself may have seemed trivial to them, but which provided me with the clues to research further into the Hunt family history. A great deal of information and photographs has been obtained from people (some as far away as Australia) who I have never met, nor even knew of their existence, until I made contact with them through that marvel of modern science, the Internet.

Nearer to home Pauline June Hunt gave me information regarding Britannia Row, Islington, Ann Margaret Tarry provided information from an old family Bible and photographs, and in particular I am grateful for the many reminiscences, photographs and information given to me by my uncle, Stanley Allan Hunt, without whose help this would not have been written.

In honour of his memory I dedicate this booklet to the memory of Stanley Allan Hunt 1914 - 2005

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