

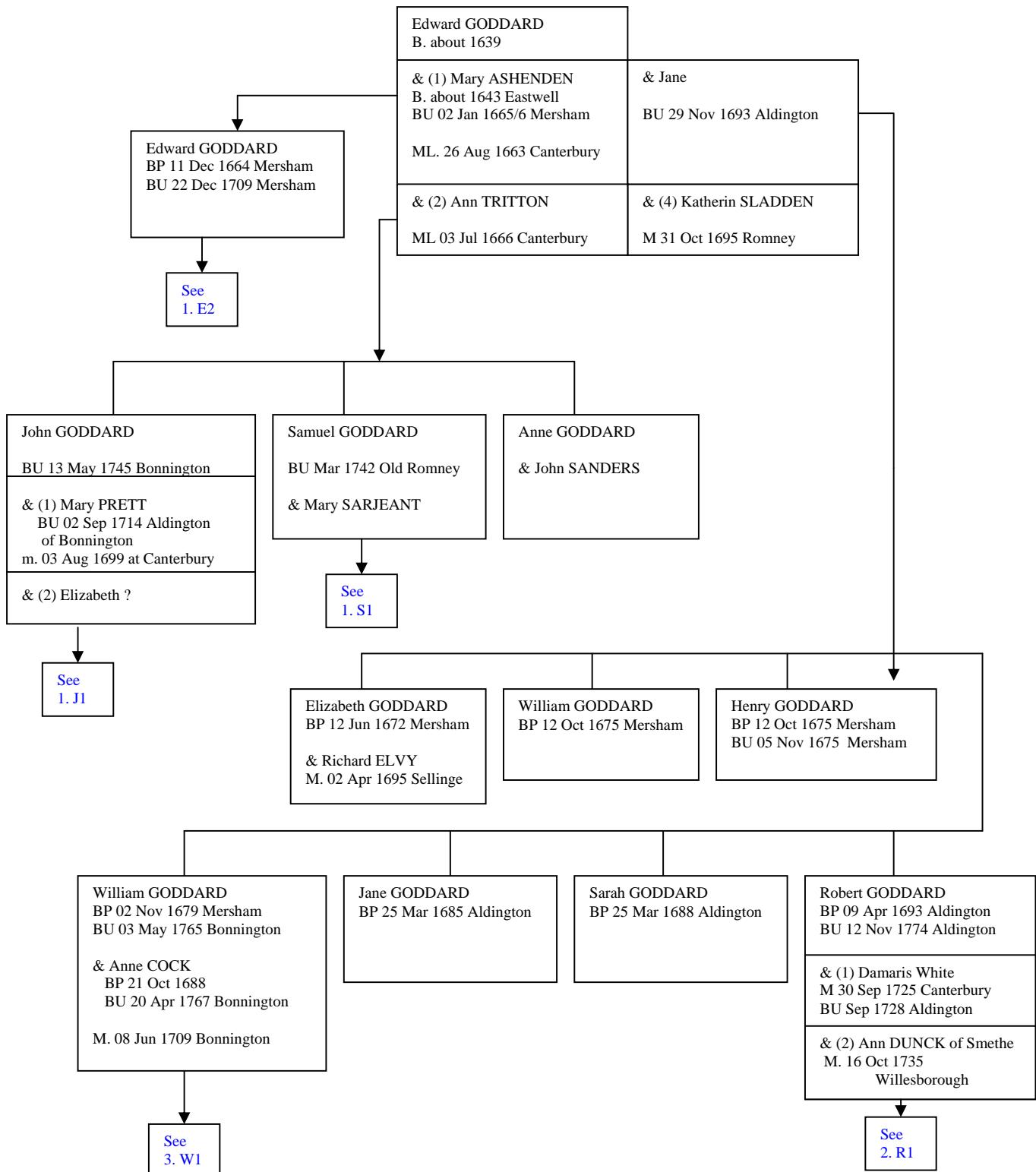
Joan Dibble's Goddard Family of Kent

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(1. E1)Edward Goddard 1639



Edward and Mary are currently at the top of our tree. Edward was a tanner by trade and he seems to have been resident in Ashford at the time of his first marriage. Note that in 1664, Edward Goddard of Ashford Town was paying hearth tax on 4 hearths implying a fairly significant residence. However, I believe that Edward has strong ties to the Mersham area and returns there often through his life.

There is a marriage licence for Edward dated 26 Aug 1663. Edward was said to be a tanner of about 24 years of age and a bachelor. Edward married Mary Ashenden of Eastwell, a 20 year old virgin whose parents are both dead. Her guardian, James Younge, gave his consent to the marriage as was testified by Benjamin Boiler (or Bowyer) of Ashford, a linen draper. They were licensed to marry at St. Mildred's in Canterbury. Based on Edward's age at the time of marriage, we can estimate his year of birth as around 1639.

- Edward and Mary had one son Edward who was baptised in Mersham on 11 December 1664. Edward died unmarried in 1709 but he left a will which is detailed in [1. E2](#).

Mary, wife of Edward, was buried in Mersham on 02 Jan 1665/6.

Edward married again in 1666. There is a marriage license dated 03 July 1666 which states that Edward Goddard of Mersham, a widowed tanner was licensed to marry Ann Tritton of Aldington. Ann was the widow of Samuel Tritton late of Aldington. The marriage was to take place in All Saints Canterbury. A marriage bond was provided by Matthew Stiles of St. Peter, Canterbury, cordwainer.

On another marriage licence, Edward was mentioned as a 3rd party. Thomas Bigge, of Ashford, bricklayer, widower was licensed to marry Mary Kingsford a 24 year old maiden also of Ashford. Mary was the daughter of John Kingsford of Challock, a trugge maker, who consented to the marriage which was testified to by Edward Goddard of Mersham, a tanner. The license was dated 01 November 1666 and the marriage was to take place at St. Bredman's Church in Canterbury.

There are then 3 children which we have not found the baptism for but are confirmed by the will of Edward's son, Edward, as his siblings.

- John Goddard would have been born sometime between 1666 and 1672; we are not sure where but it would be in the Marsh area. John goes on to marry Mary Prett in 1699. When his brother Edward dies in 1709, he indicates that John has 4 children in Bonnington. See [\(1. J1\)](#) for details of John's family.
- Anne Goddard was the daughter of Edward and Anne but we have not found a baptism for her. She is noted in her brother's will dated 1709 as married to John Sanders and having 4 children in Aldington.
- Samuel Goddard would have been born between 1666 and 1672 but we do not have a baptism for him. He is mentioned in his brothers will. Samuel goes on to marry Mary Sarjeant. We have not found the marriage record but we have significant supporting evidence from the wills of her father and brother. See [\(1. S1\)](#).

It is likely that Edward's wife Anne died before 1679 and that Edward remarried to a woman called Jane as the baptism of his other children record the mother as Jane. The children we can definitely identify are:

- Elizabeth Goddard baptised at Mersham 12 June 1672. She is recorded to be the daughter of Edward and *Mary* which we do not have an answer for. Elizabeth married Richard Elvy in Sellinge 02 April 1695.
- William Goddard baptised in Mersham 12 October 1675. William was one of twins and while we have not found a burial for him, he did not survive as Edward named his next son William.
- Henry Goddard baptised 12 October 1675 would have been the twin of William. He did not survive and was buried at about 1 month of age in Mersham on 05 November 1675.
- William Goddard baptised Aldington 02 November 1679, the son of Edward and Jane. William goes on to marry Ann Cock in 1709 and is documented in Chapter 3 ([see 3. W1](#)).
- Jane Goddard baptised Aldington 25 March 1685, daughter of Edward and Jane. Jane is referred to her brother Edwards will as Mary Jane.
- Sarah Goddard baptised Aldington 25 March 1688, daughter of Edward and Jane. Sarah is mentioned in her brothers will.
- Robert Goddard baptised Aldington 09 April 1693. Robert's descendants are mapped out in Chapter 2, see ([2. R1](#)).

The Mersham register does have one unusual entry: 'Godder's children baptised 11 April 1667', these could well be children of Edward and Ann which we have not found the baptisms for. We have no way of knowing.

We have not positively identified the death of Edward.

No will has been found for Edward.

There is a record at Canterbury (in LATIN and untranslated) of a dispute involving Jane Goddard daughter of John Tritton of Kennington. We can not be sure of a relationship without a translation of the document.

We know that Edward's wife Jane was buried in Aldington on the 29 November 1693. This would have left Edward with a large family with young children

It seems that Edward married for what appears to be the 4th time to Katherin Sladden in Romney on the 31 October 1695. We have no record of children from this marriage

(1. E2) Edward Goddard 1664 – 1709

Edward Goddard is the son of Edward Goddard and Mary Ashenden. He was baptised in Mersham on 11 December 1664, the son of Edward and Mary. His mother, Mary, died when he was just a year old.

Edward was buried in Mersham on 22 December 1709. Edward left a will that is very helpful in defining the family. The will was dated 16 November 1709; reference PRC 17/81/298, and proved in March 1710.

Edward was said to be a carpenter of Ashford. He obviously had non conformist sympathies as he leaves £20 to the congregation of Baptist of Ashford to be disposed of in charitable uses as they see fit. He also leaves 40 shillings to the poor people of Ashford who do not receive parish relief.

He leaves to his sister Anne Sanders, the ‘now’ wife of John Sanders all my wearing linen and other linen. The ‘now’ implies John had been married previously. He leaves to the four children of his sister Anne and her husband John Sanders of Aldington £5 a piece when 21.

He leaves to the four children of his brother John Goddard of Bonnington, the sum of £5 a piece when 21.

He leaves all his woollen apparel to John Sanders and his brother John Goddard.

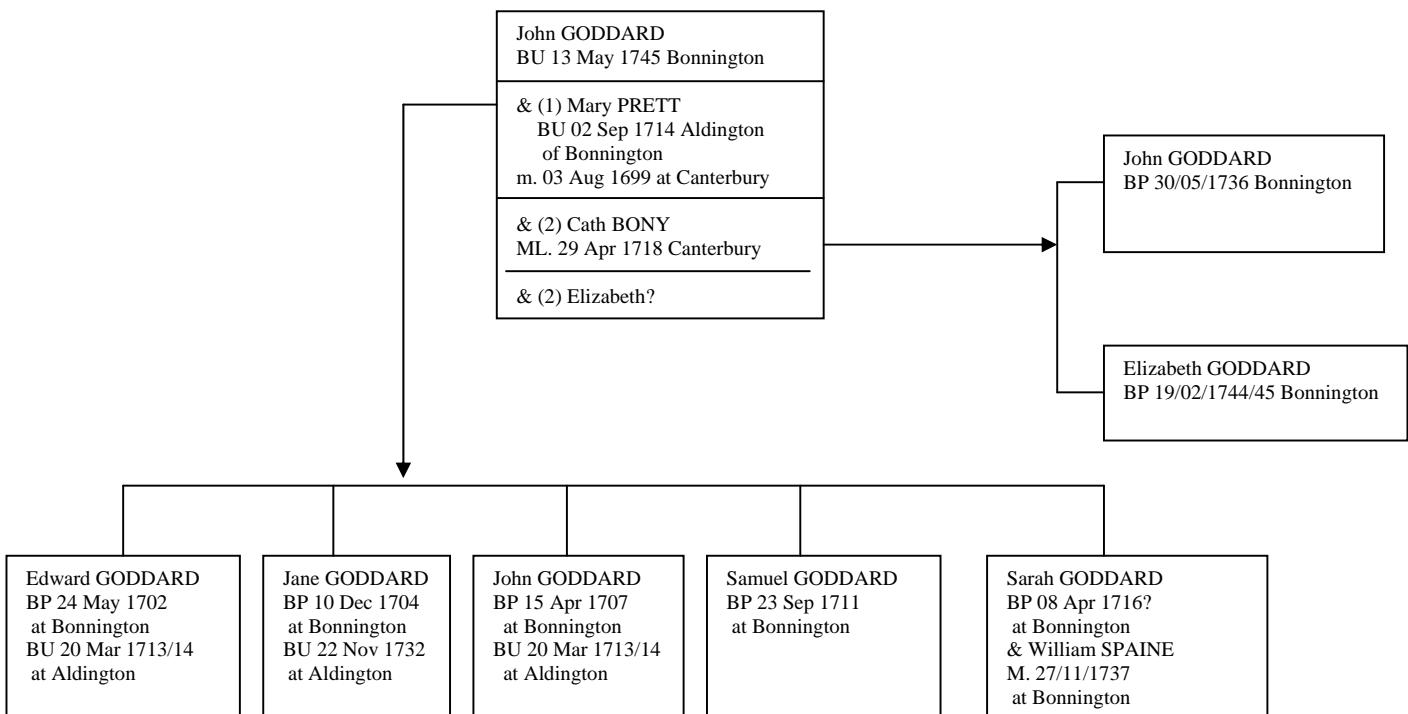
His executors are ordered to sell his bed, clock, watch, working tools, books, and all other household stuff and the money from the sale, after payment of his debts, to his father Edward Goddard. And if his father has died, then to be divided between his brothers and sisters Samuel, Robert, Mary Jane, and Sarah Goddard. These are in fact the youngest children of Edward, his father.

In the East Kent Quarter Sessions Miscellaneous records for July 1682 – January 1701/2, there is an entry for “Goddard, Edward, 1700, July, E4/68, Licence for Baptist, Ashford”

(1. J1) John Goddard (D. 1745)

John is the son of Edward Goddard and Anne Tritton, (see 1. E1). We do not have a baptism for John. Note that the codicil to John's will is witnessed by William and Samuel Goddard which will be his brothers.

The will of Edward Goddard dated 16 Nov 1709 refers to John Goddard of Bonnington as his brother and names their father as Edward Goddard. It also refers to brother Samuel and Robert, sisters Mary Jane and Sarah Goddard and sister Ann married to John Sanders.



John's first wife was Mary Prett who he married in Canterbury. There is a marriage licence dated 03 Aug 1699 which allows John Goddard a bachelor of Aldington to marry Mary Prett, a spinster of the same parish at St Alphege or St. Mary Magdalene, Canterbury.

Mary and John definitely had 4 children:

- Edward Goddard baptised in Bonnington on 24 May 1702 and buried 20 March 1713/14 at almost 12 years of age.
- Jane Goddard baptised in Bonnington on 10 December 1704. She was buried on the 22 November 1732 at almost 28 years of age, unmarried.

- John Goddard baptised 15 April 1707 at Bonnington. He was buried the same day as his brother Edward, 20 March 1713/14 at 7 years old. We could speculate that they died from a contagious disease, possibly small pox.
- Samuel Goddard baptised 23 September 1711. He is mentioned in his father's will, but not much more is known about him.

There is also daughter Sarah who was baptised 08 April 1716 in Bonnington, the daughter of John and Mary. This is a bit of a puzzle because John's wife Mary died in 1714. Could this be a late baptism? We do know from John's will that Sarah went on to marry William Spain on the 27 Nov 1737. We have this marriage record and it is confirmed in John's will.

Mary was buried in 02 September 1714 in Aldington but said to be from Bonnington. 1714 was a bad year for John, as he also lost 2 of his children in March of that year.

There is a marriage licence dated 29 April 1718 which permits John, a widower of Bonnington to marry Cath Bony of Aldington at St. Pauls or St Alphage in Canterbury. We have no other record of Cath.

By the time of John's death in 1745, he was married to Elizabeth. We have not identified this marriage to date, but we do know that there were 2 children from this marriage:

- John Goddard baptised 30 May 1736 at Bonnington.
- Elizabeth Goddard baptised 19 February 1744 at Bonnington.

From the above baptism, we can assume that John married Elizabeth around 1734 or 1735. At the time of John's death, his son John would have been 11 year old and Elizabeth was just one year old.

John Goddard was buried on the 13 May 1745 at Bonnington. Assuming he was born in around 1670, then he would have been 75 and he would have fathered Elizabeth when he was 74. (Is this a little far fetched?) He did leave a will (reference PRC 17/92/98). It states he was a yeoman from Bonnington.

The will is dated 16 April 1745 with a codicil dated 6 May 1745 which must have been signed on his deathbed. The will was proved 21 May 1745.

The will has the opening of saying he is well in body and sound in memory. He died within a month of making the will.

To his loving wife Elizabeth he leaves his 'new built' messuage, stable and out houses, garden and two pieces of pasture of four acres in Aldington in the occupation of Thomas Wybourne. She is to have this for her natural life provided she does not remarry.

After the death of wife Elizabeth, the estate goes to his son John.

From this we know that John was not living at this property and from above we know he was living in Bonnington.

To his son Samuel, all his wearing apparel 'to be delivered to him forthwith'. Also he gives Samuel and his daughter Sarah, the wife of William Spaine, one shilling a piece to be paid immediately.

This may imply that Samuel and Sarah have already received their share (Sarah as a marriage dowry) or at the worst that John has fallen out with them. I would hazard a guess that Samuel was running and living in the estate in Bonnington and that this was already signed over to him, the one problem with this is the statement that his wearing apparel 'to be delivered forthwith' which may imply otherwise. However, no property in Bonnington is mentioned in the will.

He then leaves the residue of his estate to his wife Elizabeth. She is also to be the sole executor.

Witnesses: Ann Francklyn? Francklyn, Thomas Pauble

A codicil follows which he says he has one daughter by my said wife Elizabeth named Elizabeth an infant. He now leaves to his daughter Elizabeth one half of the property previously left to son John. If either John or Elizabeth dies without issue, the whole goes to the other one.

Witnesses: William Goddard & Samuel Goddard.

As stated previously, I believe that William who witnessed this codicil is John's brother and the Samuel is William's son. It is unlikely to be John's son Samuel as he is a beneficiary of the will.

It appears that the widow Elizabeth married soon afterwards on the 14 September 1746 to Samuel Harvey of Stouting in Brenzett. She would have had to forfeit the Aldington property but probably kept the rest of the estate. What became of the 2 youngest children, John and Elizabeth?

We have no further mention of John's son Samuel. What became of him? Is he the Samuel who died in Aldington 22 May 1777?

Note: We have two Samuels. 1) Samuel Goddard baptised 5 Feb 1709/10 son of William and Anne and 2) Samuel Goddard baptised 23 September 1711 son of John and Mary.

With the dates so close together, it is difficult and maybe impossible to sort them out.

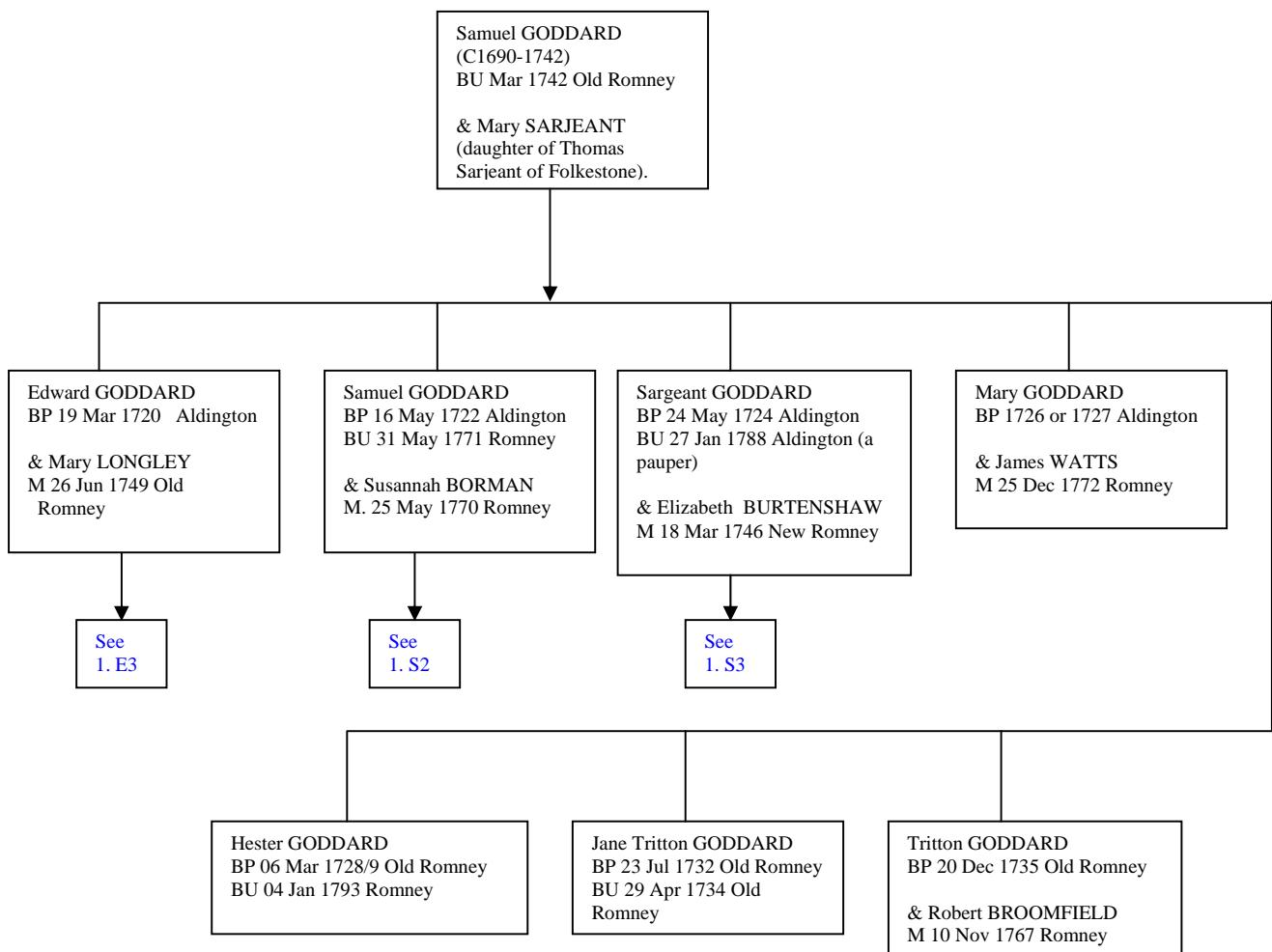
We know that one of them married Catherine Sladden, had 2 daughters and died in 1796. The other one is likely to have died in 1777. We cannot be certain which one was William's son and which one was John's son. The only pointer we have is that William left his son property in Bonnington of over 7 acres which aligns with Samuel & Catharine as this Samuel left property of over 13 acres.

From John's will, it is not clear if his son Samuel inherited any property and in fact it implies that all the property is left to John's youngest son John with just a hint that it may be otherwise (e.g. the property John leaves is in Aldington but John is living in Bonnington).

While this is all very confusing, it should not allow any distraction – neither of these Samuels left a male heir that we have identified.

(1. S1) Samuel Goddard c1670 - 1742

Samuel Goddard would have been born around about 1670 although no baptism for him has been found to date. He is the son of Edward Goddard and Ann Tritton which is confirmed by his brother Edwards will ([see 1. E1](#)).



Samuel has both the link with Aldington where his father lived with his first wife Jane and connections to the Romney area where some of his children were born and where his father married his 4th wife.

A marriage record for Samuel has yet to be found but we know his wife was Mary Sarjeant from both her brother and her father's will.

We have identified there were at least 5, possibly 6, children from the marriage.

- Edward Goddard baptised in Aldington on 19 Mar 1720. Edward married Mary Longley at Old Romney by Banns on 26 Jun 1749. He was said to be of Old Romney and Mary was of Lydd. Edward and Mary had a daughter, Mary, baptised at Old Romney 30 September 1750.
- Samuel Goddard baptised 16 May 1722 at Aldington.
- Sargent Goddard baptised 24 May 1724 at Aldington. Sargeant married Elizabeth Burtonshaw at New Romney 18 Mar 1746.
- Mary Goddard is mentioned in her grandfather's will 1730. Squibs has found her baptism in Aldington shown as Mary daughter of Samuel and Mary Goader. The date is not possible to read. Mary has an illegitimate daughter, Sarah Davis Goddard baptised in Old Romney 6 Dec 1789. Mary marries John Carter in 1792 in Romney. No further details available on Mary. Daughter, Sarah, goes on to marry John Geer of Sunbridge 9 Dec 1815 in Sunbridge. There were 7 children from this marriage found by another researcher but details not available.
- Hester Goddard was baptised in Old Romney on 06 March 1728/29. She was born 01 February the same year. She is not mentioned in Richard Sarjeant's will of 1726 but is mentioned in Thomas Sarjeant's will of 1730. There is a banns read record in Lydd dated 28 September 1755 but no marriage record for Hester Goddard and John Longley. The marriage probably never took place as Hester is buried in Romney as Hester Goddard 04 January 1795. Note that her brother Edward married Mary Longley.
- Jane Tritton Goddard was born 16 July 1732 and buried 29 Apr 1734 in Old Romney.
- Tritton Goddard was baptised 30 Dec 1734 at Old Romney and was born 14 December 1734. She goes on to marry Robert Broomfield on 10 November 1767 in Romney.

Samuel Goddard was Church Warden in Old Romney in 1734. He was buried in Old Romney on 11 March 1742/43.

Thomas Sarjeant's will, dated 1730 refers to his two granddaughters, daughters of Samuel Goddard as Mary and Hester; Tritton was not yet born.

In 1726, Richard Sarjeant's will refers to Samuel and Mary as 'of Aldington' and in 1730 Thomas Sarjeant's will refers to Samuel and Mary as 'of Old Romney'. They obviously made a move between these 2 dates.

There is an inventory at Canterbury (Reference DCb/PRC/18/53/6) dated 11 May 1745 for the goods of Samuel Goddard. This is an extremely interesting document as it gives a fair amount of family information. It appears that Samuel died intestate and that the inventory was part of the process of defining the distribution of his estate.

It states that Samuel was a grazier of Old Romney.

Mary Goddard is the widow of Samuel Goddard of Old Romney. She is now the wife of Francis Riggs. She is the administrator of the estate of Samuel Goddard. She had to present to the court a full inventory of all the goods of Samuel and an account of expenditure.

The inventory is dated 20 September 1743 and there is mention of Samuel's death in March 1742 (buried in Old Romney 11 Mar 1742/43).

Edward Goddard and Samuel Goddard are sons of Samuel deceased. There is an indication of a dispute between their mother Mary and Edward and Samuel. She records that they have sold 100 lambs which were part of the estate of Samuel senior and they say the lambs were given to them.

The inventory also mentions Samuel's children Sarjeant, Mary, Hester and Tritton. It also mentions various legacy to the children from Richard and Thomas Sarjeant and, having found the wills, have established that Mary is the sister of Richard and the daughter of Thomas Sarjeant.

The inventory mentions the Sarjeant family and their daughters. It also notes a legacy given to Mary Goddard and Hester Goddard by Thomas Serjeant which Samuel Goddard held for them of £80. A further legacy to Edward, Samuel and Serjeant Goddard from Richard Serjeant of £140 is mentioned.

The inventory is for a house with a kitchen, parlour, milkhouse, brewhouse, kitchen chamber, wash house chamber, a cellar, and wool chamber.

In the House-field is 327 two year old yews, in the Pound field 78 barren sheep, in the Nineteen Acres – 72 weathers and 186 lambs, in the Thirty Acres – 53 old sheep, 112 weather faggs, 14 old rams, 4 milk cows,... hogs horses etc.

The inventory is detailed and gives an excellent view of their lifestyle.

Total inventory £1029, which is a fair sum for the date.

There is mention of rent, so the property was not freehold

The Will of Richard Sarjeant 1726*

The will is dated 3 Nov 1726 and Richard is said to be a grazier of Kingsnorth.

He leaves to his sister, Hester, 3 pieces of marsh land of 7 acres in parishes of Newchurch and Ivychurch in Romney Marsh with the house, barn, stables, outbuildings, gardens. Orchards and all appurtenances purchased from John Lawrefield.

But if Hester dies without issue, then the property is to go to my two nephews Samuel and Sarjeant Goddard, the two younger sons of Samuel and Mary Goddard of Aldington.

To my sister Mary, the wife of Samuel Goddard of Aldington, £140. She also has all the furniture in the parlour at the vicarage house in Willesborough vicarage, 2 pairs of sheets and 2 pairs of pillow coats.

* Source: CKS PRC 17/86/47.

When my sister Mary receives the £140, I will and require her husband Samuel Goddard to give bond to Mr Thomas Marsh in Ashford, surgeon to leave the said monies at his death to be distributed amongst my three nephews to Edward £40, to Samuel £50, and to Sarjeant £50 when 21.

If my brother-in-law Samuel Goddard will give his wife and children each of them a suit of Mourning at my funeral, I give and bequest all my wearing apparel unto him.

I give to my trusty and well respected friend Mr Thomas Marsh surgeon at Ashford my brown gelding, my silver spurs, ,y silver button whip, and my best horse cloth willing and requiring him to manage the affairs of my sister Hester and to take care that this my will be executed according to the true intent and meaning thereof.

I give and bequest onto my honoured father (after all my legacies, debts, and funeral charges be all paid) all the remainder of the stock, household goods, and movables whatsoever.

If Hester dies without issue, the silver cup is to go to nephew Sarjeant Goddard. Forty shillings is to be spent on bread to be given to the poor.

Father, Thomas Sarjeant and Thomas Marsh are executors.

The Will of Thomas Sargeant 1730*

The will is dated 04 July 1730 and Thomas is said to be of Folkestone.

Jane, my beloved wife, shall receive the interest of £300 during her natural life as the same was settled upon her before our intermarriage.

I give and bequest unto my 2 grand daughters Mary Goddard and Hester Goddard the two daughters of Samuel Goddard of Old Romney, the sum of £40 a piece to be paid out of the £300 after the death of my wife Jane.

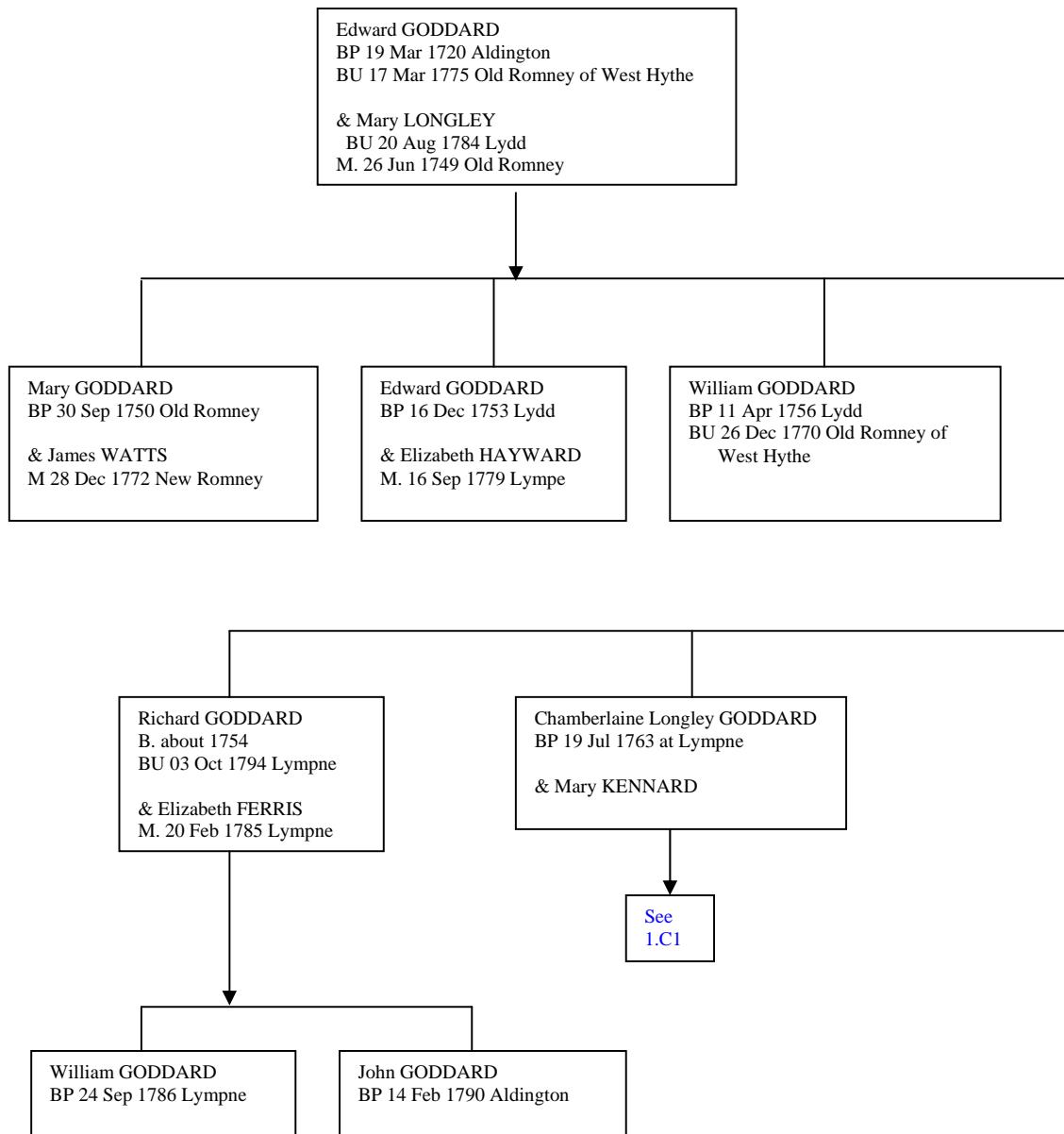
I give unto Sargeant Goddard, my grandson, £20 when 21.

All the residue to his son-in-law Stephen Marsh of Folkestone and Hester his wife who are also executors of his will.

* Source: CKS PRC 17/88/16

(1. E3) Edward Goddard 1720 – 1775

Edward is the son of Samuel Goddard and Mary Sargeant. He was baptised in Aldington on 19 March 1720.



Edward Goddard married Mary Longley in Old Romney on 26 June 1749. Mary was said to be from Lydd.

They had the following children baptised.

- Mary Goddard daughter of Edward and Mary baptised at Old Romney on 30 September 1750.

- Edward Goddard son of Edward and Mary baptised 16 December 1753. Edward is noted as a Labourer.
- William Goddard son of Edward & Mary baptised 11 April 1756.
- Chamberlain Longley Goddard baptised 19 July 1763 at Lympne. The baptismal record shows his father as Edward but with a middle name of Longley, we can be almost certain that he is the son of Edward Goddard and Mary Longley.
- Richard Goddard is a probable son of Edward and Mary; we have not found his baptism. He married Elizabeth Ferris in Lympne on 20 February 1785. The couple had two known children; William Goddard baptised in Lympne on 03 October 1786 and John Goddard baptised at Aldington on 14 February 1790. Richard was buried in Lympne on 03 October 1794 and was noted as 40 years of age which gives us an approximate birth date of 1754.

It is probable that Edward and Mary had additional children which we have not yet identified.

Edward was a labourer and forced to move to find work. We first find him in Old Romney when he married Mary Longley. Their first child is born in Old Romney in 1750. By 1753 they are in Lydd where son Edward is born and William in 1756. Then in 1763, Edward is in Lympne where Chamberlaine is born.

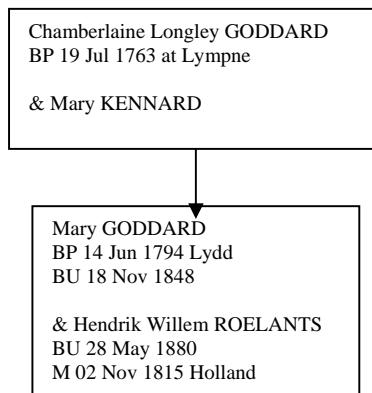
The family then seemed to settle in West Hythe. Son William died there in 1770 but was brought to Old Romney to be buried.

While the family certainly moved about, Romney was always considered home and that is where Edward returned to be buried. Edward died at West Hythe and was brought to Old Romney to be buried on 26 March 1775.

As a widow, Mary had to return to her place of origin which was Lydd. It is there that we find son Chamberlaine settled.

(1.C1) Chamberlain Longley Goddard b. 1763

Chamberlain Longley Goddard was baptised in Lympne on 19 July 1763. He is the son of Edward Goddard and Mary Longley (see 1.E3).



Chamberlain was married to Mary Kennard. They were resident in Lydd in 1794 when daughter Mary was born. The IGI member's contribution gives Chamberlain's marriage as Lydd 1793 but without any date. I doubt this as I have been through the Lydd register with great care.

The IGI shows daughter Mary marrying Hendrik Willem Roelants on 02 Nov 1815 at Schiedam, Zuid Holland, Netherlands.

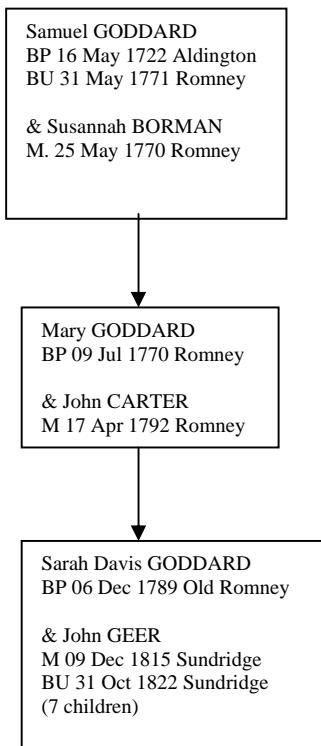
It also shows Hendrik with a death date of 28 May 1880 and Mary with a death date of 18 November 1848.

One child has been definitely identified for Chamberlain and Mary:

Mary GODDARD was baptised in Lydd on 14 June 1794. Her parents are given as Chamberlane & Mary.

(1. S2) Samuel Goddard 1722 - 1771

Samuel is the son of Samuel Goddard and Mary Sargeant (see 1. S1). He was baptised in Aldington on 16 May 1722. He married Susannah Borman on 25 May 1770 in Romney.



Samuel married late in life; he would have been 48 when he married Susannah Borman in Romney 25 May 1770. He had one daughter, Mary, baptised 09 July 1770 at Romney just a few weeks after the wedding. Samuel died a year after he was married and was buried in Romney on 31 May 1771.

In 1789, Samuel's daughter Mary had an illegitimate daughter. Sarah Davis Goddard was baptised in Old Romney on 06 December 1789.

Sarah Davis Goddard¹ married John Geer in Sundridge on 09 December 1815 and went on to have 7 children from this marriage. The couple were noted as from Ide Hill, Sundridge. John was a labourer. The couple had the following children baptised in Sundridge:

- John Gear baptised 26 May 1816. John was an owner of a cottage in the 1830 tax paying 6 shillings.
- Jane Gear baptised 17 August 1819.

¹ Source: Kathleen Hollingsbee

- Sarah Gear baptised 09 April 1820.
- Eliz Gear baptised 06 October 1822.
- Thomas Gear baptised 21 November 1824.
- Robert Gear baptised 24 June 1827.
- William Gear baptised 17 October 1830.

Kathleen Hollingsbee, who is a descendent of this family, adds an interesting note which was told by Jane Geer to daughter Bertha Russell, who told the tale to her grand-daughter Kathleen Hollingsbee.

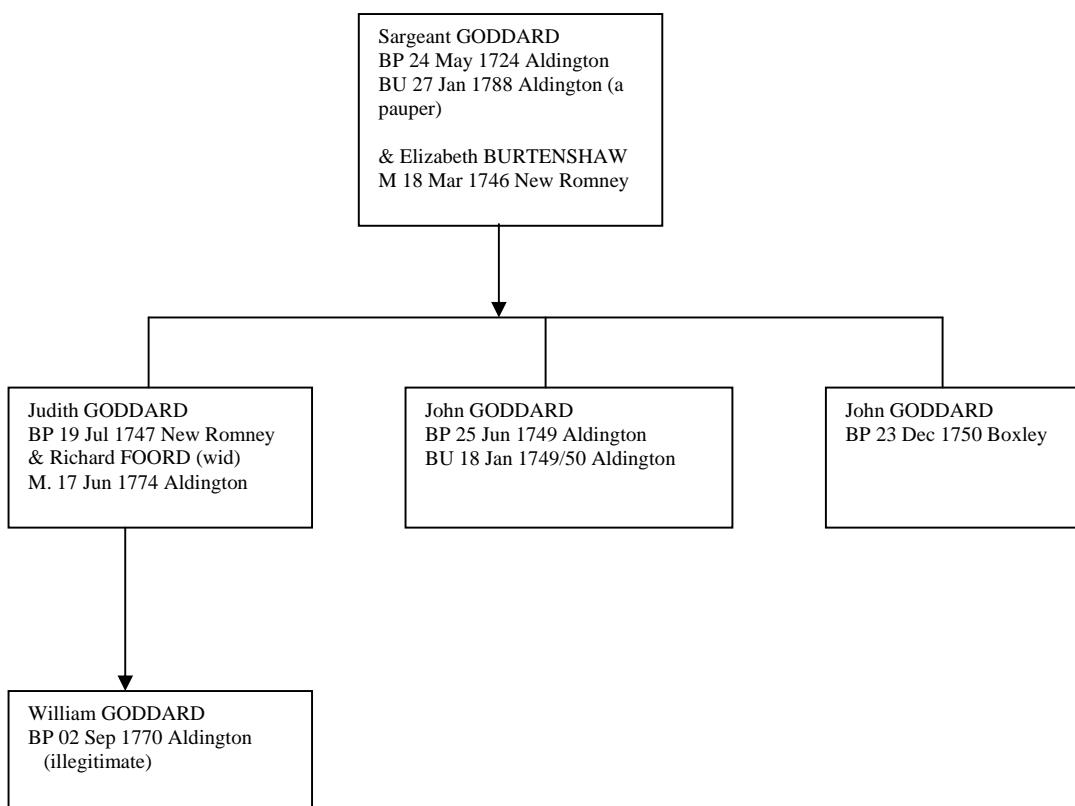
“Sarah the wife (of John Gear) made ointments and potions, and people came from far away for them. One was Buttercup Ointment. Grand-daughter Jane Marchant Geer (who was brought up by them), when young, delivered herbal preparations and medicines to houses in the Sundridge area, leaving on doorsteps where there was smallpox.”

Sarah Davis is noted as ‘widow Gere’ in the 1830 tax records where she is owner and occupier of a cottage paying 3 shillings tax.

(1. S3) Sergeant Goddard 1724 - 1788

Sergeant is the son of Samuel Goddard and Mary Sergeant (see 1. S1). He is obviously named after his mother's family. He was baptised in Aldington 24 May 1724. Sergeant benefited from the will of his grandfather, Thomas Sargeant, in 1830; from his brother in law Richard Sargenat in 1826; and from his father's estate in 1742. None the less, he died a pauper in Aldington in 1788.

Sergeant married Elizabeth Burtenshaw in New Romney 18 Mary 1746.



- We have identified the following children of Sergeant and Elizabeth. Judith Goddard was baptised at New Romney on 29 July 1747. Judith is known to have had an illegitimate son baptised as William in Aldington on 02 September 1770. She went on to marry Richard Foord, a widower, in Aldington on 17 June 1774.
- John Goddard was baptised in Aldington on 25 June 1748 and buried six months later on 18 January 1749/50 in Aldington.
- John Goddard was baptised 23 December 1750 at Boxley. The family obviously made a move from Aldington in the later part of 1750.

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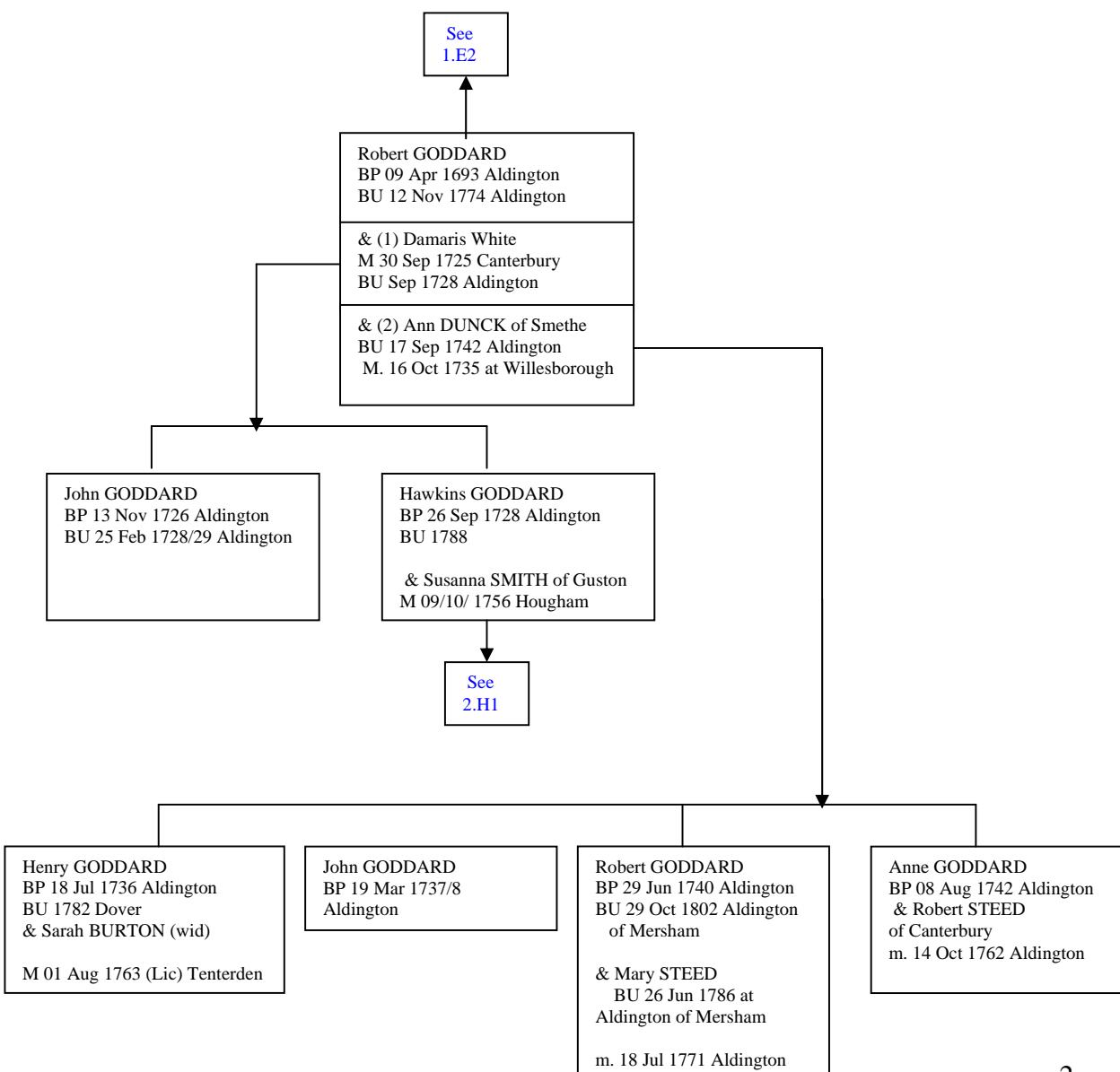
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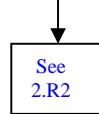
Robert was baptised in Aldington, Kent on 09 April 1693. He is the son of Edward Goddard and his wife Jane which are reported in Chapter 1 (1.E2).

His first wife was Damaris White who he married in Canterbury on the 30 Sept 1725. The marriage license dated 29 Sep 1725 which states that Robert was a bachelor of Aldington and Damaris was a spinster of St Peters in Thanet. They were given permission to marry at St. Paul's or St. George's in Canterbury.

They had two children John Goddard and Hawkins Goddard.

- John was baptised 13 November 1726 at Aldington. He died at just over 2 years of age and was buried in Aldington on 25 Feb 1728/29. However, Squibs has found some information that conflicts with this – John son of Robert and Damaris Goader baptised 9 Feb 1726/27 at Aldington.
- Hawkins Goddard was baptised on 26 September 1728 at Aldington. He married Susanna Smith of Guston on the 09 October 1756 at Hougham.





Damaris, first wife of Robert Goddard, died and was buried in September 1728 at Aldington. Given that her son Hawkins was baptised in September, we can assume that Damaris died as a direct result of child birth complications.

Robert married for a second time on 16 October 1735 at Willesborough to Ann Dunck of Smethe. They married by license.

Robert and Ann had four children.

- Henry Goddard baptised 18 July 1736 at Aldington.
- John Goddard baptised 19 March 1737/8 at Aldington. We do not have a burial date for John can we can assume he died prior to his father in 1774 as he is not mentioned in his father's will.
- Robert Goddard baptised 29 June 1740 at Aldington.
- Anne Goddard baptised 08 August 1742 at Aldington. Ann married Robert Steed of Canterbury at Aldington on the 14 October 1762. By 1773, Robert Steed is noted as a grazier of Aldington.

Robert was buried in Aldington on 12 November 1774. He would have been 81 years old which is extremely good for the time period.

He leaves a will (reference PRC 32/66/32) dated 09 October 1773 and proved on the Consistory Court of Canterbury on the 29 April 1775.

The will states that Robert is from Westerhanger in the parish of Stanford, Kent. He was a yeoman. As there is no mention of his wife in the will, we assume she had died prior to him. There is a burial for Ann Goddard in Aldington on 17 September 1742; there is no further information but this is probably Robert's wife. The burial was shortly after the birth of Robert and Ann's 4th child and it is likely that Ann died from complications related to the birth.

Robert was obviously a wealthy man by the time he died. He leaves several properties and large sums of money to his children

Robert's eldest living son, Hawkins is obviously in debt to his father as the will says 'I do hereby give and forgive unto my son Hawkins Goddard all such sum and sums of money he shall owe and stand indebted to me at the time of my decease.' He also leaves Hawkins a messuage, barn, stable, and an estimated thirty acres of land named Upper Andoer in the parish of Waltham which was, at the time the will was written, rented to Thomas Ford.

To Henry, Roberts, second eldest living son, he leaves £500 cash plus a messuage, buildings and land of 20 acres in Ruckinge and Bilsington occupied by John Bishop.

Henry also inherits 20 acres in the Isle of Oxney in the occupation of the testator and Richard Vennall and a messuage in Stone.

Robert, the youngest son of Robert, is left all the household goods, implements of household, furniture, plate and linen and £1000 in cash. He inherits Robert's manor house called Shingleton and Bonnington, otherwise known as Bonnington Kennetts, with quit-rents and other rights and royalties and 40 acres of land lying in parish of Bonnington which son Robert now occupied. It is interesting to note that the will states that the testator recently purchased this property from Samuel Goddard. This is the same property documented in Hasted's book which indicates that Samuel Goddard of Mersham was the owner at time of publication (1793). In addition, Robert inherits another 12 acres of marshland in Bonnington which he already occupies and another 16 acres of woodland in Mersham also in his own use.

To his daughter Ann, wife of Robert Steed, he leaves £300 cash and notes that this is 'over and above what other provision I have already made for my said daughter'. Ann also inherits a messuage, stable, garden, orchards, and several parcels of arable meadow, pasture and fresh marsh land in Warehorne and Orlestone in the occupation of John Gimber.

The rest of his real and personal estate is to be divided between his 3 sons who are also executors of the will.

Witnesses to the will were Jas Pattenson, Sam Munn, and John Gifford.

(2. H1) Hawkins Goddard 1728 - 1788

Hawkins Goddard was baptized in Aldington on 26 September 1728. He is the son of Robert Goddard and Robert's first wife Damaris White, see (2.R1). Damaris died a few days after the birth of Hawkins.

Hawkins married Susanna Smith of Guston in Hougham on the 09 October 1756. A marriage license was issued on the 7 October 1756 which stated that Hawkins was a yeoman of Hougham, a bachelor of 26 years of age. Susanna is given as Susan. She was a spinster from Guston age 26.

Hawkins and Susanna had four children:

- Susanna Goddard baptized 08 September 1758 at Hougham. Susanna must have died as an infant as there is another Susanna baptised to the same parents in 1764.
- John Goddard baptized 20 September 1759 at Hougham. John inherited his father's estate. He died in New Romney and was buried there on 17 Feb 1809. He was 48 years old. See (2. J1).
- Mary Goddard baptized 26 February 1762 at Hougham. There is a marriage license dated 03 Jun 1780 for John Wells of Lympne, a yeoman and bachelor aged 30 to marry Mary Goddard of Stanford, age 19, who is the daughter of Hawkins Goddard, a yeoman of Stanford.
- Susanna Goddard baptized 06 November 1764 at Hougham. There is a license dated 21 Nov 1785 for John Slaughter of St Mary Sandwich, a bachelor, to marry Susanna Goddard of Stanford, a spinster. We have not yet looked for this marriage but the IGI holds an entry for the marriage in Lyminge in 1785 but without a date – not confident this is to be trusted.

In 1774, Hawkins inherited money and property from his father. Hawkins was obviously in debt to his father as the will says 'I do hereby give and forgive unto my son Hawkins Goddard all such sum and sums of money he shall owe and stand indebted to me at the time of my decease.' The father leaves Hawkins a messuage, barn, stable, and an estimated thirty acres of land named Upper Andoer in the parish of Waltham which was, at the time the will was written, rented to Thomas Ford.

While we have not yet found the burial of Hawkins, his will was proved on the 20 October 1788 so it is fair to assume he died in 1788.

The will states that Hawkins was a yeoman of Westerhanger, Standford (Reference PRC 32/66/441).

He directs that all his goods and chattels, ready money etc. with the exception of his husbandry goods and stock should be sold and the money divided into 3 parts:

- One third to Susanna his daughter, wife of John Slaughter of Sandwich who is a butcher.
- One third to John Goddard his son. John is also bequeathed £100 cash.
- One third to John Wells of Lympne, a yeoman and Hawkins son-in-law. We know that Hawkins daughter, Mary Goddard, married John Wells in 1780. As the will does not refer to Mary, we should probably assume she is dead although no effort

has been made to trace the burial. We also know from Hawkins will that John Wells and Mary Goddard had a daughter named Catherine.

Hawkins clearly intends his wife to remain in charge of his business. He states: 'It is my intent and meaning that the Business shall be carried on by my said wife during her life or until she shall be desirous to leave it to and for her own use and benefit...' During her widowhood, she has the stock and husbandry equipment. Susanna is also left the sum of £100 with the explanation that 'Whereas my Dear wife Susanna will at the time of my decease be entitled to a sufficient maintenance I thereby give and bequeath to her only the sum of one hundred pounds of lawful money of Great Britain to be paid her within twelve months after my decease.'

After the decease of his wife Susanna, the farm is to be sold and the money to be divided as before.

He directs that a trust fund be created for the maintenance and education of Catherine, his granddaughter by John Wells and his daughter Mary.

Executors are named as wife Susanna, son John, daughter Susanna and son-in-law John Wells. Witnesses to will were Richard Hart, John Emerton, and Thomas Starr.
The will was proved on the 20 October 1788.

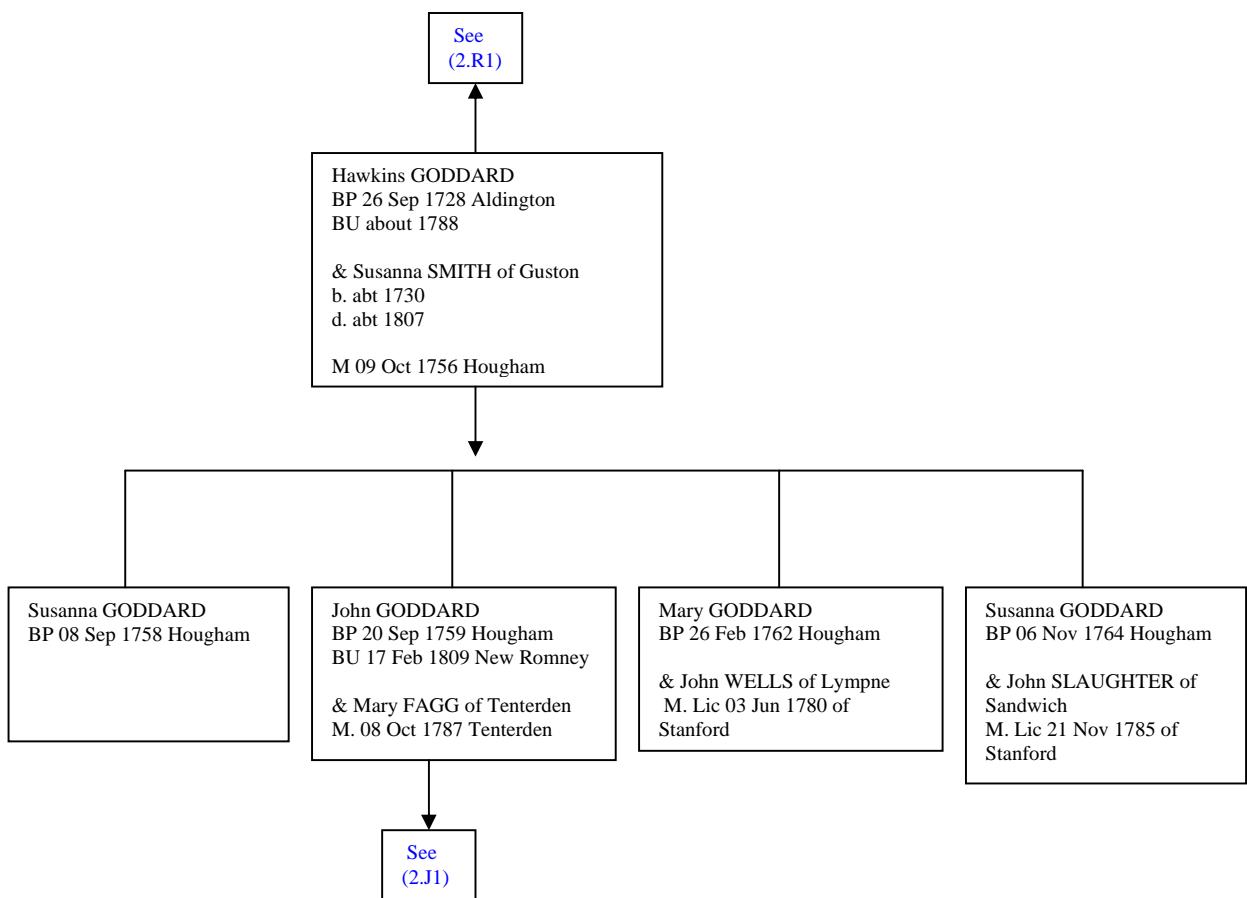
The Kentish Gazette (14-17 February 1786, page 1)* recorded an interesting news item:

'Mr. Hawkins Goddard:
Run Away: on Tuesday morning last the 14 instant from Mr. Hawkins Goddard, Westerhanger:
Charles Crothall alias Staines, 'allworks'. He is 21 years of age, slight made about 5ft 4 or 5 in. high, dark brown hair, curls all over his head; had on when he went away a long dirty Round Frock, Red Under Waistcoat with metal buttons and leather breeches very much too long for him. Whoever will bring him or send word where he may be found, to Mr. H. Goddard aforesaid shall be satisfied for their trouble or whoever harbors or employs him, after this advertisement shall be dealt with according to law.'

Makes you wonder – was he a bound apprentice?

There is a reference in the Stanford register to Hawkins Goddard being a church warden in 1777, 1779, 1781 and 1782.

* Provided by Kathleen Hollingsbee



Hawkins' wife Susanna also left a will.

Reference: PRC 32/68/21 dated 8 Feb 1804, proved 10 Oct 1807.

John Goddard son of Susanna is the executor.

Witnesses: Richard Sharpe, CLK (clerk?), Elizabeth Sharpe and Charles Fagg.

Susanna was said to be 'late of Parish of Willesborough, but now of the Town and Port of New Romney'.

To her daughter Susanna, the wife of John Slaughter of Sandwich, all her wearing apparel.

To her son John Goddard of New Romney, grazier, she leaves all her real estate and other personal estate including money, securities, household goods, plate, linen and china.

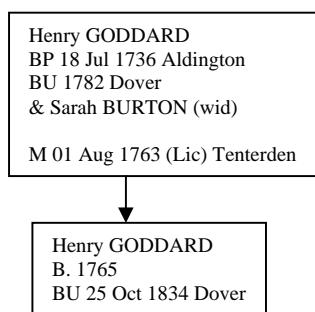
From the above we can identify Susanna as the widow of Hawkins Goddard. As the will was proved in October 1807, it is likely she died that year but we have not yet found her burial.

(2. H2) Henry Goddard 1736 – 1782

Henry was baptized in Aldington on 18 July 1736. He is the son of Robert Goddard and Ann Dunck, see (2.R1)

By 1763, Henry, still a bachelor, is a watchmaker living in Tenterden. He marries by license to the widow Sarah Burton at Tenterden on the 01 August 1763. Stephen Pemble, a miller in Tenterden, puts up a marriage license bond.

From Henry's will, we identify Stephen Pemble as the brother of Sarah.



In 1794, Henry inherits from his father Robert £500 in cash and several pieces of property which was a considerable sum.

We know from Henry's will that he had one son also called Henry but we have yet to look for a birth record. It is the son that is noted in Kathleen's document which records a death 19 Oct 1834, aged 69. Buried 25 Oct 1834, Dover of Snargate Street.

When Henry died in 1782, he was living in Dover. He leaves a will dated 31 March 1781 that confirms he was a watchmaker still. (Reference PRC 32/66/279).

He leaves to his wife Sarah all his household goods, his house in Snargate Street at the pier in Dover for the terms of her natural life. 'Committing no waste but keeping the same in good repair and paying the Harbour Rent and the charges of renewing the lease'. He also leaves Sarah an annuity of £40 per year.

After the decease of his wife, the house and goods go to his brothers Robert and Hawkins Goddard and his sister Ann, wife of Robert Steed, who are to pay the rent for his brother-in-laws (John, Stephen, and Henry Pemble) and sister-in-law (Ann Pemble) plus give them £50 apiece.

Richard law of Dover, salesman; George Haman of Dover, surgeon (defined as friends), are executors and trustees of all his other property and money from which they are to pay his wife's annuity and maintenance and education of his son Henry. The estate goes to son Henry when 21.

Richard and George are guardians of son Henry ‘with full power over his person and estate during his minority’.

Witnesses of will were John Fuller, Henry Thomas junior, and Samuel Farbraux.

Probate: Proven 31 July 1782. ‘Lawfully constituted by the solemn affirmation of Richard Law he being one of the people called Quakers’.

The TNA (National Archives) has a record of Henry Goddard of Tenterden, master watchmaker, who in 1765 took apprentice Jess Drayny, fee £60. (Reference 24/164 PRO Inland Revenue records). We do not have this record.

In the Dover museum, there is a ‘verge’ watch movement produced by Henry Goddard. It is dated c. 1780.

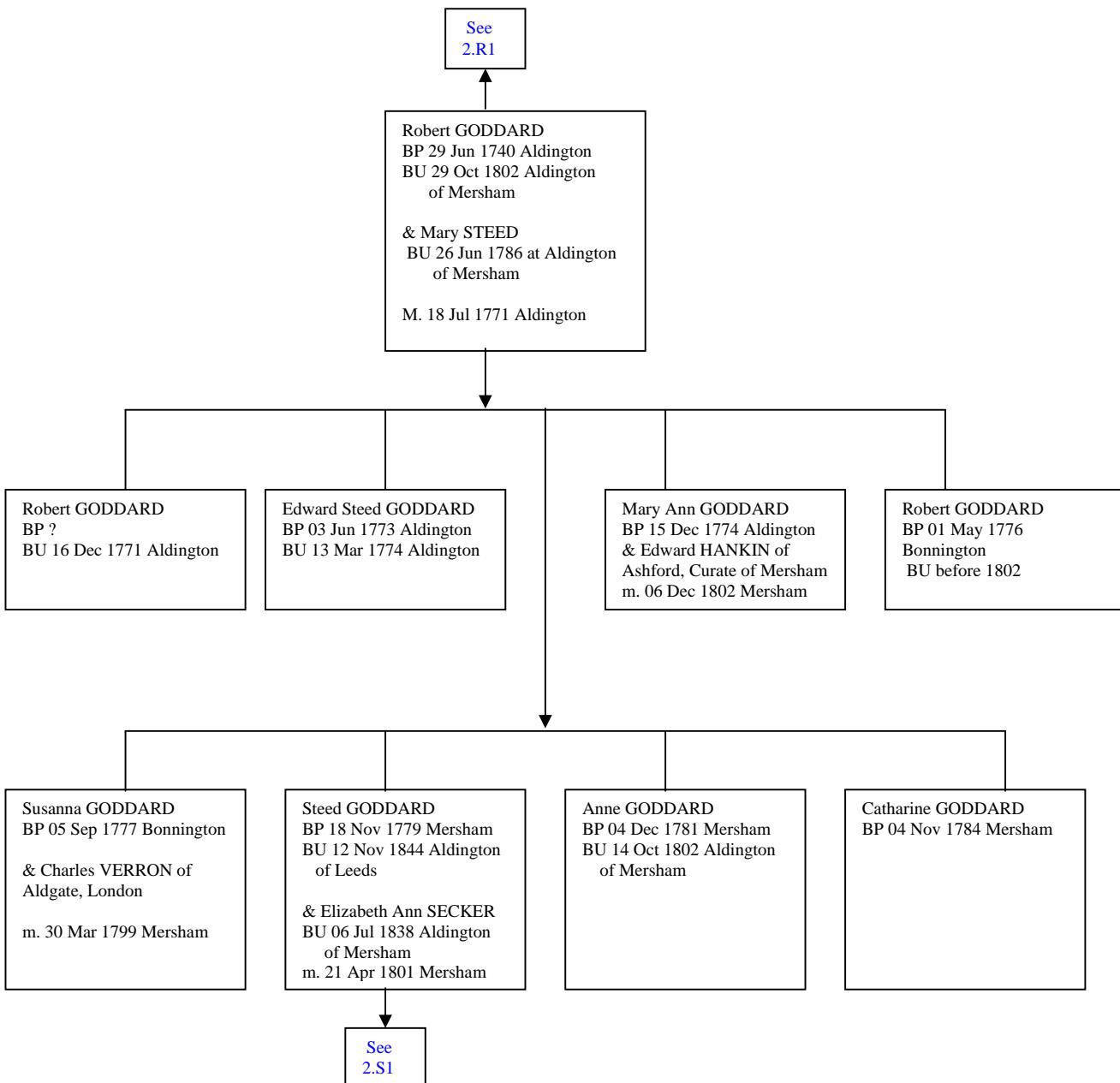
The Dover Telegraph (25 October 1834, page 8) carried an announcement of Henry Goddard’s death. Henry Goddard aged 69 died 19 October at Dover. This is the son of Henry (1736-1782) documented above.

The Kentish Gazetteer (28 October 1834, page 3) also carried the announcement a few days later. Mr. Henry Goddard, aged 69, died October 19 at Dover.

His actual burial is recorded in the St Mary’s church register in Dover on 25 October 1834. Henry Goddard of Snargate Street, Dover buried 25 October 1834, aged 69. The address is the property left by Henry senior to his wife initially and then Henry junior.

(2. R2) Robert Goddard 1740 - 1802

Robert Goddard is the son of Robert Goddard and Ann Dunck. He was baptized in Aldington 29 June 1740. He married Mary Steed in Aldington on the 18 Jul 1771 by license. The marriage license, dated the 17 July, states that Robert is a bachelor of Aldington and Mary is a spinster of Aldington.



Robert and Mary had 8 children; 3 did not survive childhood.

- Robert Goddard buried 16 Dec 1771 at Aldington. This was some 5 months after Robert and Mary were married and it is likely that the child was still born as there is no baptism record.
- Edward Steed Goddard baptised 03 June 1773 in Aldington was buried some 9 months later in Aldington on 13 March 1774.
- Mary Ann Goddard baptised 15 December 1774 at Aldington. She went on to marry Edward Hankin of Ashford who was the curate at Mersham. They married in Mersham on 6 December 1802. This was just 2 months after her father's death, did he disapprove of the marriage?
- Robert Goddard baptized at Bonnington 01 May 1776. We know Robert was no longer alive in 1802 when his father died and he probably died as a baby. There is a burial in 1776, for Robert Goddard, but the date does not tie and should be checked.
- Susannah Goddard baptized 05 Sept 1777 in Bonnington. She went on to marry Charles Verron of Aldgate, London who was a Lieutenant in the Royal Artillery. They married on the 30 March 1799 at Mersham. We know that Robert was not very trusting of his son-in-law who owed him money and he placed safeguards on Susannah's inheritance. Kathleen refers to a newspaper announcement of the marriage.
- Steed Goddard was baptized in Mersham on the 18 November 1779. More about him later.
- Anne Goddard was baptized 04 December 1781 in Mersham. She is buried in Aldington, and said to be from Mersham, on 14 October 1802, just days before her father.
- Catharine Goddard was baptized in Mersham on 4 November 1784. We do not have any record of what happened to Catharine other than she was still alive when her father wrote his will.

Robert inherited a sizable estate from his father Robert in 1774. He was left all the household goods, implements of household, furniture, plate and linen and £1000 in cash. He inherited his father's manor house called Shingleton and Bonnington, otherwise known as Bonnington Kennetts, with quit-rents and other rights and royalties and 40 acres of land lying in parish of Bonnington. Robert is said to occupy this property at the time of his father's death. His father's will states that he had recently from Samuel Goddard. This is the same property documented in Hasted's book which indicates that Samuel Goddard of Mersham was the owner at time of publication (1793) – see transcript of Hasted's entry. In addition, Robert inherits another 12 acres of marshland in Bonnington which he already occupies and another 16 acres of woodland in Mersham also in his own use.

Having examined the Rate Book for Bonnington, I can confirm that Samuel Goddard owned the property up until 1772 when Robert became the owner. The first Rate Assessment found was 1767 showing Samuel as owner. Note the property is not identified by name just the owner and tenant which is Samuel. Robert Goddard is shown as an 'out dweller' meaning he owned property in Bonnington but did not live there. I

assume this is the elder Robert who died in 1774. It is then shown as owned by a trust fund for one assessment and in 1775 we find Robert the owner.

From 1776, Robert leases this property out and he takes on a very large estate as tenant of the Earl of Romney. He appears to live there until 1780 when he is still shown as the tenant but as an out dweller. This means he ran the estate but lived elsewhere, probably Mersham. Despite living in Mersham, he still takes on the role of Overseer of the Poor for Bonnington occasionally and for many years he was Churchwarden (1789, 1790, 1791, 1792, 1793, 1794, 1795, 1798, and 1800). After Robert's death in 1801, the estate is shown to be in the hands of Mr. Goddard, presumably his son Steed. By 1806, the property owned by Robert in Bonnington has been sold although the Earl's estate is still in Steed's hands until 1808 and thereafter, there are no Goddard's shown paying rates in Bonnington.

Do note that this confirms that Hasted's account is inaccurate. Samuel was the original owner and Robert bought from him; not the other way around.

At the time of his father's death when he inherited the property, he was living in Bonnington, two of his children were baptised / born there, but he appears then to make a move to Mersham in 1779 where the rest of his children were born. In April 1779 he was a churchwarden in Bonnington but by November 1779 he is said to be of Mersham when Steed was baptised.

We have a note from Kathleen which reads:

‘Robert Goddard, Mersham Manor:

7 years 1784 £100

7 years 1791 £100

7 years 1798 £100

(Account No. 45 “Misc A/cs. Canterbury Cathedral Archives”)

At a guess, I would say that this is rent paid to Canterbury for Mersham Manor (Court Lodge which is referred to in his will).

Robert's wife, Mary, was buried 26 June 1786 in Aldington but said to be from Mersham. She left Robert with 5 young children to bring up. Robert does not appear to have remarried and must have stayed a widower for the next 16 years.

Robert was buried 29 October 1801 at Aldington but said to be from Mersham. He left a detailed will (reference PRC 17/103/518) which throws some light on his character. The will was originally written in 1797 when Steed was just 18. A codicil was added in 1802 after his daughter Susannah had married.

The will states that Robert was a farmer and grazier of Mersham. His will is dated 08 April 1797.

He sets up a trust to be run by John Aiker of Mersham, gentleman; John Norwood of Ashford, surgeon and James Head of Ashford, farmer who are also executors.

They are to sell his property called Bridge field consisting of 12 acres of fresh marsh in Bonnington. There is a house and other buildings. This is one of the properties he inherited from his father Robert.

The trust, during the life of his daughter Anne, will be used to support, clothe and provide pocket money for her 'as trustees see fit'. Anne would have been 5 years old at the time the will was written. She died a few days before her father.

His leasehold messuage & farm called the Court Lodge at Mersham, is under a lease from the Dean & Chapter of Canterbury. This is to be held in trust until his son Steed Goddard attains 21 years (Steed was 18 when the will was written originally).

When 21, the trustees are to sell to Steed at the price of £816 plus 4/5 part of Fine & Fees paid for renewal after Robert's death.

The money is then to be divided between four daughters – Mary Anne, Susannah, Anne and Catherine in equal shares & proportions.

If Steed does not accept above offer within 2 months of his attaining 21 years, the lease is to be disposed of & treated as residue.

Note there is no mention of the Manor House in Bonnington and we have to assume that Robert has sold it.

When Steed is 21, he is to take household goods, stock, and effects as he shall reasonably require at a fair appraisement to be made by 2 proper persons, one chosen by Steed and other by trustees.

Steed to pay 4/5 of appraisal (or give security for such) with interest to pay at rate of £4 per centum per annum (4%).

The money then is to be applied to maintain daughters under age. Anything Steed does not want trustees to dispose of & divide between the 5 children.

'And in respect to my said son Steed who I flatter myself with care and industry, it is my earnest recommendation to him not to keep more than one horse which will be liable to duty as a riding horse nor keep any dog of the description or denomination which is now liable to duty of 5 shillings. And in case he shall keep an such dog or more than one such horse before he attains 25 years without consent in writing of the trustees, then the trustees are to stop and retain out of any money 20 shillings per week for every such dog and for every such horse more than one which he shall so keep as long as he keeps them.' Any such withheld money is to go to the daughters.

Witnesses: George Jemmett, James Clinch and Edward Cullen.

Codicil: Since making the will, his 2nd daughter, Susannah has intermarried and is now the wife of Charles Verron Esquire, a Lieutenant in the Royal Artillery.

The trustees are directed to deduct from Susanna's inheritance the money that Charles Verron is indebted to Robert.

He directs that the balance of Susannah's share be invested and that the interest is paid to her for her sole and separate use and benefit and not to be subject or liable to the debts, control or management of her husband.

On the death of Susanna, the capital to go to Susannah's children when they are 21, or, if daughters, when they marry if under 21.

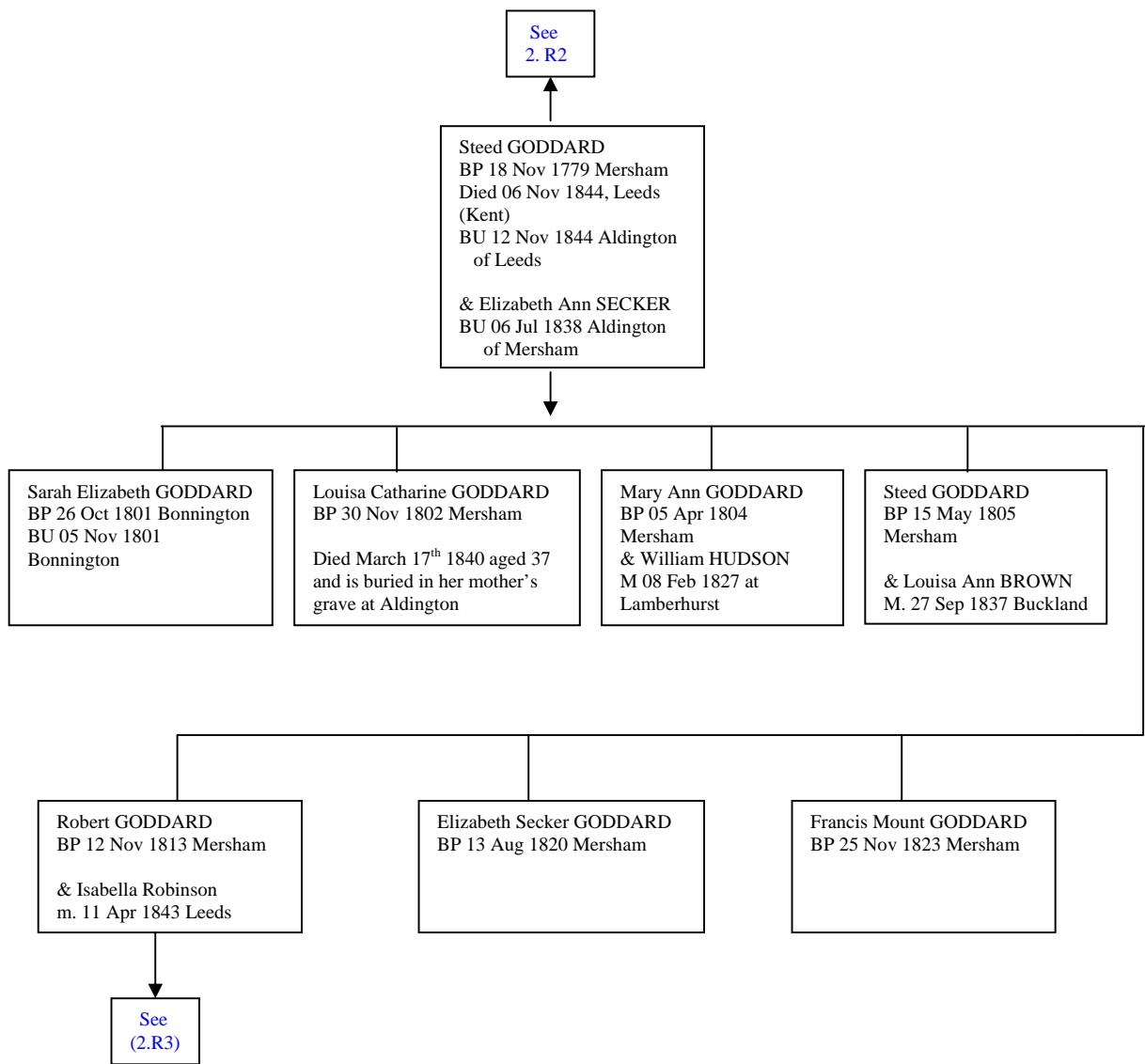
Dated 2 March 1802

Witnesses: George Jemmett, L. Andrews, Edward Cullen, and James Crunch.

Will was proved 27 of March 1803, John Norwood and James Head are surviving trustees.

(2. S1) Steed Goddard 1779 - 1844

Steed Goddard was baptised at Mersham on the 18 November 1779. He is the son of Robert Goddard and Mary Steed, see (2.R2). On the 21 April 1801, Steed Goddard married Elizabeth Ann Secker in Mersham. They have 7 children with considerable gaps between the 4th child and the 5th, and between the 5th and the 6th child. This may indicate there were more children than we have identified to date.



The children were:

- Sarah Elizabeth Goddard was baptized at Bonnington on the 26 October 1801 and was buried 9 days later; 05 November 1801 at Bonnington.
- Louisa Catharine Goddard was baptized 30 November 1802 at Mersham. We have no further information on Louisa.
- Mary Ann Goddard was baptized on the 05 April 1804 at Mersham. She went on to marry William Hudson on the 08 February 1827 at Lamberhurst.
- Steed Goddard was baptized at Mersham on the 15 May 1805. He married Louisa Ann Brown in Buckland on the 27 Sept 1837.
- Robert Goddard was baptized at Mersham on the 12 November 1813. He marries Isabella Robinson in Leeds (Kent) on the 11 April 1843. See (1. R3).
- Elizabeth Secker Goddard was baptized at Mersham on the 13 August 1820. We have nothing further on Elizabeth.
- Francis Mount Goddard was baptized at Mersham on 25 November 1823. Again, we have no further information on Francis.

Steed inherited a considerable estate from his father Robert in 1801. He continued to live in Bonnington until 1807 or 1808.

Steed actually died in Leeds (Kent) on the 06 November 1844 but was brought 'home' to Aldington to be buried. His death certificate indicates he died of 'old age'. He was, in fact, 65 years old. He was said to be a farmer. His wife Elizabeth had been buried 06 July 1838 in Aldington and said to be from Mersham. This implies that his time in Leeds was limited to a few years and it is highly likely he had moved there to be near his son Robert. However, his will indicates he also lived in Maidstone for a period of time.

Steed left a will dated 23 December 1843 (reference PROB 11/2010). The will states he is of Maidstone although a codicil dated 25 September 1844 states he was late of Maidstone and now residing at Leeds. This dates his time at Leeds fairly accurately but I am not sure how long he was at Maidstone.

He bequeaths to his 2 unmarried daughters, Elizabeth Secker Goddard and Francis Mount Goddard, all his household goods including the furniture, place, linen, china, glass, etc. He leaves to his son Steed Goddard and his daughter Mary Ann Hudson £20 a piece. He leaves to his son Robert Goddard and his daughters Elizabeth and Francis all of his real estate property and the remainder of his estate and they are also to be executors. Unfortunately, he does not say where or what the property is.

In the codicil, he revokes the £20 left to Steed and Mary Ann on the basis he has already given it to them.

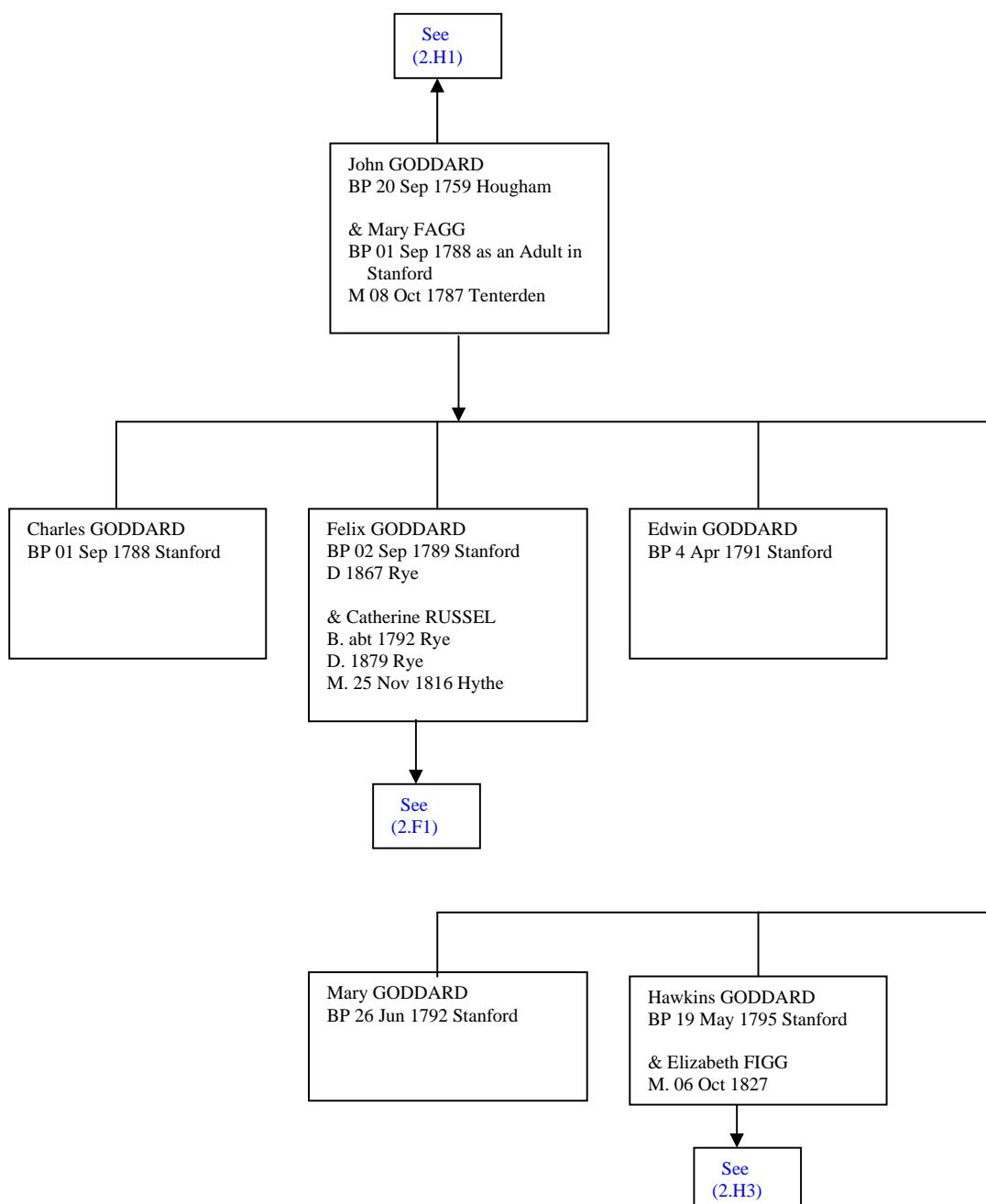
The will was proved 15 January 1845.

While the will does not indicate what property was held by Steed, the impression left is that the estate is considerably less than left to him by his father.

. (2. J1) John Goddard 1759 – 1809

John Goddard was baptized 20 September 1759 at Hougham. He is the son of Hawkins Goddard and Susanna Smith, see (2. H1).

John married Mary Fagg of Tenterden. There is a marriage license date 6 October 1787 for John Goddard of Stanford, a yeoman and bachelor aged 24, to marry Mary Fagg of Tenterden, a spinster age 24. The marriage took place on 08 October 1787 in Tenterden. There is a baptism for Mary Goddard, an adult on the 1 September 1788 and the same day John and Mary's first son is baptized. This is Mary, wife of John Goddard, formerly Mary Fagg



We know of 5 children from the marriage of John and Mary.

- Charles Goddard was baptized at Stanford 1 September 1788, the same day his mother was baptized. While we have not yet identified a burial for Charles, he almost certainly died young. He is not mentioned in his father's will.
- Felix Goddard was baptized in Stanford 2 September 1789. We know that Felix was living in Rye, Sussex in 1816 when a license was issued for him to marry Catharine Russell a spinster of Hythe, Kent. At that time, Felix described himself as a gentleman and a bachelor. The license, dated 24 November 1816 was for a marriage in Hythe. They were married in Hythe of 25 November 1816.
- Edwin GODDARD was baptized at Stanford 4 April 1791. He is not mentioned in his father's will and it is fair to assume he did not survive.
- Mary GODDARD was baptized at Stanford 26 June 1792. There is also no mention of Mary in her father's will.
- Hawkins Goddard was baptized in Stanford on 19 May 1795. Hawkins married Elizabeth Figg in St. Leonard's, Hythe on 06 Oct 1827. He was records as a bachelor and they were both said to be of Hythe.

In 1788, John inherited from his father Hawkins. Broadly it was one third of his father's estate plus one hundred pounds. Some of the inheritance was delayed until the death of John's mother and as we have not yet identified her death date, we do not know when he inherited his full share.

In the 1802 Poll Book, John is shown as owning land in New Romney.

In 1805 (26 July), John Goddard of Romney, grazier, put up a bond for the marriage license of John Champion of Denton (labourer, bachelor) & Mary Glover of New Romney (spinster of New Romney).

We have John's will which indicates he died late in 1808 or early 1809. It states he is from New Romney and a grazier. A burial has not been found for him as yet. The will indicates he has a couple of properties in New Romney and farming and grazing business. While his wife, who is unnamed in the will, is to have use of some of the household goods and profits from his business during her widowhood, there appears to be some distrust as he has his executors ensure she does not sell or dispose of his goods. All his estate goes to the 2 sons, equally divided after the death of their mother or when she remarries. The interesting clause of the will is below.

He gives to his wife during her widow-hood, the 'use of all my silver and of three beds which she may best approve with the bedsteads, hangings and blankets and such of my tables drawers chairs carpets three sets of pokers and tongue and household stuff as my executors may think proper with all my china plate and my two cedar chests which I desire and want to be made. And I direct that my wife shall on receiving them sign one part of such inventory with a receipt for the same and give an undertaking not to dispose of the same and I direct my executors and trustees to inspect them when and as often as they shall see proper and in case any part thereof shall be sold, made off with, or

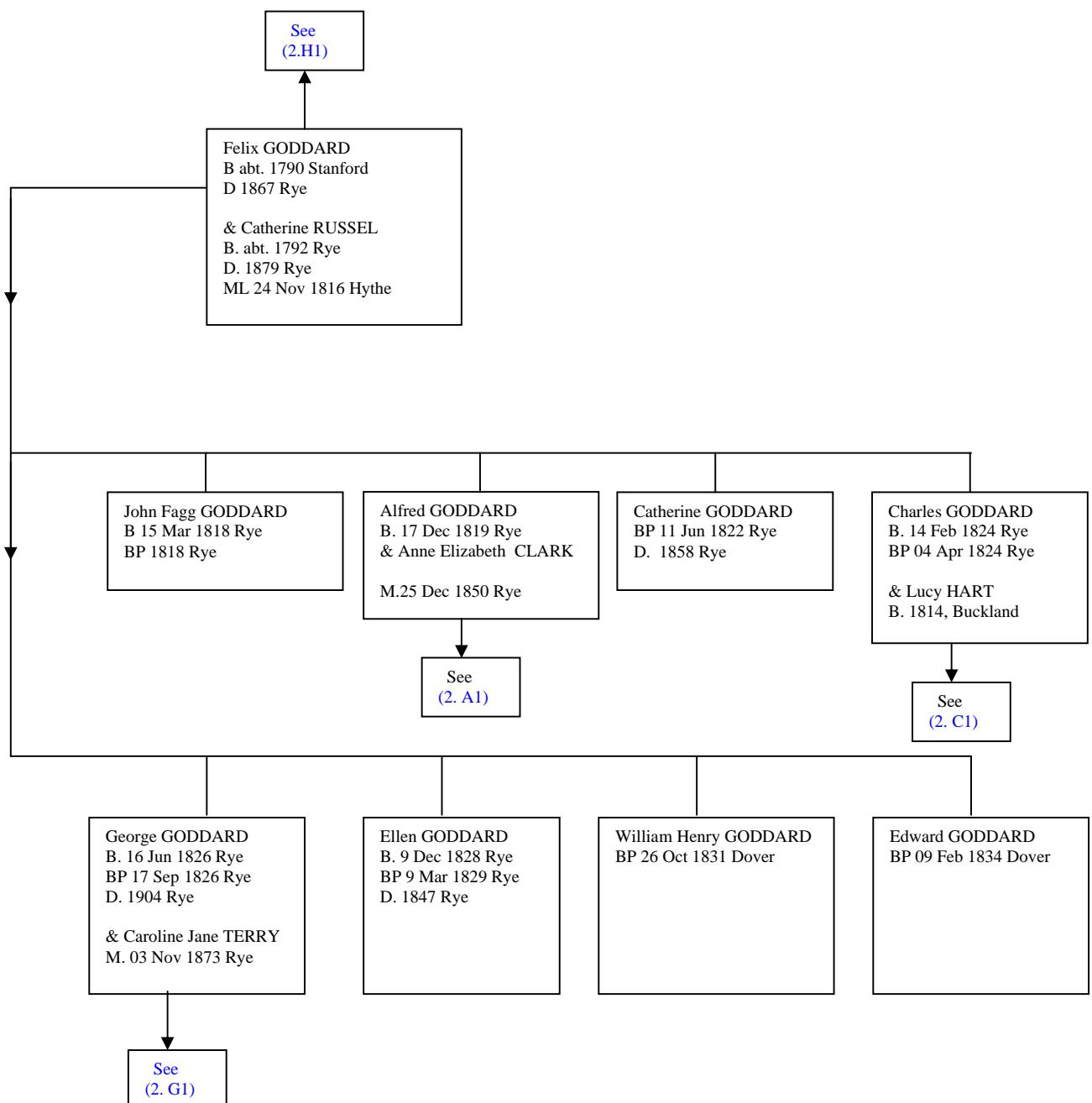
improperly disposed of by my said wife, then I direct my executors and trustees and the survivor of them his executors and administrators to seize upon the residue of the same and to sell and dispose of the same as part of my personal estate except the two cedar chests which I give to my two sons Felix Goddard and Hawkins Goddard but my son Felix is to have his choice. And I direct my executors to sell all the rest and residue of my personal estate when they see proper. I request of my said trustees and the survivor of them to carry on my farming and grazing business or any part thereof for the benefit of my estate if they should think fit so to do. '

Two references to John from newspapers have been provided by Kathleen.

1. John Goddard, Westerhanger, notice re stray heifer, mentions John Castle, looker (i.e. Shepherd) (Kentish Gazette Oct 19-22 1790 p1 col2)
2. Mr John Goddard, Westerhanger. Advert for keep for 150 lambs (Kentish Gazette Fri Aug 26 1791)

(2. F1) Felix Goddard 1790 - 1867

Felix Goddard was baptized in Stanford. He is the son of John Goddard and Mary Fagg, see (2. J1). We know that Felix was living in Rye, Sussex in 1816 when a license was issued for him to marry Catharine Russel a spinster of Hythe, Kent. Census details indicate Catharine was actually born in Rye about 1792. At the time of the marriage, Felix described himself as a gentleman and a bachelor. The license, dated 24 November 1816 was for a marriage in Hythe. Again, we have not yet looked for the marriage record.



There are 8 children from this marriage found:

- John Fagg Goddard baptized at the Wesleyan chapel in Rye 1818, born 15 Mar 1818. It is unlikely that John survived as he is not found again. No burial has been found.
- Alfred Goddard born 17 December 1819 and baptized 7 May 1820 at the Wesleyan in Rye; see [\(2. A1\)](#).
- Catherine Goddard was born in Rye 1822. She was baptized at the Wesleyan on 11 June 1822. Catherine died in Rye age 35, unmarried in 1858.
- Charles Goddard born 14 Feb 1824 and baptized at the Wesleyan in Rye on 4 April 1824.
- George Goddard was born in Rye 16 June 1826 and baptized at the Wesleyan in Rye. George died in Rye aged 77 in 1904. He married 03 Nov 1873 in Rye to Caroline Jane Terry. Caroline is born in Lydd about 1843. The couple was found on the 1881 census living at Hyland Yard, Rye. George was a painter and there are 3 children:
 - Catherine Goddard born Rye about 1876.
 - Wallace Goddard born Rye about 1878.
 - Alice Goddard born Rye about 1879.
- Ellen Goddard was born 9 December 1828 and baptized 9 March 1829 at the Rye Wesleyan. She was not found in the 1851 census and it appears she died aged 19 in 1847.
- William Henry Goddard baptized at Dover 26 October 1831.
- Edward Goddard baptized at Dover 9 February 1834.

Felix died in Rye 1867. Catherine, his widow, survived him by 12 years and died in Rye aged 87 in 1879.

The 1935 Poll Book for Dover area shows Felix Goddard resident at York Street, St. Mary's, Dover; 1841 has Felix in the same parish but at Union Row. By the time of the 1847 Poll, he is no longer in Dover.

In 1841, the family was in Dover but by the time of the 1851 census they were back in Rye.

1841 Census— (Dover)

Felix Goddard 50 Clerk born Kent
Catherine Goddard 45 not born Kent
Alfred Goddard 20 Clerk not born Kent
Catherine Goddard 18 not born Kent
George Goddard 15 not born Kent
Ellen Goddard 13 not born Kent
William Goddard 7 born Kent
Edward Goddard 5 born Kent

E. Sussex 1851 Census Rye

Felix Goddard Head Marr 62 Clerk b. Kent Stanford.

Catherine Goddard wife Marr 60 born Rye Sussex
Catherine Goddard daughter 28 born Rye
George Goddard son 24 Painter's journeyman born Rye
William Goddard son 20 Painter's journeyman born Dover
Edward Goddard son 18 Painter's journeyman born Dover

1861 Census Felix and family are living at 29 High Street, Rye, Sussex.
Goddard Felen (*Felix*) married aged 71 Clerk Merchant Born Stanford. Kent
Goddard Catherine Married aged 69 Born Rye Sussex
Goddard William Henry Single aged 30 Painter employing 3 men 2 boys Born Dover
Kent.

1871 Census Felix is now dead and the widow Catherine is living at 7 Highland Yard, Rye.
Catherine Goddard, Head, Widow, aged 79, born Sussex Rye.
George Goddard, son, unmarried, aged 44, painter, born Sussex Rye.

(2. H3) Hawkins Goddard 1795

Hawkins Goddard was baptized in Stanford on 19 May 1795, the son of John Goddard and Mary Fagg. See 2. J1. Hawkins married Elizabeth Figg in St. Leonard's, Hythe on 06 Oct 1827. He was recorded as a bachelor and they were both said to be of Hythe.

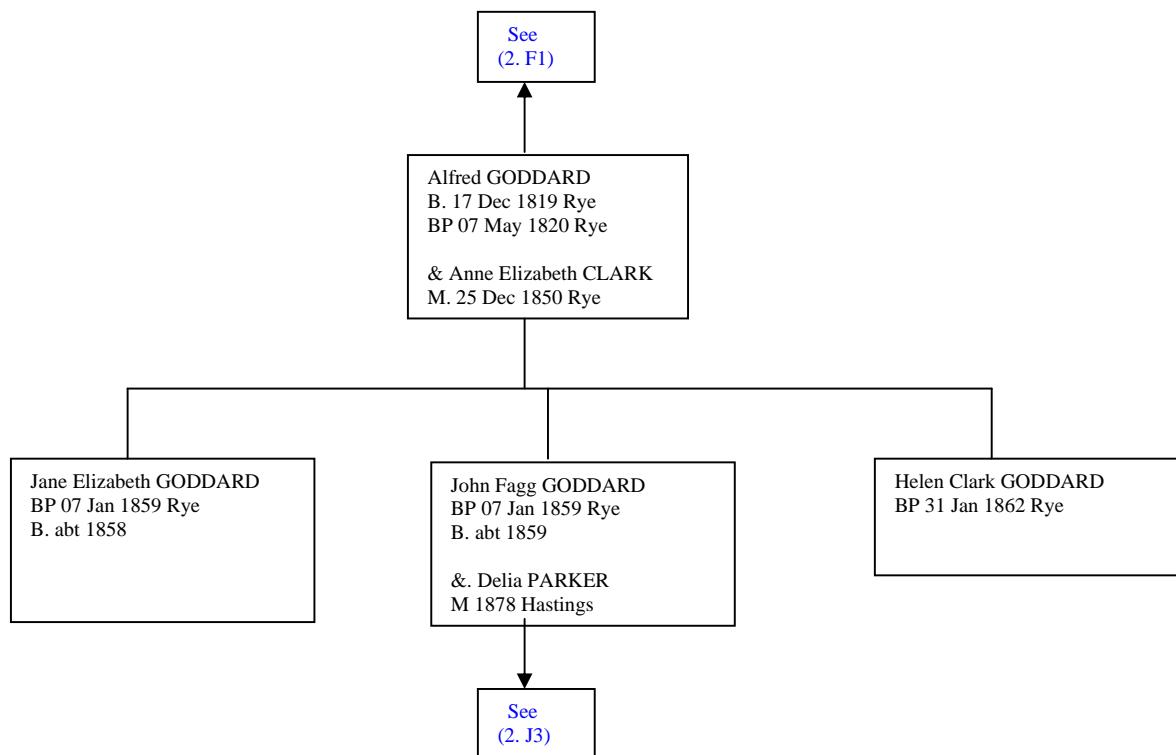
On 29 December 1839, Elizabeth, widow of Hawkins Goddard, remarried to John Hobbs in Saltwood parish. John was a labourer of full age and a widower said to be of Saltwood. Elizabeth was noted as a widow and the daughter of Joseph Figg.

We have not yet found the burial of Hawkins.

(2. A1) Alfred Goddard b 1819

Alfred Goddard is the son of Felix Goddard and Catherine Russell; see (2.F1). He was born 17 December 1819 in Rye and baptized 07 May 1820 at the Wesleyan Chapel in Rye Sussex.

Alfred married Anne Elizabeth Clark on 25 December 1850.



The following children of Alfred Goddard and Anne Clark have been identified:

- John Fagg Goddard baptized 07 Jan 1859 in Rye. John married Delia Parker in Hastings; see (2. J3).
- Jane Elizabeth Goddard baptized 07 Jan 1859 in Rye. While baptized the same day as her brother John, Jane is a year younger than John according to the census.
- Helen Clark Goddard baptized 31 Jan 1862 in Rye. The 1871 census gives her birth place as Hastings and the GRO index shows a birth in the 3rd quarter 1861.

Kathleen has provided from Dover Apprentice Enrolments.

- Alfred Goddard 15 years of age, son of Felix Goddard of Dover, merchant's clerk, who gives his consent, apprenticed to George Thomas Thompson of Dover, Attorney and Solicitor. By indenture dated 13 April 1835. Enrolled 14 April 1835. The apprenticeship may not have worked out because it appears from the 1851 Census extract (also provided by Kathleen) that Alfred actually was a Painter and Gilder in 1851.

Alfred died sometime between 1871 and 1881 as his wife Annie is found living in Hastings as a widow in 1881.

E. Sussex 1851 Census Rye

Alfred Goddard 31 Painter and Gilder employing 6, born Rye
Anne Elizabeth Goddard wife 30 Schoolmistress b. Rye, Sussex.

E. Sussex 1871 Census Rye

Alfred Goddard, head, age 50, Picture Cleaner & Painter, born Rye.
Anne E. Goddard, wife, age 50, School Mistress, born Rye.
John F. Goddard, son, age 14, scholar, born Rye.
Jane E. Goddard, daughter, age 13, scholar, born Rye.
Helen C. Goddard, daughter, age 9, scholar, born Hastings.

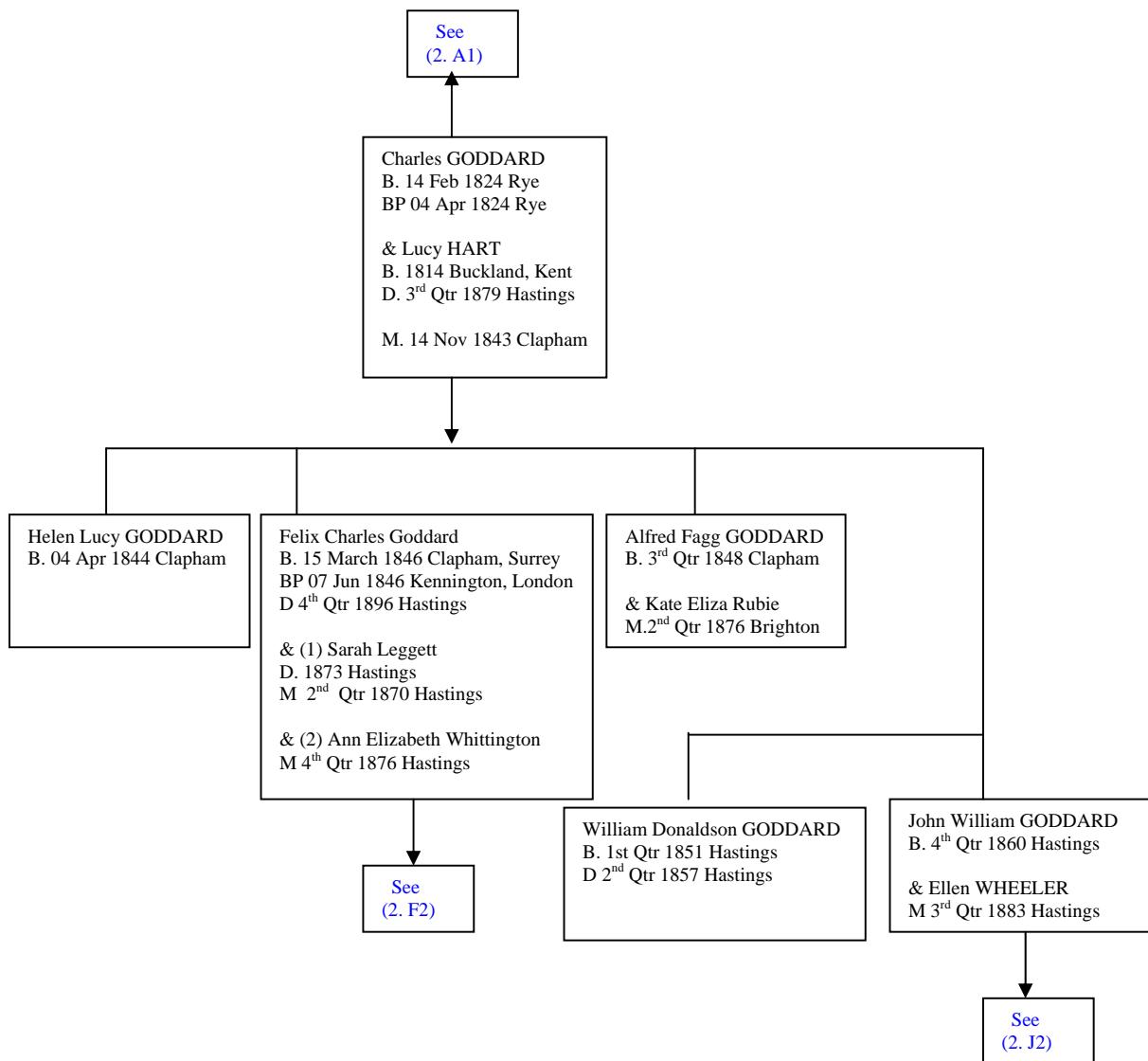
E. Sussex 1881 Census Rye, 27 Cornwallis Street, Hastings, Sussex.

Annie Goddard, head, widow, age 61, School Mistress (late), born Rye Sussex.
Fanny Goddard, daughter, unmarried, age 21, born Rye Sussex.
Percy Goddard, grandson, age 3, born Rye Sussex.

Note: this is almost certainly the widow and family of Alfred Goddard but we have not found any recorded christening or birth for Fanny or Percy.

(2. C1) Charles Goddard b 1824

Charles Goddard is the son of Felix Goddard and Catherine Russell; [see \(2. F1\)](#). He was born in Rye 14 February 1824 and baptized at the Rye Wesleyan Chapel on 4 April 1824. Charles married called Lucy Hart.



On 14th November 1843, at the Holy Trinity Church in Clapham, Charles Goddard married a young widow called Mrs Lucy Ruffin. Born in the village of Buckland, near Dover, in Kent, in 1814, Lucy was the daughter of Sarah and John Hart. On 10th May 1835, at the age of twenty-one, Lucy Hart had married William Henry Ruffin, a painter and glazier from Dover. William Ruffin apparently died within a few years of his

marriage to Lucy Hart. At the time of her marriage to Charles Goddard, Lucy was twenty-nine years of age, a decade older than her 19 year old husband.

There were 5 children from the marriage of Charles and Lucy.

- Helen Lucy Goddard was born in South London on 04 April 1844. It is assumed Helen died young as she is not found again but a death registration not identified.
- Felix Charles Goddard was born about 1846 in Clapham Surrey. He later married Sarah Leggett 2nd quarter 1870 in Hastings (found on GRO index).
- Alfred Fagg Goddard's birth was registered in the district of Lambeth during the 3rd quarter of 1848.
- William Donaldson Goddard's birth was registered in the 1st quarter 1851 in Hastings; his death is registered in the 2nd quarter 1847 Hastings.
- John William Goddard's birth was registered in Hastings in the 4th quarter 1860.

During his stay in South London, Charles Goddard fathered three children - Helen Goddard, who was born in South London on 4th April 1844, Felix Charles Goddard, who was born in Lambeth on 14th March 1846 and Alfred Fagg Goddard, whose birth was registered in the district of Lambeth during the 3rd Quarter of 1848.

By the time the 1851 census was taken, Charles Goddard and his family were living in the High Street of Hastings. Charles Goddard's brothers, led by Alfred Goddard (born 1819) had formed a firm of ornamental painters, carvers & gilders in Rye and Hastings.

1851 Census High Street Hastings:

Charles Goddard, head, 27, printer gilder, born Rye, Sussex

Lucy Goddard, wife, 36, born Dover

Felix C. Goddard, son, 5, born Clapham

Alfred Goddard, son, 2, born Clapham

William D Goddard, son, 3 months, born Hastings

Henry Ruffin, son-in-law, 15, painter, born Dover

Ellen D French, visitor, 17, shoebinder, born Eastbourne

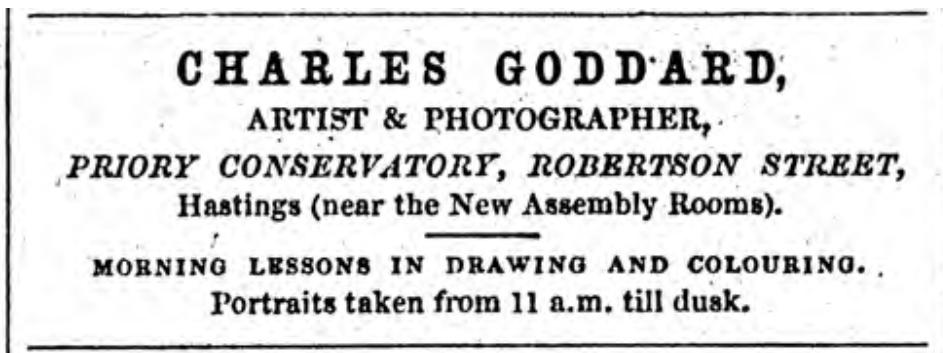
Charles Goddard was still pursuing an artistic career and in 1853 he exhibited two watercolours of domestic subjects at the Suffolk Street Gallery in London. By the late 1850s, Charles Goddard was earning a living as an artist and teacher of drawing in Hastings. Around 1858, Charles Goddard supplemented his income as an artist by taking photographic portraits in Hastings and Rye. In 1858, Charles Goddard was making weekly visits to Rye with his camera, taking photographic portraits in a temporary studio located "*Opposite the London & County Bank*" in High Street, Rye. A directory of Hastings published in 1859 records Charles Goddard as a "photographic artist" at 2 Russell Street, Hastings. Charles shared the business premises at 2 Russell Street with his young brother George Goddard (born 1826), who was working as a carver & gilder. By July 1859, Charles Goddard was working as an "Artist & Photographer" at Priory Conservatory, Robertson Street, Hastings.

By the time the 1861 census was taken, Charles Goddard was residing at Portland College, Portland Place, Hastings, with his wife Lucy and his three sons, (Felix) Charles, aged 15, Alfred, aged 12, and John William, a six months old baby. [The birth of John

William Goddard was registered in the district of Hastings during the 4th Quarter of 1860]. On the census return, Charles Goddard is described as an "Artist - Teacher of Drawing", aged 37.



[ABOVE] A newspaper advertisement announcing his weekly visits to Rye made by the photographer Charles Goddard. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, Charles Goddard set up his camera in a building opposite the London & County Bank in Rye's High Street. (*Hastings & St Leonards Times & Rye Chronicle*, Saturday, 18th September, 1858)



An advertisement for Charles Goddard, "Artist & Photographer" of Priory Conservatory, Robertson Street, Hastings in *The Hastings & St Leonards News*, dated 14th October 1859.

In a street directory of Hastings published in 1878, Charles Goddard is listed as an artist residing at 9 St James's Road, Hastings. Mrs Lucy Goddard, Charles Goddard's wife, died at their home in Hastings in 1879, at the age of 65. When the census was taken on 3rd April 1881, Charles Goddard was entered on the return as a fifty-seven year old widower, earning his living as a "Painter, Artist & Teacher of Drawing". Sharing his house at 9 St James's Road was his youngest son, twenty year old John William Goddard who gives his occupation as "Decorator & Writer". The household was completed by Mrs Caroline Torrance, a forty-one year old widow serving as Goddard's housekeeper, and her four year old child, Kate H. Torrance.

Hastings 1871 Census at 9 St James Road

Charles Goddard, head, married, age 47, Artist & Drawing Master, born Rye.

Lucy Goddard, wife, married, age 57, born Dover.

Felix Goddard, son age 25, decorator & writer, born Clapham Surrey.

John William Goddard, son age 10, born Hastings.

Sarah Goddard, daughter in law, age 24, born Redgrave, Suffolk

Hastings 1881 Census at 9 St. James Road

Charles Goddard, head, widow, age 57, Artist & Teacher of Drawing, born Rye.

John W. Goddard, son, unmarried, age 20, Decorator & Writer, born Hastings.

Caroline Terrance, housekeeper, widow, age 41, born Hastings.

Kate H. Terrance, housekeeper's daughter, age 4, born Hastings.

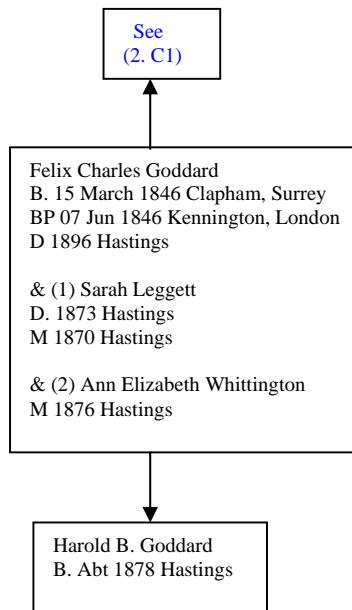
Charles was not found on the 1891 census and is presumed dead. Son John William Goddard is found on the 1891 and 1901 census.

(2. F2) Felix Charles Goddard 1846 - 1896

Felix Charles Goddard is the son of Charles and Lucy Goddard; [see \(2. C1\)](#). He was born 15 March 1846 in Clapham Surrey and baptized at St Mark's Church, Kennington, London.

Felix Charles Goddard married Sarah Leggett 2nd quarter 1870 in Hastings. Sarah died in 1873, 2nd quarter, in Hastings. Felix married for a second time in 4th quarter 1878 in Hastings, to Ann Elizabeth Whittington.

To date only one child has been found from Felix Charles Goddard and this is Harold B. Goddard born about 1878 in Hastings.



Felix Charles Goddard died in 1896 in Hastings. The GRO has a reference for his death in 4th quarter.

Hastings 1871 Census at 9 St James Road

Charles Goddard, head, married, age 47, Artist & Drawing Master, born Rye.

Lucy Goddard, wife, married, age 57, born Dover.

Felix Goddard, son age 25, decorator & writer, born Clapham Surrey.

John William Goddard, son age 10, born Hastings.

Sarah Goddard, daughter in law, age 24, born Redgrave, Suffolk

Hastings 1881 Census

Felix C. Goddard, head, married age 37, decorator, born Clapton, London.

Ann Goddard, wife, age 27, born Lamberhurst, Kent.

Harold Goddard, son, age 3, born Hastings, Sussex.

Harriet Spilsbury, visitor, widow, age 67, no birth place given.

Hastings 1891 Census, St. Andrews Square

Phelix C. Goddard, head, married, age 48, decorator, born Clapham, Surrey.

Amy Goddard, wife, age 35, born Seddlescombe, Sussex.

Harold B. Goddard, son, age 13, born Hastings.

Walthamstow 1901 Census at 46 Ringwood Road.

Harold B. Goddard singles, age 23, house painter, born Hastings.

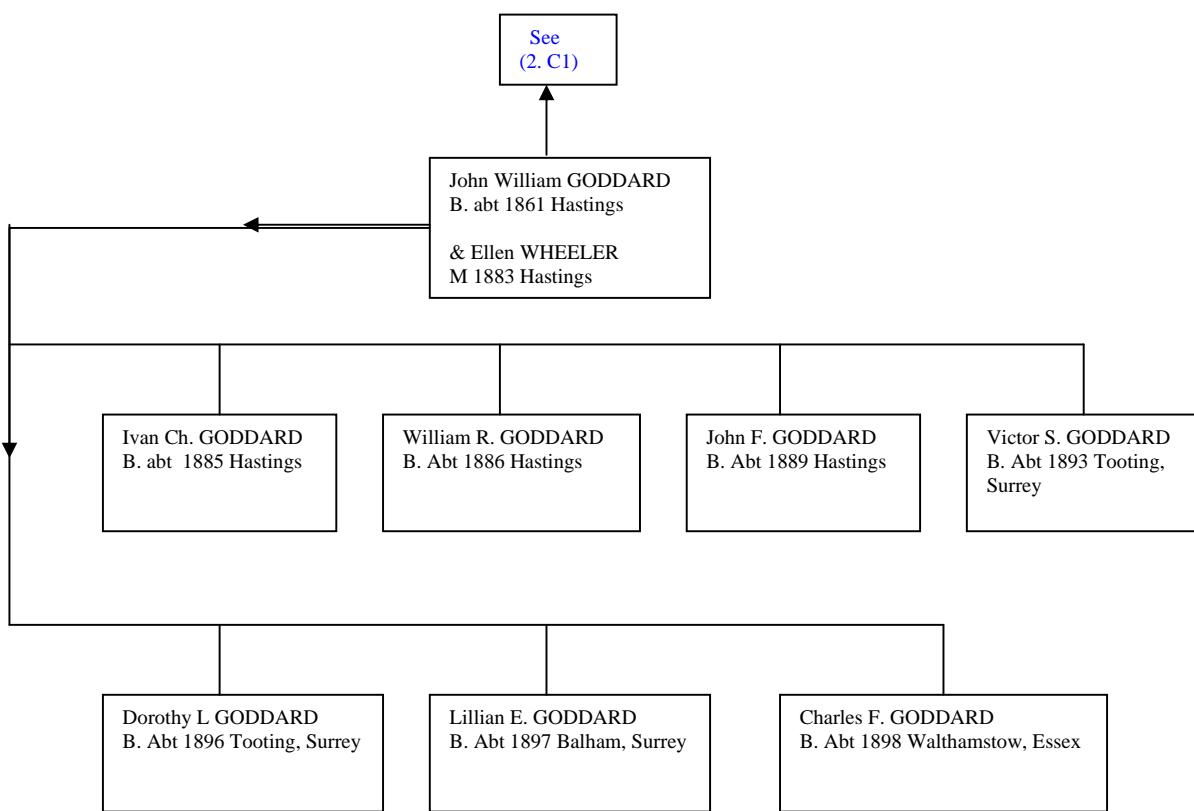
(Harold appears to be living alone with no relationship entered. Also note that Walthamstow is where his Uncle John William Goddard is resident in 1901.)

(2. J2) John William Goddard b. about 1861

John William Goddard is the son of Charles and Lucy Goddard; [see \(2. C1\)](#). He was born about 1861 in Hastings. John is found on the 1871 census living with his parents in Hastings. By 1881 his father has been widowed and John continues to live with him as a 20 year old. Probably after the death of his father, John left Hastings and is found in Streatham London in 1891. He seemed to move about a fair amount with children born Tooting, Balham and Walthamstow. We find him living in Walthamstow in the 1901 census.

John William Goddard married Ellen Wheeler in the 3rd quarter 1883 in Hastings which was found on the GRO index.

The census records show they had a large family.



The following children of John Wheeler Goddard and Ellen Wheeler have been identified from census records.

- Ivan Ch. Goddard born about 1885 in Hastings.
- William R. Goddard born about 1886 Hastings.
- John F. Goddard born about 1889 Hastings.
- Victor S. Goddard born about 1893 Tooting, Surrey.
- Dorothy L. Goddard born about 1896 Tooting, Surrey.
- Lillian E. Goddard born about 1897 Balham, Surrey.

- Charles F. Goddard born about 1898 Walthamstow, Essex.

Hastings 1871 Census at 9 St James Road

Charles Goddard, head, married, age 47, Artist & Drawing Master, born Rye.
 Lucy Goddard, wife, married, age 57, born Dover.
 Felix Goddard, son age 25, decorator & writer, born Clapham Surrey.
 John William Goddard, son age 10, born Hastings.
 Sarah Goddard, daughter in law, age 24, born Redgrave, Suffolk

Hastings 1881 Census at 9 St. James Road

Charles Goddard, head, widow, age 57, Artist & Teacher of Drawing, born Rye.
 John W. Goddard, son, unmarried, age 20, Decorator & Writer, born Hastings.
 Caroline Terrance, housekeeper, widow, age 41, born Hastings.
 Kate H. Terrance, housekeeper's daughter, age 4, born Hastings.

Streatham, London 1891 Census, 5 Caroline Villa

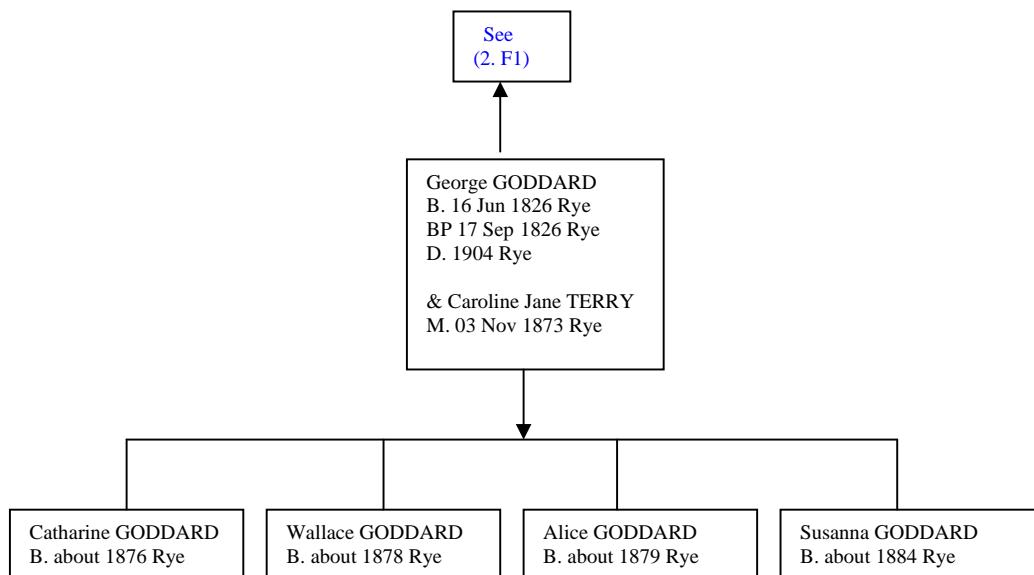
John W. Goddard, head, age 30, occupation Sign Writer, born Hastings, Sussex.
 Ellen Goddard, wife, age 30, born Hastings.
 Ivan Ch. Goddard, son, age 6, scholar, born Hastings.
 William R. Goddard, son, age 5, scholar, born Hastings.
 John F. Goddard, son, age 2, born Hastings.

Essex 1901 Census at 18 Miller Road, Walthamstow

John W. Goddard, head, age 40, married, born Hastings, occupation house decorator.
 Ellen Goddard, wife, age 40, born Hastings.
 Ivan C. Goddard, son, age 16, occupation Printer Cropper Boy, born Hastings.
 William R. Goddard, son, age 15, T? Layer on, born Hastings.
 John F. Goddard, son, age 12, born Hastings.
 Victor S. Goddard, son, age 8, born Lower Tooting, Surrey.
 Dorothy L. Goddard, daughter, age 5, born Lower Tooting, Surrey.
 Lillian E. Goddard, daughter, age 4, born Balham, Surrey.
 Charles F. Goddard, son, age 3, born Walthamstow, Essex.

(2. G1) George Goddard 1826 - 1904

George Goddard is the son of Felix Goddard and Catherine Russell, [see \(2. F1\)](#). He was born in Rye 16 June 1826 and baptized at the Rye Wesleyan Chapel on 17 September 1826. George married Caroline Jane Terry in Rye on 03 November 1873. This was a late marriage, George was 47 years old, but he still managed to go on and produce 4 children.



George and Caroline Goddard had following children identified from census information:

- Catharine Goddard born about 1876 in Rye.
- Wallace Goddard born about 1878 in Rye.
- Alice Goddard born about 1879 in Rye.
- Susanna Goddard born about 1884 in Rye.

1841 Census George is living with his parents in Dover.

Felix Goddard 50 Clerk born Kent

Catherine Goddard 45 not born Kent

Alfred Goddard 20 Clerk not born Kent

Catherine Goddard 18 not born Kent

George Goddard 15 not born Kent

Ellen Goddard 13 not born Kent

William Goddard 7 born Kent

Edward Goddard 5 born Kent

1851 Census George is living with his parents in Rye

Felix Goddard Head Marr 62 Clerk b. Kent Stanford.

Catherine Goddard wife Marr 60 born Rye Sussex

Catherine Goddard daughter 28 born Rye

George Goddard son 24 Painter's journeyman born Rye

William Goddard son 20 Painter's journeyman born Dover
Edward Goddard son 18 Painter's journeyman born Dover

1861 Census George is living at 29 High Street, Rye, Sussex with his parents.
Goddard Felen (*Felix*) married aged 71 Clerk Merchant Born Stanford. Kent
Goddard Catherine married aged 69 Born Rye Sussex
Goddard William Henry Single aged 30 Painter employing 3 men 2 boys Born Dover
Kent.

1871 Census George is living with his widowed mother at 7 Highland Yard, Rye.
Catherine Goddard, Head, Widow, aged 79, born Sussex Rye.
George Goddard, son, unmarried, aged 44, painter, born Sussex Rye.

1881 Census George is now married and living with his family at Hyland's Yard, Rye.
George Goddard Head married aged 54 Painter born Sussex Rye.
Caroline Goddard Wife married aged 38 born Kent Lydd
Catharine Goddard daughter aged 5 a scholar born Sussex Rye
Wallace Goddard son aged 3 born Sussex Rye
Alice Goddard daughter aged 2 born Sussex Rye

1891 census George and family are still living at Hyland's Yard, Rye.
George Goddard Head married aged 64 Gilder and Writer? neither employed nor
unemployed born Sussex Rye
Caroline Goddard Wife married aged 48 born Kent Lydd
Wallace Goddard son aged 13 Clerk at Gasworks employed born Sussex Rye
Alice Goddard daughter aged 12 a scholar born Sussex Rye
Frances Goddard daughter aged 9 a scholar born Sussex Rye
Susanna Goddard daughter aged 7 a scholar born Sussex Rye.

1901 census George and family are still living at Hyland's Yard, Rye.
George Goddard Head married aged 74 Gilder and Decorator own account born Sussex
Rye
Caroline Goddard Wife married aged 57 born Kent Lydd
Frances Goddard daughter aged 19 Clerk Jewelers born Rye
Susanna Goddard daughter aged 17 Book Maker born Sussex Rye

George's daughter, Catherine, is found working as a housekeeper at South Undercliffe,
Rye in the 1901 Census.
Louisa Fletcher Head widow aged 77 Living on own means born Kent Lydd
Catherine J Goddard Housekeeper single aged 25 Housekeeper Dom. Worker born
Sussex Rye
Wallace Goddard Visitor single aged 23 Sign Writer Painter Worker born Sussex Rye.

George's daughter, Alice, is found working as a domestic servant at 16 Cambridge Road,
Eastbourne in 1901 census.
Erasmus Pratt Head married aged 33 Commission Agent Own Account born America

Philadelphia, British Subject.

Edith M Pratt daughter aged 6 born Lancashire Manchester

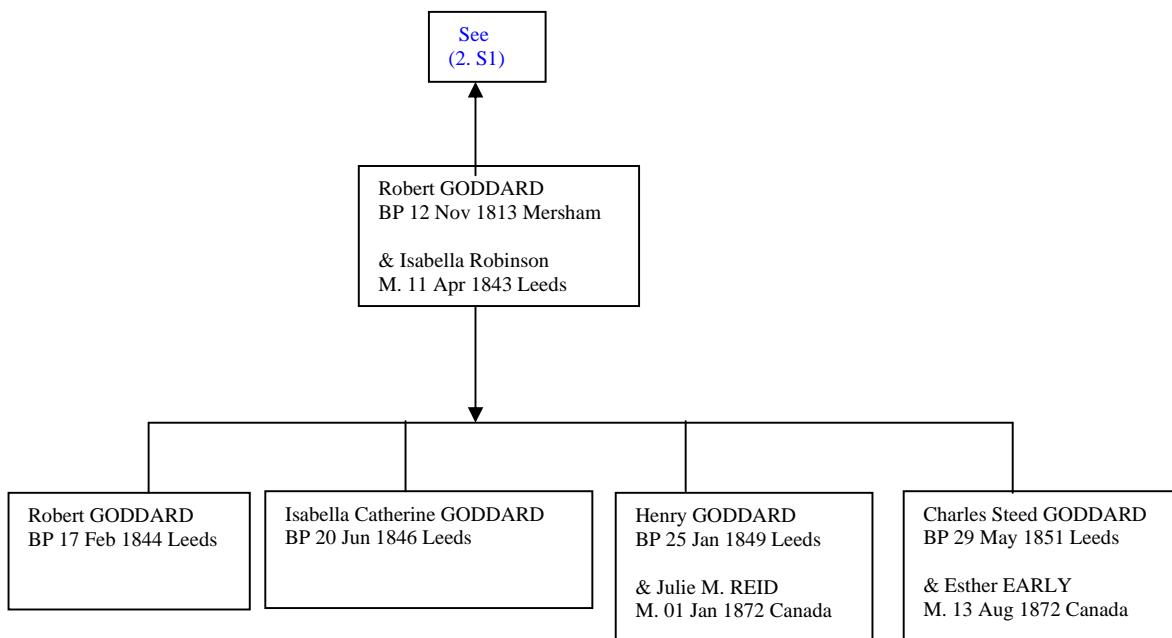
Charles Pratt stepson aged 11 born London Wandsworth

Alice S Goddard servant single aged 22 Domestic born Sussex Rye.

(2. R3) Robert Goddard 1813

Robert Goddard is the son of Steed Goddard and Elizabeth Ann Seeker, see (2. S1).

Robert married Isabella Robinson in Leeds (Kent) on 11 April 1843.



Robert and Isabella had the following children all baptised in Leeds (Kent).

- Robert Goddard baptised 17 February 1844.
- Isabella Catherine Goddard baptised 20 June 1846.
- Henry Goddard baptised 25 January 1849.
- Charles Steed Goddard baptised 29 May 1851.

In 1851 the family was living at in Leeds (Kent).

- Robert Goddard Head mar. 38 Brewer born **Kent Mersham**
- Isabella Goddard wife mar 39 born Sussex Salehurst
- Robert Goddard 7 born Kent Leeds
- Isabella Goddard 4 born Kent Leeds
- Henry Goddard 2 born Kent Leeds
- Sarah Fuller serv 13 nurse servant born Kent Boxley

The family must then have immigrated to Canada as we find the marriage of sons Charles and Henry in London Ontario Canada. The parents Robert and Isabella were witnesses.

The marriage record states that Charles was 21 a carpenter born in Kent England the son of Robert and Isabella Goddard. He was resident in London Ontario. Charles married Esther Early, 23, born in Ontario Canada daughter of Francis & Margaret Early.

Witnesses were Robert Goddard & Annie Peace. They married on 13 August 1872 at West Nissouri.

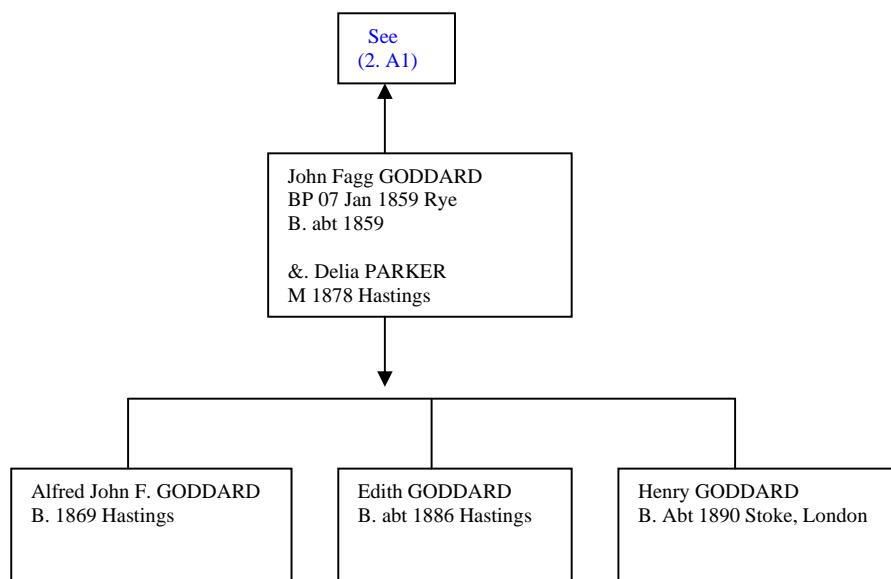
Henry Goddard, 23, a mechanic born in England the sone of Robert & Isabella. He married Julia M. Reid on 01 Jan 1872 at Christ Church Parsonage in London Ontario. Julia was 23, born London Ontario and the daughter of Reuben & Marilla Reid. Witnesses were Robert Henry Reid & Isabella Goddarde both resident in London Ontario.

Steed Goddard, father of Robert left a will dated 23 December 1843 (reference PROB 11/2010).

He leaves to his son Robert Goddard and his daughters Elizabeth and Francis all of his real estate property and the remainder of his estate and they are also to be executors. Unfortunately, he does not say where or what the property is. In the codicil, he revokes the £20 left to Steed and Mary Ann on the basis he has already given it to them.

(2. J3) John Fagg Goddard 1859

John Fagg Goddard baptized 07 Jan 1859 in Rye. John is the son of Alfred Goddard and Anne Elizabeth Clark ([see 2. A1](#)). John married Delia Parker in Hastings; found on the FreeBMD December Quarter 1878. The 1881 census shows one son Alfred who is also found on FreeBMD as Alfred John F. Goddard born quarter 4 1869 in Hastings. The 1991 census has the family living in Whitechapel London with 2 further children: Edith born about 1886 in Hastings and Henry born about 1890 in Stoke, London.



E. Sussex 1871 Census Rye

Alfred Goddard, head, age 50, picture cleaner & painter, born Rye.

Anne E. Goddard, wife, age 50, school mistress, born Rye.

John F. Goddard, son, age 14, scholar, born Rye.

Jane E. Goddard, daughter, age 13, scholar, born Rye.

Helen C. Goddard, daughter, age 9, scholar, born Hastings.

1881 Census Hastings at 7 York Gardens

John F. Goddard, Head, no age given, married, house painter, born Rye.

Delia Goddard, wife, age 24, born Hastings

Alfred Goddard, son, age 2, born Hastings

1891 Census Whitechapel, London at 34 High St

John F. Goddard, Head, married, age 34, paperhanger, born Rye.

Delia Goddard, wife, married, age 33, born Hastings.

Alfred J.F. Goddard, son, age 11, scholar, born Hastings.

Edith Goddard, daughter, age 5, scholar, born Hastings.

Henry C. Goddard, son, age 1, born Stoke, London

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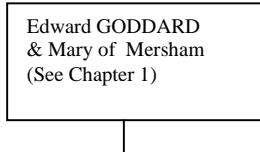
Introduction

William Goddard of this chapter is the son of Edward and Mary Goddard documented in Chapter 2.

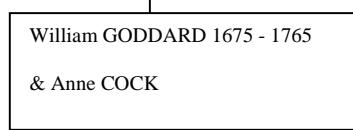
The information in this chapter has been researched in detail and the family can be traced to living descendants. To protect the privacy of individuals, no living members are mentioned by name unless they have provided explicit permission to be included.

To aid understanding of the primary individuals that are included in the contents list on the previous page, a high level tree follows which demonstrates the relationship of the individuals. It does not include all members of the tree which you will find in the body of the report.

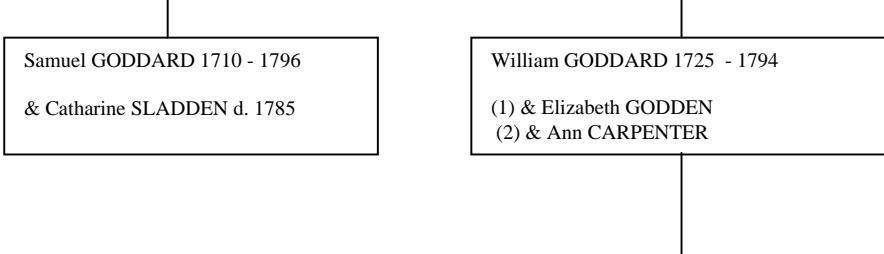
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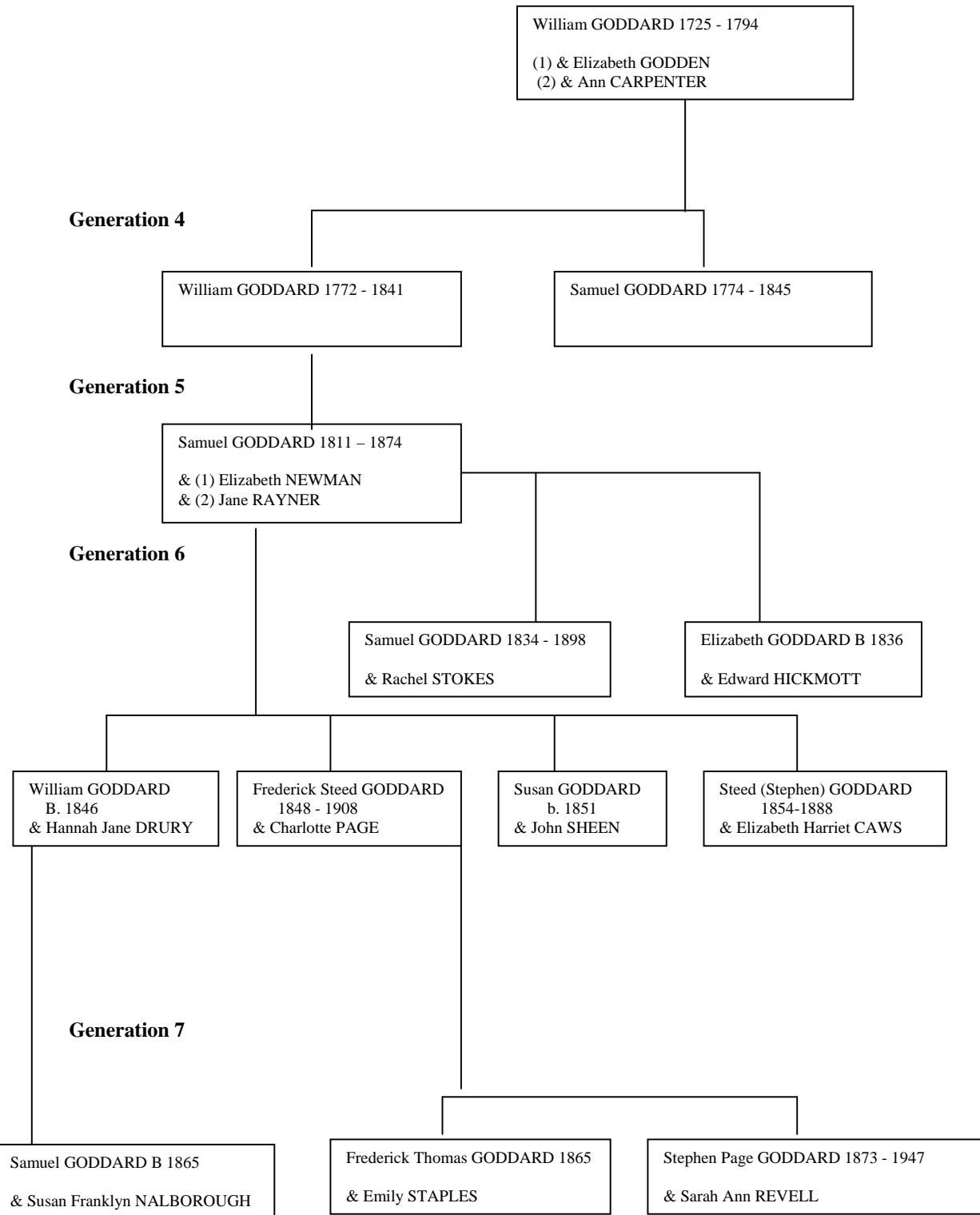


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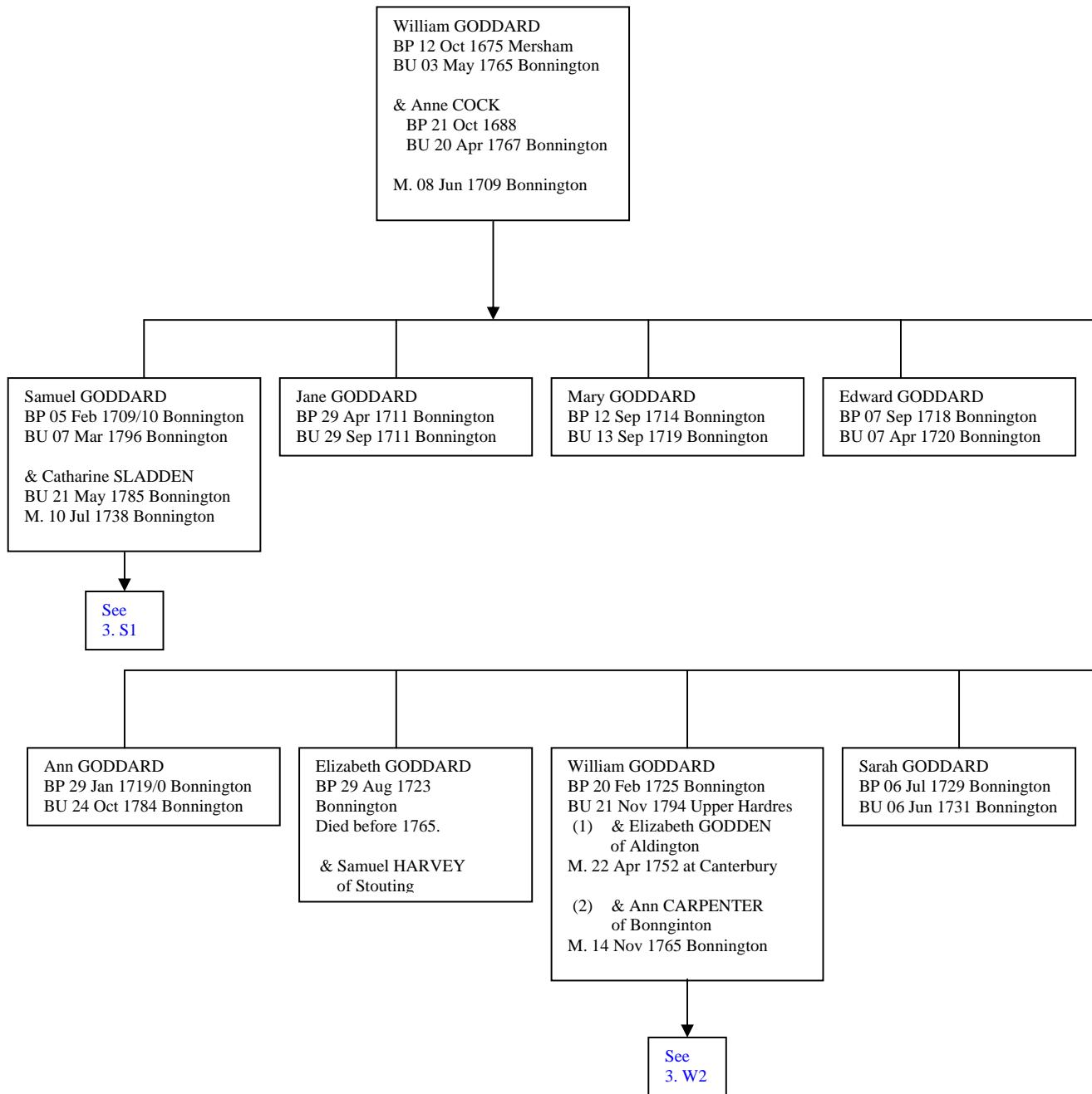
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(3. W1) William Goddard 1675 – 1765

William Goddard was baptised in Mersham on 12 Oct 1675. He is the son of Edward and Jane Goddard.

William married Anne Cock at Bonnington on the 08 June 1709.



William Goddard and Anne Cock are known to have had 8 children all baptised at Bonnington.

- Samuel Goddard baptised 05 February 1709/10.
- Jane Goddard baptised 29 April 1711 and buried 5 months later on the 29 September 1711.
- Mary Goddard baptised 12 September 1714 and buried age 4 on the 13 of September 1719.
- Edward Goddard baptised 07 September 1718 and buried at 7 months old on 07 April 1720.
- Ann Goddard baptised 29 Jan 1719/20 and buried unmarried on the 24 October 1784 age 64.
- Elizabeth Goddard baptised 29 August 1723. I believe she married Samuel Harvey of Stouting on 14 September 1746 in Brenzett but it is probable that she died prior to 1765 as there is no mention of her in William's will.
- William Goddard baptised 20 February 1725 and buried at Upper Hardres 21 November 1794. More about William later.
- Sarah Goddard buried 06 June 1731. She was baptised 06 July 1729.

In the parish records, there is one reference to William having signed a document (with his mark) which pertains to distribution of charity. It is also signed by his son Samuel who was already a church warden. Another document in 1752 is signed by William and both his sons, William and Samuel.

William was buried on 03 May 1765. He left a will (reference PRC 17/97/141) dated 16 June 1757. It was proved on the 9 May 1767. It states he was a yeoman of Bonnington.

William leaves 'all and singular' his messuage, lands etc to 'my loving wife Anne Goddard' for the terms of her natural life or until she marries. We know she died 2 years later as his widow and was buried in Bonnington on 20 April 1767. In the Bonnington Rate Assessment Ann is paying rates in 1766; the same property from 1768 is shown to be owned and occupied by William Goddard, her son.

After his widow dies, the following bequests are made:

- To son William, a piece of land of 3 1/2 acres being part of Cheslands in Bonnington. A small stream separates the part. This bequest is charged with paying an annuity of forty shillings a year to daughter Ann which is to be paid free of charges and taxes.
- To son Samuel the other part of Cheslands which is 1/2 acre in Bonnington which is now in the occupation 'of my said son'.
- Also to Samuel, 'my messuage with stable, garden, orchard, and several pieces of land arable and pasture being 8 acres in Bonnington now in the occupation of Joseph Caspullen which I purchased of the Johnsons'. This is charged with paying an annuity of 30 shillings a year to daughter Ann, again free of all charges and taxes.
- To son William, 'all my messuage, the barn, stable, gardens, orchard and several pieces of land arable and pasture being in Aldington and Bonnington and now in

my own occupation which I purchased from John Rowlands'. This is charged with paying Ann another annuity of 20 shillings.

- To daughter Ann, in addition to the annuities, she is to have during her natural life or until she marries, the use of the best chamber and low room in the messuage given to William above. He is also to provide her with a place to stack wood in the yard and she, her friends and associates will have free liberty to come and go.

Note that Ann is single and age 37 when the will is written and she was not buried until 1784 at which time she was still single, so William is stuck with her!

Wife Ann is sole executor. She is to have all his goods, chattels & personal estate subject to the payment of his debts and funeral expenses.

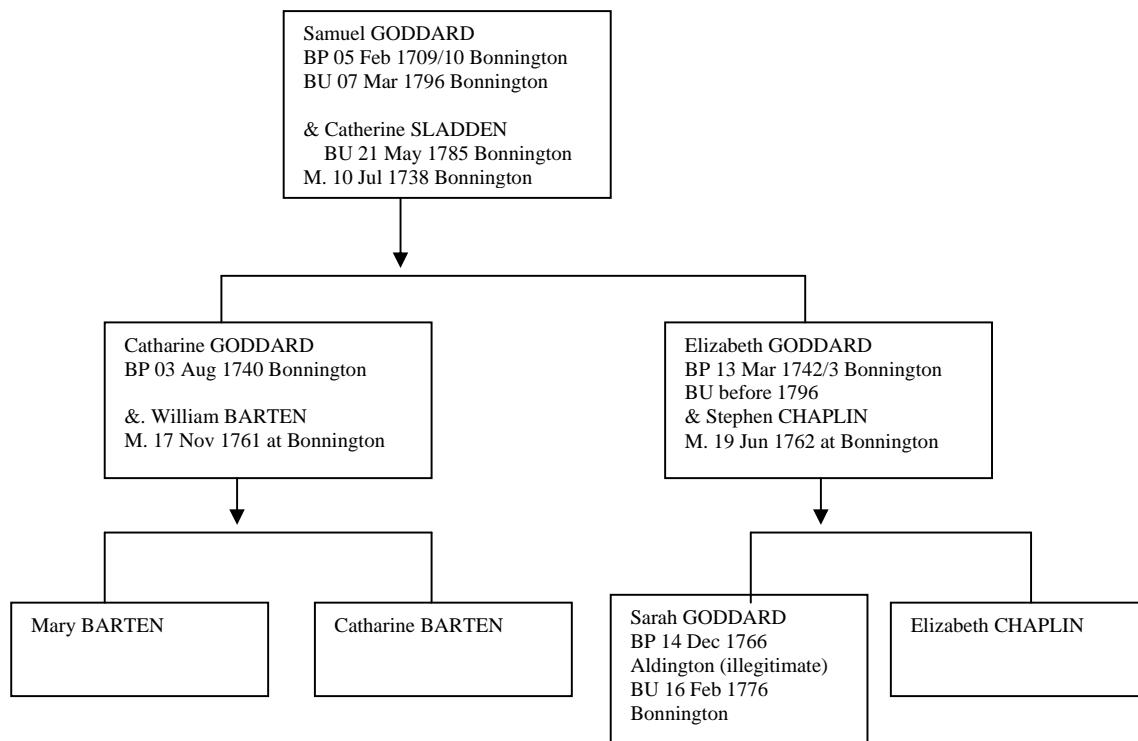
(3. S1) Samuel Goddard 1710 – 1796

Samuel Goddard was baptised 05 February 1709/10 in Bonnington and he is the son of William Goddard and Anne COCK.

Samuel marries Catharine Sladden in Bonnington on 10 July 1738. They had only two daughters which is confirmed by Samuel's will.

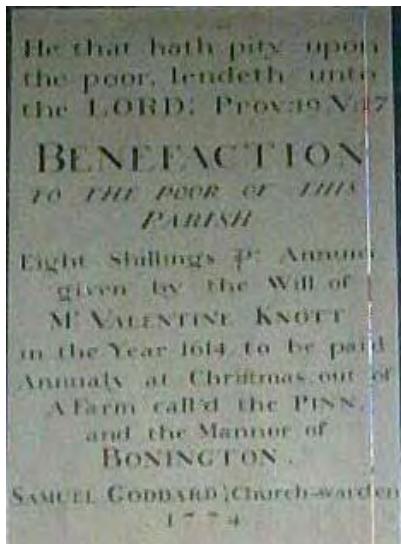
- Catharine GODDARD baptised 03 August 1740. She married William Barten in Bonnington 17 November 1761 and had 2 daughters Mary and Catharine.
- Elizabeth Goddard baptised 13 March 1742/3 at Bonnington. Elizabeth had an illegitimate daughter Sarah who was baptised in Aldington 14 December 1766 and appears to have been buried in 1776 age 10. Elizabeth went on to marry Stephen Chaplin of Sevington in 1762 at Bonnington. There was one child from the marriage, Elizabeth Chaplin.

In 1767, Samuel inherited property in Bonnington from his father William Goddard. Catharine, Samuel's wife, was buried in Bonnington on 21 May 1785. Samuel was a widower for 11 years before also being buried in Bonnington on 07 March 1796.



Samuel is found in the Rate Assessments for Bonnington. The first assessment found is 1766. At this time Samuel is a tenant of Mr Lawson of a sizable estate. He also owns a property which is thought to be Shingleton and Bonnington, otherwise known as Bonnington Kennetts. This is the property he sells to Robert Goddard in about 1772. He also owns another smaller property in Bonnington which he lives in after the sale of Kennetts and this is likely to be the property he inherited from his father William. In

1786, Samuel rents this property to Charles Crothall. He would have been 76 years old by this time. He is still shown as the landlord up until the time of his death in 1796. His daughter Mrs. Barton, then pays rates until 1800 when Crothall buys the property.



Samuel must have been a respected man in the area. He is often referred to as Mr Samuel Goddard, where the title Mr. is usually reserved for the leading members. Samuel also served his community for many years as church warden. There are various entries for expenses incurred by him on behalf of the parish.

Samuel left a will (reference PRC 17/103/17) dated 16 Jul 1792. He is said to be a yeoman of Bonnington. The will was proved the 9 April 1796.

Samuel is a widower with 1 surviving married daughter, and 3 granddaughters; no sons. His will sets

up a trust fund and the trustees are Charles Crothall and William Ford both yeomen of Aldington who are also executors of the will. He requests the trustees to sell his property; a messuage with garden, orchard and 7 pieces of land totally 13 acres in Bonnington which is occupied by Charles Crothall. (It should be noted that in the will of Robert Goddard dated 1773, he refers to property in Bonnington that he recently bought from Samuel Goddard which is a manor house and some 40 acres.)

The trustees are to sell all his personal belonging and together with the money from the property to create a trust fund.

The interest and dividends from the trust fund to be paid to his 3 granddaughters, Elizabeth Chaplin, daughter of Samuels *late* daughter Elizabeth, and Mary and Catharine Barton, daughters of his Daughter Catherine Barton and her husband William. If Catherine outlives her husband William, then she is to have the interest during her lifetime and, at the discretion of the trustees, access to the capital if required.

After the death of Catherine, the capital is to be divided between his 3 granddaughters.

(3. W2) William Goddard 1725 – 1794

William Goddard was baptised in Bonnington on the 20 February 1725/6. He is the son of William Goddard and Anne Cock; see (3. W1).

William married twice. His first marriage was to Elizabeth Godden. They married at St George's in Canterbury on 22 April 1752 by license. The license says that William was a 24 year old bachelor of Bonnington. He was a husbandman. (It wasn't until 1767 that he inherited land from his father). Elizabeth Godden was from Aldington. She was 21 and a spinster. The license was for a marriage at St. Georges or St. Magdalene's in Canterbury. There seems to be 2 daughters from this marriage.

- Elizabeth Goddard baptised in Bonnington 12 May 1754.
- Ann Goddard baptised in Bonnington 12 December 1756.

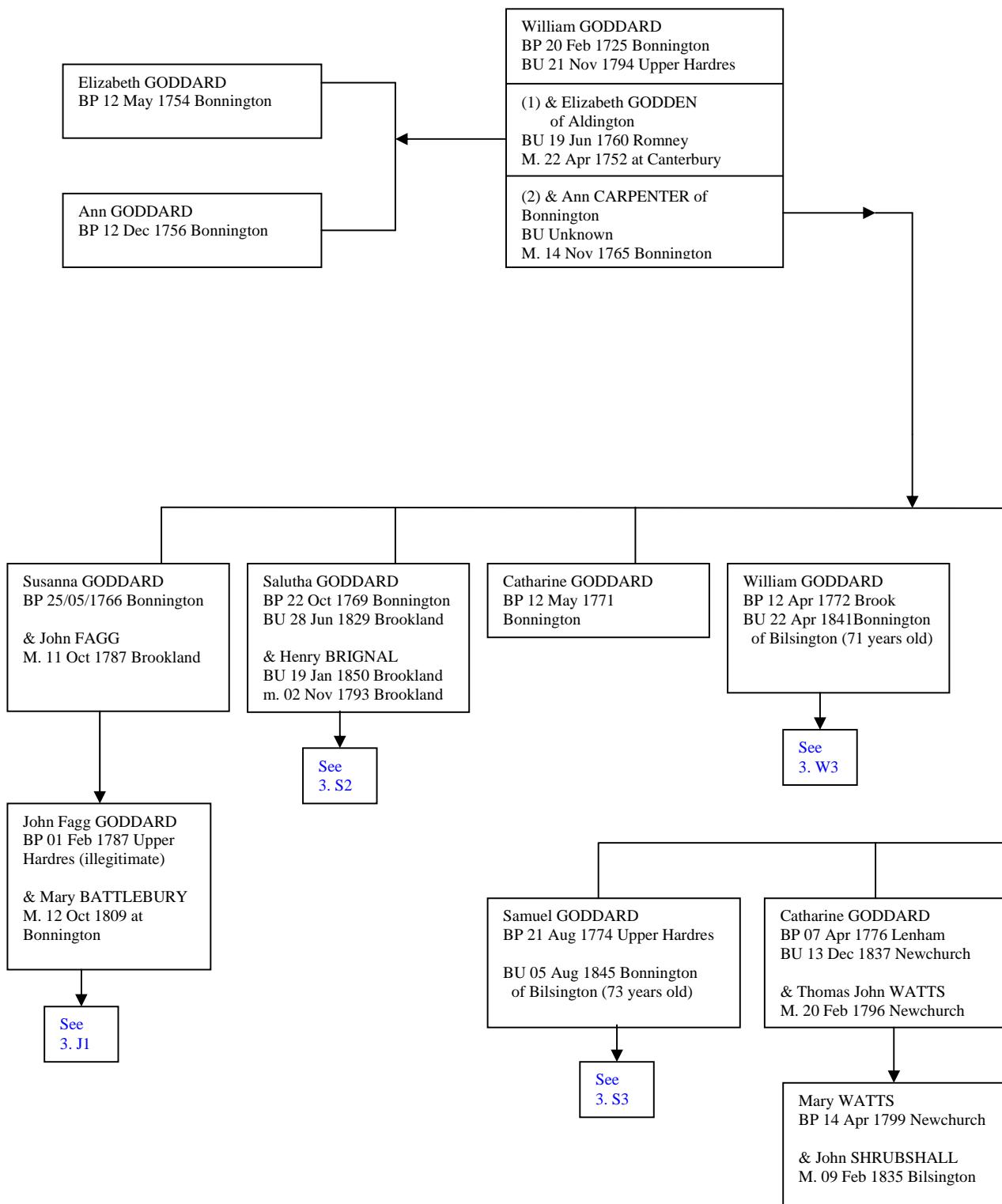
We next place William in Romney where his wife Elizabeth was buried 19 June 1760. What became of the children Elizabeth and Ann is not known.

On 14 November 1765, William Goddard marries for a second time in Bonnington. The marriage license states that William is a yeoman (property owning) and a widower of Bonnington and he married Ann Carpenter a spinster also of Bonnington. We know that he takes over property in Bonnington after the death of his mother in 1767.

We have identified 6 children from this marriage.

- Susanna Goddard was baptised in Bonnington on 25 May 1766. Susanna had a illegitimate son, John Fagg Goddard, in Upper Hardres who was baptised 01 February 1787. Bonnington shows banns being read for Susanna and John Fagg in September 1787; she was said to be from Brookland and may have married there. Son John Fagg Goddard goes on to marry Mary Battlebury and they have four children baptised in Bonnington between 1808 and 1829.
- Salutha Goddard was baptised in Bonnington on the 22 October 1769. She goes on to marry Henry Brignall on 02 November 1793 at Brookland.
- Catharine Goddard was baptised 12 May 1771 in Bonnington and buried in Bonnington 29 June 1772, at just over a year old.
- William Goddard was born in 1772. Kathleen has provided a baptism in Brook 12 April 1772.
- Samuel Goddard was baptised on Upper Hardres 21 August 1774.
- Catharine Goddard was baptised in Lenham on 07 Apr 1776. Catharine goes on to marry Thomas John Watts in Newchurch 20 February 1796.

William Goddard 1725 - 1794



What happened to William and Ann is a bit of a puzzle still being pieced together. We know that William inherited property in Aldington and Bonnington and a share of the estate of his father William Goddard in 1767.

The Rate Assessments for Bonnington show William taking over his mother's place after her death in 1767. He is shown as living in Bonnington up until 1774. In 1775, the property is let to a tenant and he is no longer shown

We place him living in Bonnington until around 1772, although his first wife is buried in Romney in 1760. Son William was baptised in Brook April 1772, and daughter Catherine was buried in Bonnington Jun 1772. We then place him in Upper Hardres in 1774 where his son Samuel was baptised. Then on 1 April 1776, Lenham Parish is seeking to have him and his family removed (reference P224/13/1/85) and Upper Hardres is accepting him as having settlement in their parish. They baptise baby Catherine (said to be 3 months old) the following week at Lenham. Settlement was not easily come by if you were not born in a parish. Did he buy property in Upper Hardres after he sold the property in Bonnington? This would explain the Upper Hardres settlement. We will never know because the records for Upper Hardres were destroyed in a fire.

It would appear that they then settled in Upper Hardres as daughter Susanna has a baby there in 1787 and William is buried there in 1794.

We have not found a burial for William's wife Ann and we have not found a will for William.

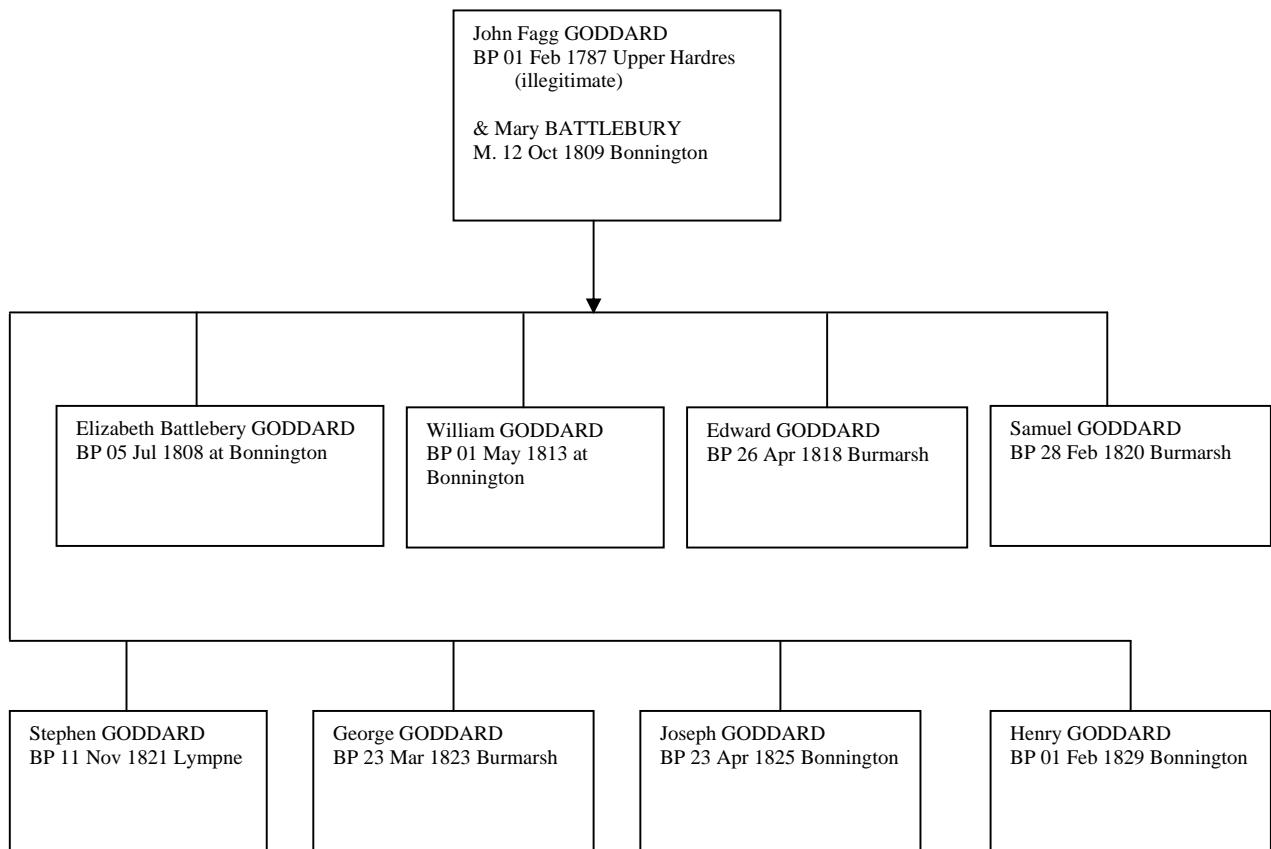
(3. J1) John Fagg Goddard

Susanna Goddard is the daughter of William Goddard and Ann Carpenter. She was baptised in Bonnington on the 25 Mary 1766. Susanna had an illegitimate son, John Fagg Goddard. He was baptised in Upper Hardres on 01 February 1787.

The Bonnington register shows banns being read for Susanna and John Fagg in September 1787; Susanna was noted as from Brookland. They married at Brookland on 11 October 1787.

Given John's middle name of Fagg and the fact that his mother married John Fagg some months after the marriage, it is probably safe to assume that the father of John Fagg Goddard was John Fagg.

John Fagg Goddard married Mary Battlebury at Bonnington on 12 October 1809.



The following children of John Fagg Goddard and Mary Battlebury have been found.

- Elizabeth Battleberry Goddard baptised at Bonnington on 05 July 1808.
- William Goddard baptised at Bonnington on 01 May 1813.
- Edward Goddard baptised at Burmarsh on 26 April 1818. His abode was given as Eastbridge and the father was a labourer.
- Samuel Goddard baptised at Burmarsh on 28 February 1820.
- Stephen Goddard baptised at Lympne on 11 November 1821.
- George Goddard baptised at Burmarsh 23 March 1823.
- Joseph Goddard baptised at Bonnington on 23 April 1825.
- Henry Goddard baptised at Bonnington on 1 February 1829.

Other than the baptism of the children, we have found no further information on this family. We know from above that John Fagg Goddard was a labourer and that he lived in several parishes including Upper Hardres, Bonnington, and Burmarsh. The need to find work probably necessitated the moves.

(3. S2) Salutha Brignall nee Goddard 1769 - 1829

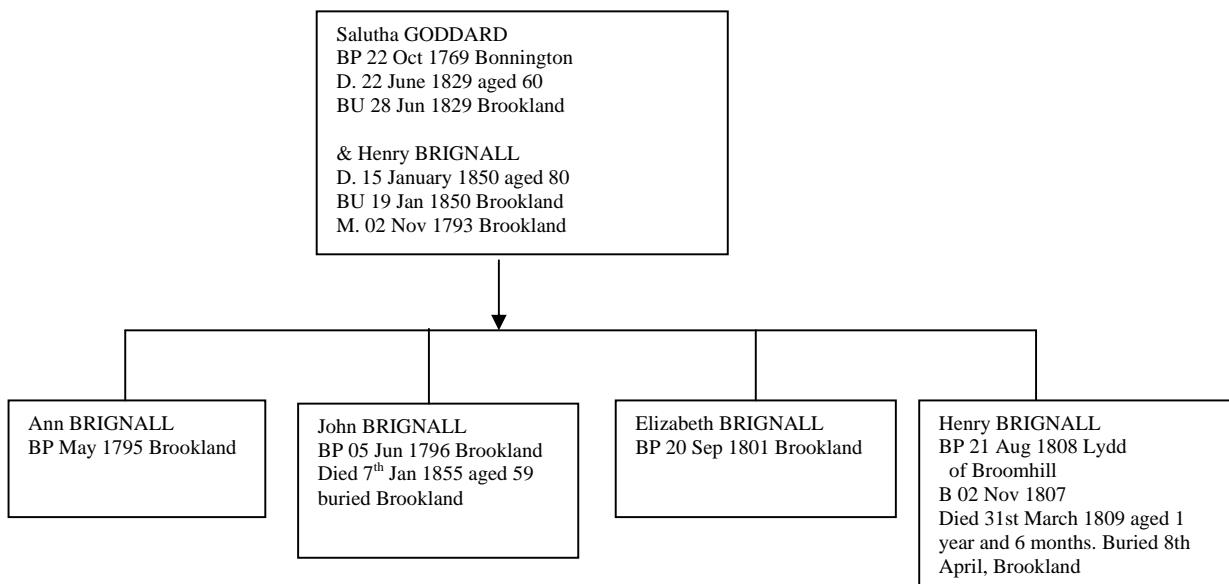
Salutha is the daughter of William Goddard and Ann Carpenter. She was baptised in Bonnington on 22 October 1769; see (3.W2).

Salutha is a most unusual name and, to date, we have not any reference to the origin of the name.

As a young child, Salutha must have led an unsettled life. We have tracked her parents from Bonnington in 1769, to Brook 1772, Upper Hardres in 1774 and Lenham in 1776. The family, including Salutha, were removed from Lenham to Upper Hardres in 1776 and probably settled there.

Salutha married Henry Brignall on the 02 November 1793 in Brookland. The record states that both Salutha and Henry were 'of the parish' of Brookland and not previously married. Witnesses to the marriage were William Goddard and Martha Swaine. As her father William did not die until 1794, this might be him; otherwise it will be her brother William.

As an aside note, Henry and Salutha stood witness on 11 September 1811 at the wedding of Stephen Martin, a widower, and Elizabeth Haywood, a widow, both of the parish of Brookland. This probably means they were still living in Brookland at this time.



The following children have been identified from the marriage of Salutha Goddard and Henry Brignall.

- Ann Brignall baptised May 1795 at Brookland.
- John Brignall was baptised at Brookland 05 June 1796.
- Elizabeth Brignall baptised 20 September 1801 Brookland.
- Henry Brignall baptised 21 Aug 1808 at Lydd. The record indicates he was from Broomhill and gives a birth date of 02 November 1807. It is worth pointing out that Samuel Goddard, uncle to Salutha was in Broomhill about the same time. There is also a burial 08 April 1809 for one Henry Brignall, infant. No further information is given but this is possibly this Henry.

It is probable that there are further children yet to be found. We note a burial of John Brignall, of Ivychurch, at Brookland on 29 January 1825; this might be another son of the couple. Another burial at Brookland, 15 Jan 1853, was John Brignall of Lydd aged 59. Relationship is not certain.

Salutha was buried at Brookland on the 28 June 1829. She was recorded as age 60 and abode of Brookland.

Her husband, Henry Brignall, was buried on 19 Jan 1850 at Brookland but said to be of Lydd. He was 90 years old.

(3. W3) William Goddard 1772 - 1841

William Goddard was baptised 12 April 1772 at Brook. He is the son of William Goddard and Ann Carpenter; see [\(3. W2\)](#).

His death certificate shows he died on 16 April 1841. Bonnington register has his burial 22 April, age 71, and indicates he was from Bilsington.

William is included on the settlement / removal order for the family then in Lenham dated 1776. He would have been just 4 years old. His childhood would have been one of many moves. We have tracked his family in Brook April 1772 for his baptism, in June 1772 his sister is buried in Bonnington, brother Samuel is baptised in Upper Hardres in Aug 1774, and his sister, Catherine, is baptised in Lenham in 1776. It is likely he spent the rest of his childhood in Upper Hardres.

We know that William had one son, Samuel Goddard born about 1811, probably in Folkestone. We do not know who the mother is, but there is a marriage in Folkestone 12 Oct 1793 of one William Goddard and Sarah Dixon. There is a strong probability that this is William. To confirm this, we need to find the baptism of their son Samuel.

William's brother Samuel leaves a will which confirms that William is his brother and the father of Samuel.

(3. S3) Samuel Goddard 1774 – 1845

Samuel Goddard was baptised in Upper Hardres on the 21 August 1774. His parents were William Goddard and Ann Carpenter; see [\(3. W2\)](#)

We know little about the life of Samuel. As far as we can tell he never married or if he did, he had no surviving children or wife at the time of his death. All the information we have for Samuel comes from his will. However, **Samuel's will was the key to unravelling this family tree.**

It provides the proof required to link this generation with the previous one. As Samuel's father, William, led an unsettled life, moving from one parish to another, it was not until this will was found that we were able to establish beyond doubt the relationship between Samuel and his brother William and William's children. We, therefore, copy this will in its entirety on the next page while giving a brief summary on this page. The will was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury and the reference number is PROB 11/2025.

Samuel was buried in Bonnington on the 5 August 1845 at 73 years of age. He was said to be from Bilsington. His death certificate dated the 2 August 1845 indicates he died of natural causes at 73 years of age. He was said to be a journeyman, which implies a trade. The death was reported by the coroner M. Delancy implying there was an inquest.

Samuel left a detailed will dated 17 May 1842 with codicils. He is referred to as Samuel Goddard, senior, of Bilsington, a gentleman and farmer. It states he was once of Broomhill, near Lydd.

He leaves to his niece Mary Shrubshall, wife of John Shrubshall, his cottage called Bourne Tap in Bilsington where Mary is currently residing with her husband and daughter Sarah. Mary is the daughter of Samuel's sister Catherine.

He leaves all his other real estate to his nephew Samuel Goddard, son of his brother William, in trust for his great nephew Samuel Goddard (son of Samuel junior). Against his property, there is a charge of £500 to be paid to great nephew William and great niece Elizabeth to be divided equally.

The rest of his estate is to be shared between William and Elizabeth, children of his nephew Samuel.

He appoints his nephew Harry Watts and his niece Mary Shrubshall as executors.

The first codicil, dated 24 April 1844, states that since the will was made, he has bought an annuity of £6 10 shillings per year, which he leaves to Mary Shrubshall for her sole use. A second Codicil dated 26 July 1845 deals with money on St Clements Bank, Strand, London which he leaves to his great niece Elizabeth Goddard. The property is now divided between the 2 great nephews without charges against them. The will was proved 18 October 1845.

In 1841, Samuel is living in Bilsington with his nephew (son of his brother William) and his nephew's family.

1841 Census Bilsington

Samuel Goddard, 63, farmer.

Samuel Goddard, 25, farm labourer.

Jane Goddard, 15.

Samuel Goddard, 7.

Elizabeth Goddard, 5.

William Goddard, 5.

Catherine Goddard, 3 months.

The Will of Samuel Goddard 1845¹

This is the Last Will and Testament of me Samuel Goddard sen (*Senior*) of Bilsington in the county of Kent, a gentleman and farmer. I direct that all my just debts, funeral and testamentary expenses be paid as soon as *conveniently* may be after my decease. I give devise and bequeath to my niece Mary Shrubshall, wife of John Shrubshall all that that my cottage or *tenement*² with the *garden* and appurtenances called Bourne Tap in Bilsington, parish aforesaid in part of which the said Mary Shrubshall, niece resides. To hold the same to her, her heirs and assigns for ever independent of and without being subject to the debts or control of her present or any future husband and as to all other my real estate whatsoever and wheresoever situated. I give devise and bequeath the same and every part thereof unto my nephew Samuel Goddard but upon this trust and for the purposes following that is to say upon trust that he shall and do use his best and utmost endeavours to preserve and manage and husband the same as is now done and to the best

¹ Source: Prerogative Court of Canterbury, reference PROB 11/2025.

² standard term used to imply a house usually implying in a village or town and being small. Messuage is used generally for a larger house.

advantage for his own use until the arrival of his son William to the age of 21 years but it is my will and I desire that my four acres of woodland be not cut, felled or injured until the said William Goddard attains the age of twenty one years and when that event happens that it is my will and I give devise and bequeath the whole of my said real estate, house, buildings and woodland to Samuel Goddard my eldest Great Nephew to hold to him his heirs and assigns forever. But subject to and I *charge*^β the said real estate house buildings and woodlands with the real sum of five hundred pounds and direct that he shall raise and pay that sum to my other great nephew the said William Goddard and to Elizabeth Goddard his sister in equal proportions share and share alike. The share of the said Elizabeth Goddard to be paid to or secured for her sole use independent of any husband she may marry or of his debts or liabilities and in case the said Elizabeth Goddard shall die before the said William Goddard shall attain twenty one years of age without leaving lawful issue of her body then it give the said five hundred pounds to him for his sole use and benefit. But should the said William Goddard die before attaining the said twenty one years of age and without leaving lawful issue then it is my will that the said Elizabeth Goddard do take and I give to her the whole five hundred pounds to and for her own sole and separate use as aforesaid and in case they both die under twenty one years and without having lawful issue but if they have lawful issue such issue is to stand in the place of the deceased parent or parents And for want of such issue I direct that the said sum of five hundred pounds be not raised or payable and it is further my will and I direct that in case my great nephew Samuel Goddard should die before his brother William shall attain his majority without having lawful issue but in case of his having lawful issue such issue is to stand in the place of his or her deceased parent and for want of such issue Then I give devise and bequeath the said real estate equally between William Goddard and Elizabeth his sister in equal shares with benefit of survivorship and in case they should all die then I give the same to my own right heir for ever. I give to my said great nephew Samuel Goddard on his brothers coming of age the sum of nineteen guineas for his own use. I give all my wearing apparel between my said two great nephews. And as to all the rest and residue of my property land not *herebefore* disposed of whether consisting of monies household goods *linen china* or whatever else I give the same equally between the said William Goddard and Elizabeth his sister in equal shares and proportions on his attaining the age of twenty one years with benefit of survivorship in case of the death of either of them but if they shall both die without leaving lawful issue before he attains that age I give the same to my said Great Nephew Samuel Goddard for his own use and benefit. I direct that whatever monies I may leave in the Bank or public funds be not altered changed cashed or disposed of until my said Great Nephew William Goddard attains his said majority. I appoint my Nephew Harry Watts and my niece Mary Shrubshall executor and executrix of this my will and hereby give to them each fifty pounds for the trouble they will have in executing this my last will and testament x[≡] In witness where I have hereunto *set* my hand this seventeenth of May one thousand eight hundred and forty two ~ Samuel Goddard Sen of Bilsington near Ashford once of Broomhill near Lydd Kent ~ Signed. Published and declared by the said Samuel Goddard the testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his

^β 'charge' meaning a charge against the property, the bequest is conditional on this payment being made.

[≡] the 'x' indicates an insertion which is written in the margin but in such a small hand that it cannot be read even when magnified.

presence at his request and in the presence of each other do subscribe our names as witnesses. George Maplesden of Aldington, Carpenter. Henry Lucas(?) of Bilsington, Carpenter.

Whereas I Samuel Goddard of Bilsington, Kent farmer and gentleman do some time since purchase an annuity at St Clement & Sons Savings Bank on the life of Mary Shrubshall wife of John Shrubshall of Bilsington aforesaid savings of six pounds ten shillings per annum. Now I the said Samuel Goddard do so on this a codicil to my will give the said annuity to the said Mary Shrubshall for her own sole and separate use independent of her present or any future husband and direct that the said annuity shall not in be in *anyway* liable to the debts *control* or management of the said present or any future husband witness my hand this twenty fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty four ~ Samuel Goddard Sen ~ signed published and declared by the said Samuel Goddard as a codicil to this will in our presence all three being present at the same time. Wm Mason 1- ----- Place -----Inn Actuary ~ William Pointer Mason of same place Assistant Actuary

Whereas I Samuel Goddard said of Bilsington near Ashford Kent gentleman and farmer do make this a second codicil to my will which is signed and dated the 17th of May 1842. More I will and desire that all the money I may possess in the St Clements Bank for Savings Strand London save and except what may be required for purposes hereafter mentioned I do give all to my great niece Elizabeth Goddard when her brother William Goddard attains the age of 21 years for her sole separate use and benefit not subject to the control or liabilities of any husband she may hereafter marry. If she dies before her brother William Goddard comes of age without issue this money to be divided equally between her brothers Samuel and William Goddard or all to which of them may only be living without the other having issue and I will and desire that the five hundred pounds as stated in my will is not raised or procured but when William Goddard comes of age the time mentioned in my will for my four acres of wood to be cut down or felled and disposed to the best advantage now I desire that the produce of it may be divided into three equal shares for Samuel, Elizabeth and William Goddard or to whomever of them may outlive equally and I will desire that the nineteen guineas be not given to Samuel Goddard as mentioned in my will but I give the said nineteen guineas to my great niece Elizabeth Goddard besides her share as aforesaid from the produce of the sale of the wood and I now give devise and bequeath all my estate dwelling house, buildings, land and woodland and appurtenances not otherwise disposed of to my two great nephews Samuel and William Goddard or the survivor of them or to their sister Elizabeth Goddard if they should both die before William Goddard comes of age as stated in my will to have and hold the same forever to them their heirs or assigns share and share alike to sell, dispose of or keep the same in their possession singly or jointly as may suit or please them best. Now I will and desire that my said estate may be used or managed by my nephew Samuel Goddard or his assigns as stated in my will till his son William comes of age but not for his own use benefit or profit but for the entire benefit of my two great nephews Samuel and William Goddard and my great niece Elizabeth Goddard or the survivors of them equally share and share alike. Should I not have sufficient money on me at the time of my death to pay for my funeral and testamentary and the legacy to my

executor and executrix I will and desire that all that is wanted to pay the above said expenses more than I have by me may be taken from the money I may then have in the St. Clement Bank for savings but no more to be taken from the same than what is amply necessary for the above said purposes. My No. 3204 annuity of 66 pounds twelve shillings a year I purchased at the National debt office No.10 Old Jewry London in my own name Samuel Goddard, Broomhill near Lydd Kent. Dividends paid on the 5th of April and the 10th of October. I give all my wearing apparel to my two Great Nephews Samuel and William Goddard equally alike and all the rest and residue of my property not otherwise disposed of after my funeral and testamentary and all other incidental expenses are paid I give all the remainder whether consisting of money or household goods and every kind of stock crop or chattels or whatever else the said remainder may consist of I give the same between the aforesaid Samuel and Elizabeth and William Goddard in equal proportions share and share alike with the benefit of survivorship in case of the death of either of them In all other aspects on this and the other codicil I ratify and confirm my will which is as aforesaid. Signed and dated on the 17th of May 1842 witness my hand this twenty sixth day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty five signed published and declare by the said Samuel Goddard as a codicil to his will in our presence all three being present at the same time ~ Samuel Goddard Sen~ Wm Philpott of Aldington ~ George Stoakes of Aldington

Appeared personally William Mason of No. 18 Louis Clare Surious Inn in the county of Middlesex, Actuary of the Saint Clement Sands Savings Bank and William Philpott of Aldington in the county of Kent Grocer and ----- made oath as ----- and first the said William Mason for himself made oath that he is one of the attesting and subscribing witness to the first codicil to the last will and testament with two codicils thereto of Samuel Goddard formerly of Broomhill near Lydd and late of Bilsington both in the county of Kent aforesaid gentleman and farmer deceased. The said first codicil being now hereunto annexed bearing date the twenty fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty four and that on the day the said codicil bears date to wit on the twenty fourth day of April 1844 the said deceased subscribed his name at the foot or end of the same in presence of the ----- and of William ----- Mason his fellow subscribing witness who were both present at the same time and thereupon attested and subscribed the said codicil as witnesses in presence of the said deceased and the said William Philpott for himself made oath that he is one of the subscribing witnesses to the second codicil to the said will now also hereto annexed bearing date the twenty sixth day of July one thousand eight hundred forty five and that on the day the said second codicil bears date to wit on the twenty sixth day of July last the said testator second subscribed his name at the foot or end of the same in presence of the deponent and of George Stoakes his fellow subscribing witness who were both present at the same time and thereupon attested and subscribed the said codicil as witness in the presence of the deceased ~ Wm Mason ~Wm Philpott~ on the twenty fifth day of September 1845 the said William Philpott was duly sworn to the truth of this affidavit on virtue of the annexed commission before me Thomas Clarke commissioner on the thirtieth day of September 1845 the said William Mason was duly sworn to the truth of this affidavit before me Wm Robinson --- ----- C ----- Bedford ---

On the 18th October 1845 Admon (with the will and two codicils annexes of the goods chattels and credits of Samuel Goddard formerly of Broomhill near Lydd and late of Bilsington both in the county of Kent deceased was thanks to Samuel Goddard the natural and lawful father executor or guardian lawfully assigned to Samuel Goddard, Elizabeth Goddard, spinster and William Goddard minor the lawful great nephews and great niece and the *residuary legatees* named in the second codicil for the use and benefit of the said minors and until one of them shall attain the age of twenty one years he having been first sworn by commission only to administer. Henry Watts the nephew and Mary Shrubshall wife of John Shrubshall the niece the executors named in the said will having first witnessed the probate and execution of the said will and codicils.

(3. S4) Samuel Goddard 1811 – 1874

A baptism has not been found for Samuel. On his 1871 census, he gives his age as 60, implying a birth date of 1811.

His father is William Goddard, mother unknown; see [\(3. W3\)](#)

Samuel married Elizabeth Newman in Folkestone on 07 April 1833. Elizabeth was the daughter of William and Elizabeth Newman and was baptised in Folkestone 30 May 1813. Her father was a blacksmith. Samuel and Elizabeth Goddard had 3 children:

- Samuel Goddard was baptised in Bilsington 09 March 1834; his father recorded as a labourer. Samuel married Rachel Stokes on 22 October 1854 at Betersden. Samuel was a 20 year old labourer said to be resident at Chart. His father is given as Samuel Goddard, a farmer. Rachel was 17, a servant, resident at Betersden. Her father is given as John Stokes, labourer. Witnesses were John Stokes and Amelia Ann Stokes. Samuel and Rachel has a daughter Elizabeth born 23 Sept 1855, Bilsington (baptised 2 December 1855) and a son Young (aka William) born 18 September 1856 at Betersden. On 10 December 1856 the family sailed from Liverpool on the 'Monsoon' arriving in Adelaide, Australia 17 March 1857. Samuel's family is covered in more detail below.
- Elizabeth Goddard was baptised in Bilsington 10 April 1836. Her father is now noted as a farmer.
- William Goddard born 07 February 1838 in Bilsington and baptised at Mersham on 11 Mar 1838. He was buried in Bonnington 07 December 1845 at 7 years of age and was said to be from Bilsington.

Elizabeth Goddard, nee Newman, died of consumption in Folkestone on 14 November 1839. She was 26 years old and the certificate shows her as the wife of Samuel, a labourer. Present at the death at Rendezvous Street, Folkestone was Elizabeth Brice who signed the certificate with a mark.

Samuel married Jane Rayner in Ashford on 8 June 1840. The certificate states that Samuel is a widower of full age and a labourer living at East Stour, Ashford. His father is William Goddard, a labourer. Jane is a spinster of full age, living in East Stour, father Robert Rayner, also a labourer. Jane was baptised in Ruckinge 25 Aug 1822, the daughter of Robert Rayner and Ann Collins.

There were 9 children from this marriage.

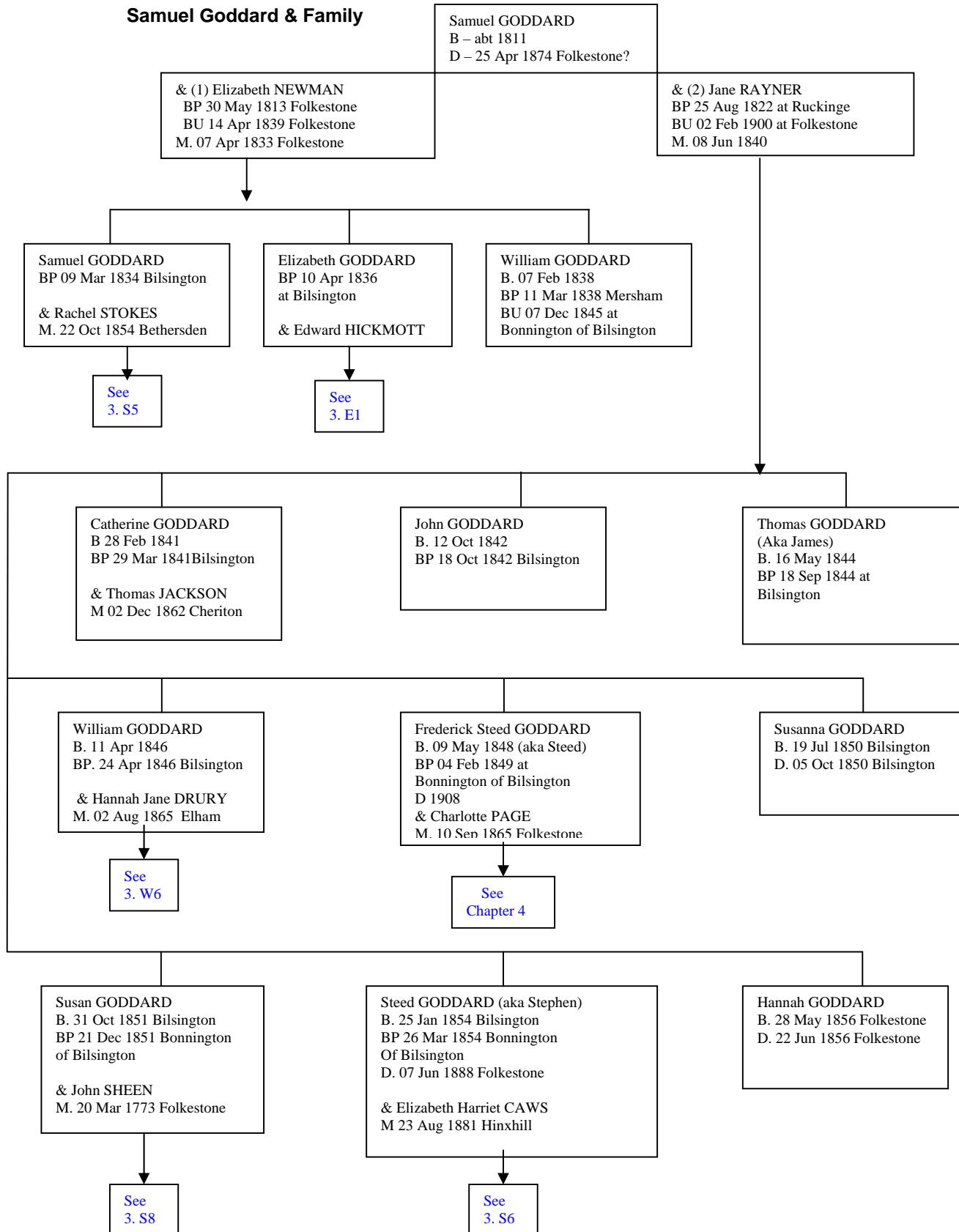
- Catherine Goddard was born in Bilsington 28 Feb 1841 and baptised in the same on 29 March 1841. The IGI holds a marriage record for 2 Dec 1862 to Thomas Jackson at Cheriton.
- John Goddard was born in Bilsington 12 October 1842 and baptised in the same on 18 October 1842.
- Thomas Goddard was born 16 May 1844 Bilsington. There is one James Goddard baptised 18 Sept 1844 in Bilsington of Samuel and Jane – is this the same child?
- William Goddard born 11 April 1846 in Bilsington and baptised on the 24 April 1846.
- Steed Goddard born 9 May 1848 in Bilsington but was baptised as Frederick Steed 04 February 1849 in Bonnington but of Bilsington. Frederick is found on the 1871 census living at 2 Cottage Back Berkeley Place in Folkestone. Living with him is his wife, the former Charlotte Ann Page, son Frederick age 5, and

daughter Elizabeth age 1 month. Daughter Elizabeth died as an infant in 1871.

Note that Frederick gives his place of birth as Folkestone and his age as 23 or 28.

- Susanna Goddard was born in Bilsington 19 Jul 1850. She only survived for 3 months. Her death is recorded as Susannah Goddard who died in Bilsington 05 October 1850 of natural causes.
- Susan Goddard born 31 Oct 1851 at Bilsington and baptised 21 December 1851 in Bonnington, of Bilsington. In 1871, Susan is living with her parents in Folkestone. She is unmarried, 20 years old and born Bilsington which does agreed with the baptism.
- Steed (Stede) Goddard born 25 Jan 1854 Bilsington. Squibs believes he became known as Stephen. He was baptised in Bonnington 26 March 1854 and said to be from Bilsington. Steed is not found on the 1871 census in Kent.
- Hannah 28 May 1856 Folkestone died Folkestone 22 June 1856.

Samuel Goddard & Family



In 1841, Samuel, and Jane his wife just 15 years old, are living with Samuel's uncle in Bilsington.

1841 Census Bilsington

Samuel Goddard, 63, farmer.

Samuel Goddard, 25, farm labourer.

Jane Goddard, 15.

Samuel Goddard, 7.

Elizabeth Goddard, 5.

William Goddard, 5.

Catherine Goddard, 3 months.

1851 census Bilsington

Samuel Goddard 42 born Capel-le Ferne

Jane Goddard 31 born Ruckinge

Catherine 10 Bilsington

John 8 Bilsington

Thomas 6 Bilsington

William 5 Bilsington

Frederick 3 Bilsington

Samuel Junior of the will isn't with them. Elizabeth of the will is a servant in Folkestone address 151 Bail Street aged 15 born Bilsington.

In the 1861 census, Samuel is living at 161 Bayle St., Folkestone. He is 50 years old, and a labourer born Folkestone. Jane is 40, born Ruckinge; William 15 born Bilsington; Frederick 13 born Bilsington; Susan 10, a scholar born Bilsington; Stephen 7, a scholar born Bilsington; Catherine 20, servant, born Bilsington.

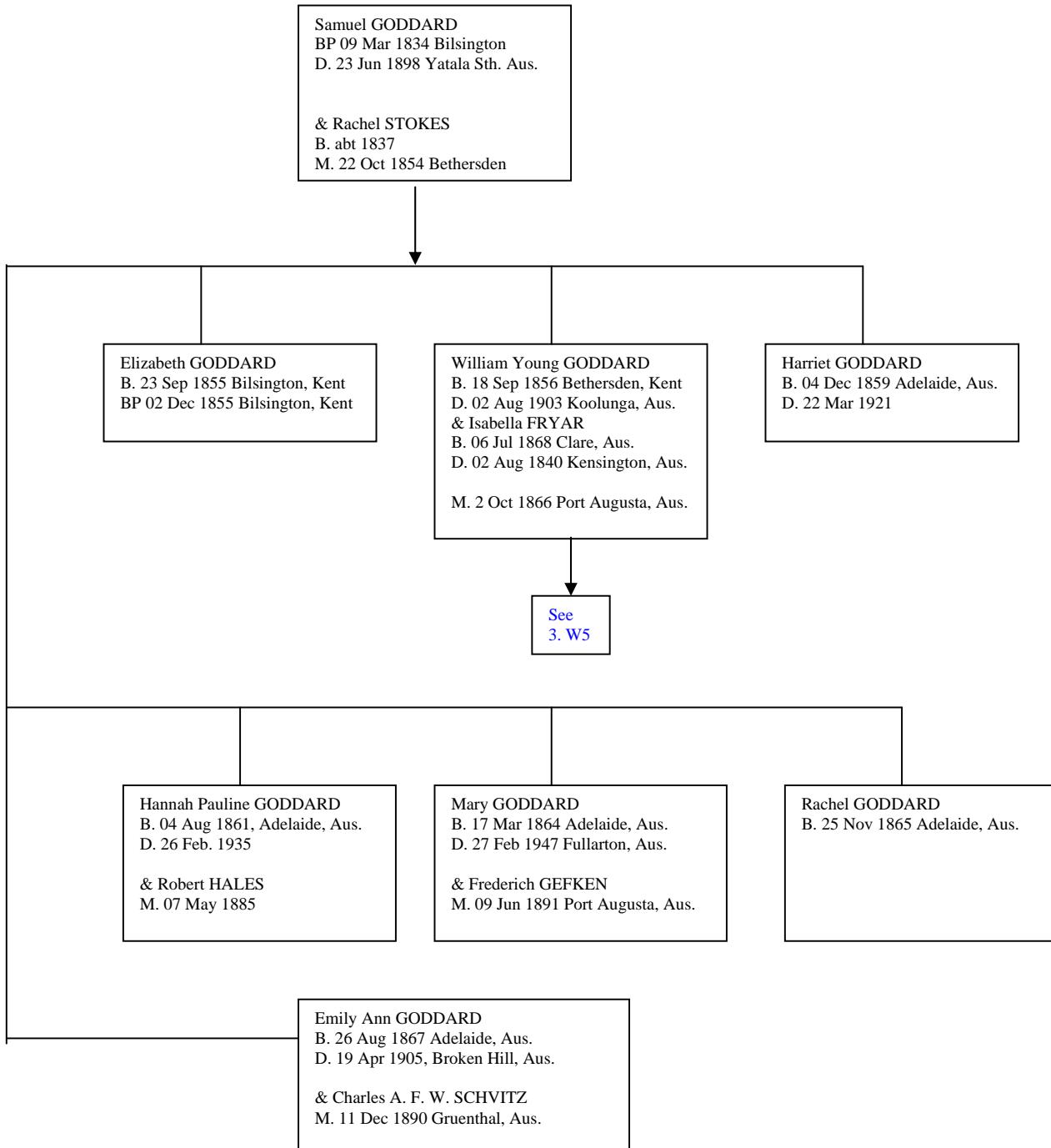
In the 1871 census, Samuel and Jane are found living at 1 Canterbury Road, Folkestone. Samuel gives his age as 60 and birthplace as Folkestone. He is a labourer. Living with him is wife Jane, age 48, born Hawkinge (son William, age 26, born Bilsington, a labourer; daughter Susan, age 20 born Bilsington; and grandson Samuel Goddard, age 5 born Folkestone).

Samuel died 25 April 1874 after a fall at home which fractured his skull.

Jane Goddard, widow of Samuel, died 02 February 1900 in Folkestone. Her certificate indicates she was 77 years old and was living with her son Frederick at 65 Foord Road, Folkestone. She died from heart disease.

(3. S5) Samuel Goddard 1834-1898

Samuel Goddard is the son of Samuel Goddard and Elizabeth Newman. He was baptised in Bilsington 09 March 1834; his father was recorded as a labourer; see (3. S4).



Samuel married Rachel Stokes on 22 October 1854 at Bethersden. Samuel was a 20 year old labourer said to be resident at Chart. His father is given as Samuel Goddard, a farmer. Rachel was 17, a servant, resident at Bethersden. Her father is given as John Stokes, labourer. Witnesses were John Stokes and Amelia Ann Stokes.

Samuel and Rachel had the following children:

- Elizabeth Goddard born 23 September 1855, Bilsington and baptised 2 December 1855.
- Young Goddard (aka William Young Goddard) was born 18 September 1856 at Bethersden, Kent. More information below.
- Harriet Goddard was born 04 December 1859 in Adelaide, Australia. Her death is recorded as 22 March 1921.
- Hannah Pauline Goddard was born 04 August 1861 at Adelaide, Australia. Her death is recorded as 26 February 1935. Hannah married Robert Hale 07 May 1885. The place of the marriage was not recorded and we have no record of children from the couple.
- Mary Goddard was born 17 March 1864 at Adelaide, Australia. Mary married Frederich Gefken 09 June 1881 at Port Augusta, Australia. Mary is recorded to have died 27 Feb 1947 at Fullarton, Australia. The couple are known to have had the following children:
 - William Frederich Gefken born 14 March 1882 at Port Augusta, Australia. He is recorded as having died 01 April 1947.
 - Rachel Margaret Gefken born 20 August 1883 at Port Augusta, Australia. She is recorded as having died 07 Jan 1962.
 - Emily Eva Gefken born 05 June 1885 at Port Augusta, Australia. She is recorded as having died 23 September 1956.
 - Amy Isabel Gefken born 28 Jan 1888 at Port Augusta, Australia. She is recorded as having died 19 September 1963.
 - Chloride Irene Gefken born 04 April 1891 at Port Augusta, Australia. She is recorded as having died 01 Feb 1962.
 - Ella Naomi Gefken born 24 February 1899 at Port Augusta, Australia. She is recorded as having died 24 February 1900.
- Rachel Goddard born 25 Nov 1865 in Adelaide, Australia.
- Emily Ann Goddard born 26 August 1867 in Adelaide, Australia. Emily married Charles August Frederick William Schwitz on 11 September 1890 in Gruenthal, South Australia. Emily is recorded as having died on 19 April 1905 at Broken Hill, NSW, Australia. The couple are known to have had the following children:
 - Arthur Ernest Kintore Schultz born 06 Jun 1891 at Broken Hill, NSW, Australia. He is recorded as having died 21 October 1950.
 - Albert Alexander Schultz born 17 May 1893 at Broken Hill, NSW, Australia. He is recorded as having died 16 April 1917.
 - Walter Herbert Schultz born 06 October 1895 at Broken Hill, NSW, Australia. He is recorded as having died 23 December 1955.

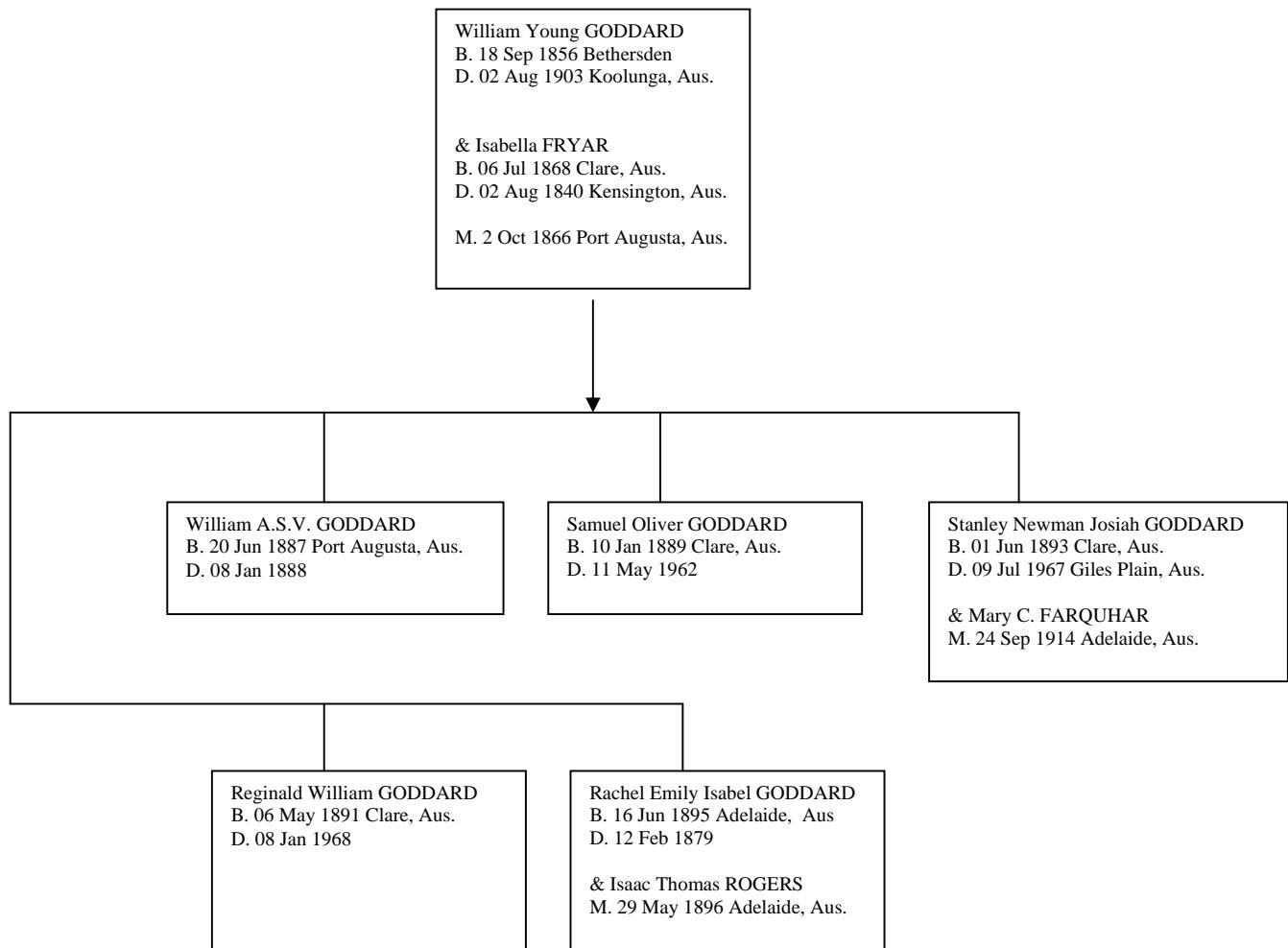
- George Samuel Schultz born 03 Jun 1898 at Broken Hill, NSW, Australia.
He died 01 December 1898.

On 10 December 1856, Samuel and Rachel along with their 2 children, Elizabeth and 3 month old William, sailed from Liverpool on the 'Monsoon' arriving in Adelaide, Australia 17 March 1857.

(3. W5) William Young Goddard 1856 – 1903

William Young Goddard, the son of Samuel and Rachel, was born in Bethersden, Kent in September 1856; see (3. S5). He immigrated to Australia with his parents in December 1856.

He married Isabella Fryar, the daughter of Joseph Fryar and Isabella Carey, on 2 Oct 1866 in Port Augusta, Australia.



They are known to have had at least 5 children.

- William Albert Stanley Victor Goddard born 20 June 1887 in Port Augusta, Australia. He is recorded as having died 08 Jan 1888.
- Reginald William Goddard born 06 May 1891 at Clare, Australia. Reginald is recorded as having died on 08 Jan 1888.

- Samuel Oliver Goddard born 10 Jan 1889 at Clare, Australia. He is recorded as having died 11 May 1962.
- Stanley Newman Josiah Goddard born 1 Jun 1893 at Clare, Australia. He died the 09 July 1967 at Giles Plain, Australia. He married Mary C. Farquhar in Adelaide on 24 September 1914.
- Rachel Emily Isabel Goddard born 1895 at Brinkworth, Adelaide, Australia. She is known to have married Isaac Thomas Rogers on 29 May 1896 at Goodwood, Adelaide, Australia. Rachel died 12 February 1879

(3. E1) Elizabeth Hickmott nee Goddard

Elizabeth is the daughter of Samuel Goddard and Elizabeth Newman; see (3. S4). She was baptised in Bilsington on 10 April 1836. Her mother died when she was about 3 years old and her father remarried shortly after.



Elizabeth Goddard married Edward Hickmott 04 September 1865 at Christ Church in Folkestone by banns.

Edward Hickmott was a 27 year old bachelor residing at Folkestone. He is noted as a carpenter. His father is given as Thomas Hickmott, farmer.

Elizabeth Goddard was a 19 year old spinster with an occupation of servant. She was also residing in Folkestone. Her father is given as Samuel Goddard, a labourer.

Witnesses to the marriage were Samuel Newman and Catherine Abbot.

Based on census information we have the following children from Elizabeth and Edward. They are all born in Folkestone.

- Mary Ann Hickmott born about 1855. If this is investigated further we might well find Mary Ann is the daughter of a first wife.
- Edward Hickmott born about 1857.
- Edgar A. Hickmott born about 1859.
- Elizabeth Hickmott born about 1861.
- Euda Hickmott born about 1864.
- Ellen Clara Hickmott born about 1866.
- Eugenie Hickmott born about 1870.
- Elgin Walter Hickmott born about 1873.
- Ernest Alfred Hickmott born about 1877.
- Possibly John Hickmott born about 1878.

In the **1851 census**, Elizabeth, age 15, is a servant at 151 Bail Street, Folkestone address. Her place of birth is confirmed as Bilsington.

In the **1871 census**, Elizabeth is living with her husband and children at 2 Grace Hill, Folkestone.

Edward Hickmott, head, age 43, carpenter, born Frittenden.

Elizabeth Hickmott, wife, age 39, born Bilsington.

Mary Ann Hickmott, daughter, age 16, born Folkestone.

Edward Hickmott, son, age 14, born Folkestone, baker.

Edgar A. Hickmott, son, age 12, born Folkestone, scholar.

Elizabeth Hickmott, daughter, age 10, born Folkestone, scholar.

Euda Hickmott, daughter, age 7, born Folkestone.

Ellen Hickmott, daughter, age 4, born Folkestone.

Eugenie Hickmott, daughter, age 1, born Folkestone.

In the **1881 census**, Elizabeth is living with her family at 4 Grace Hill, Folkestone.

Edward Hickmott, head, age 53, carpenter, born Folkestone, carpenter.

Elizabeth Hickmott, wife, age 49, born Bilsington.

Edward Hickmott, son, unmarried, age 24, born Folkestone, baker.

Ellen Clara Hickmott, daughter, age 15, born Folkestone.

Eugenie L. Hickmott, daughter, age 11, born Folkestone.

Elgin Walter Hickmott, son, age 8, born Folkestone, scholar.

Ernest Alfred Hickmott, son, age 4, born Folkestone.

In the **1891 census**, Elizabeth is still in Folkestone but now at Portland Place. Her husband is given as Ernest Hickmott but right age and occupation so either it is an enumerator error or Edward had a second or nick name. His birth place is Frittenden as per 1871 and that is probably correct.

Ernest Hickmott, head, age 63, born Frittenden, carpenter.

Elizabeth Hickmott, wife, age 55, born Bilsington.

Euginie Lily Hickmott, unmarried, age 20, born Folkestone.

Elgin Walter Hickmott, unmarried, age 18, grocer porter, born Folkestone.

Ernest Alfred Hickmott, age 14, born Folkestone, scholar.

1901 and Elizabeth is still at Portland Place, Folkestone but she is now widowed.

Elizabeth Hickmott, widow, age 65, laundress, born Bilsington.

Walter Hickmott, unmarried, age 27, bricklayer, born Folkestone.

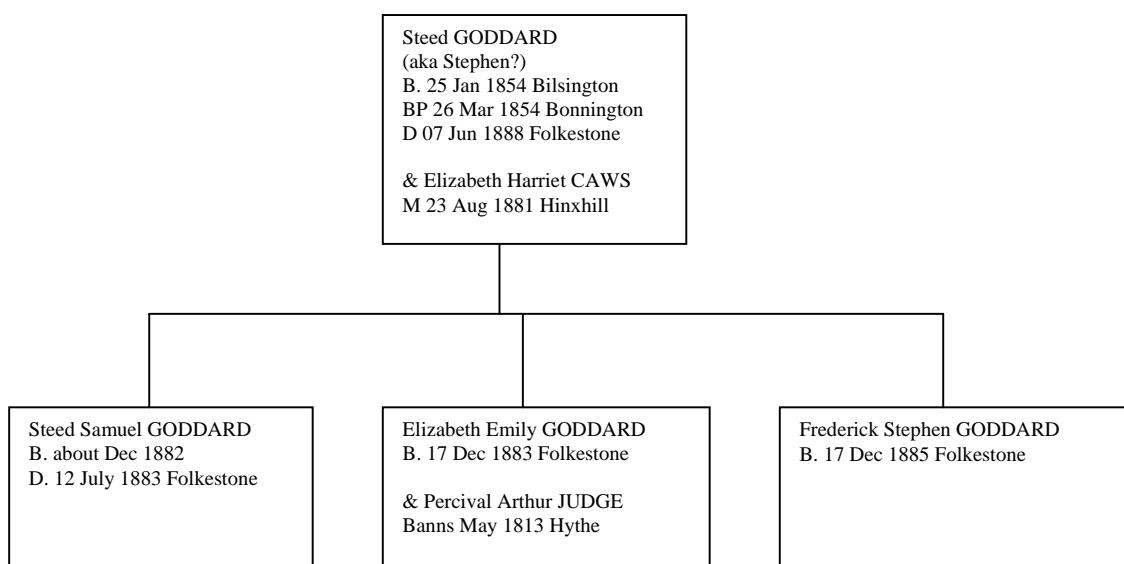
Alfred Hickmott, unmarried, age 24, bricklayer labourer, born Folkestone.

Louisa Frame, granddaughter, age 10, born Folkestone

(3. S6) Steed (Stephen) Goddard 1854 - 1888

Steed Goddard is the son of Samuel Goddard and Jane Rayner. He was born in Bilsington on 25 Jan 1854 and baptised at Bonnington on 26 Mar 1854; see (3. S4). Steed Goddard married Elizabeth Harriet Caws on the 23 Aug 1881 after Banns at Hinxhill Parish Church a few miles north of Mersham. Steed was noted as a 27 year old bachelor of Folkestone. He was said to be a mariner. His father is recorded as Samuel Goddard, a labourer. Elizabeth Harriet was a 22 year old spinster of Hinxhill. Her father was noted as George CAW a baker.

Witnesses at the marriage were W. Joxley and Harriet Stagg.



Children found from this marriage are:

- Steed Samuel Goddard. Steed junior died 12 July 1883 at 21 Queen Street, Folkestone at just 8 months old. He is recorded as the son of Steed Goddard, a mariner. His mother, recorded as E.H. Goddard, was present at the death. He died of Tubercular Meningitus which he is said to have had for 14 days. The doctor who signed the certificate was S. Eastes MRCS.
- Elizabeth Emily Goddard was born 17 December 1883 at 21 Queen Street, Folkestone. Her father is recorded as Steed Goddard, a mariner. Her mother is Elizabeth Harriet Goddard, formerly CAWS. Elizabeth registered the birth. Banns were read for the marriage of Elizabeth at St. Leonards, Hythe in May 1813. She married Percival Arthur Judge a bachelor of Hythe. Elizabeth was said to be a spinster of Cheriton, Folkestone.
- Frederick Stephen Goddard was born 17 December 1885 at 39 Bradstone Road, Folkestone. His father is recorded as Steed Goddard, a mariner. His mother is Elizabeth Harriet Goddard, formerly CAWS. Elizabeth registered the birth.

Steed Goddard died 07 June 1888 at Queen Street, Folkestone. He was just 34 years old and noted as a mariner on the death certificate. Death was caused by double pneumonia. The death was reported by Steed's brother Frederick (F.J. Goddard which should have been recorded as F. S.) was present at the time of death. Frederick's address is recorded as 65 Foord Road, Folkestone.

Elizabeth Harriet Goddard, widow of Steed Goddard, is recorded as marrying John Thompson in the 4th quarter 1890.

Elizabeth Thompson then has two children by John Thompson who are half brother/sister to Elizabeth and Frederick Goddard.

- Emily Thompson born 2nd quarter 1893 Folkestone.
- Henry Thompson born 1st quarter 1895 Folkestone.

1861 Census Folkestone

In the 1861 Census, Steed is recorded as Stephen which appears to be the name he was known as. He was 7 years old and living with his parents at 161 Bayle St., Folkestone. Samuel Goddard, head, age 50, a labourer born Folkestone.

Jane Goddard, wife, age 40, born Ruckinge.

William Goddard, son, age 15, born Bilsington.

Frederick Goddard, son, age 13, born Bilsington.

Susan Goddard, daughter, age 10, a scholar, born Bilsington.

Stephen Goddard, son, age 7, a scholar, born Bilsington.

Catherine Goddard, daughter, age 20, servant, born Bilsington.

I could not find Stephen or Steed Goddard on the 1871 census, possibly he is at sea.

1881 Census Folkestone

In the 1881 Census, Stephen / Steed is found living at 19 Queen Street, Folkestone with his sister Catherine and her husband as well as his widowed mother.

Thomas Jackson, head, married, age 38, a railway signalman born Stockport, Cheshire.

Catherine Jackson, wife, age 40, born Bilsington, Kent.

Jane Goddard, mother-in-law, widow, age 58, charwoman, born Ruckinge, Kent.

Stephen Goddard, brother-in-law, unmarried, age 27, mariner, born Bilsington, Kent.

Henry Townsend, boarder, unmarried, age 28, a railway signalman born Chiddingly, Sussex.

Harriet E Caws, age 23, is working as a general servant at 14, Bouverie Square, Folkestone. She is shown as born in Godshill, Isle of Wight. Harriet Stagg, a witness at Elizabeth's wedding a few months later, is also found at the same address. She is age 22, a domestic cook and shown as born in Thornbury, Gloucestershire.

1891 Census Folkestone

Stephen / Steed has not been found on the 1891 census, he died in 1888, but his children are there living with the Thompson family at 4 Bellevue Street, Folkestone. Elizabeth Thompson is in fact the widow of Stephen / Steed and she has remarried to John

Thompson. John and Maud Thompson must be children from John Thompson previous marriage.

John Thompson, head, age 29, a labourer born Seabrook Kent.

Elizabeth Thompson, wife, age 32, a dressmaker born Ryde, Isle of Wight.

John Thompson, son, age 8, scholar, born Folkestone.

Maud Thompson, daughter, age 5, scholar, born Folkestone.

Elizabeth Goddard, niece, age 8, scholar, born Folkestone.

Frederick Goddard, nephew, age 5, scholar, born Folkestone.

Jane Goddard, mother-in-law, widow, age 68, charwoman, born Ruckinge. Deaf.

Frances Pope, visitor, single, age 31, cook, born Lydd, Kent.

Florence Pope, visitor, age 11 months, born Elham, Kent.

Edwin Handford, brother, single, age 23, sailor, born Sevington, Kent.

1901 Census Cheriton

Steed's family is found living at 2 Whitby Road, Cheriton. Steed's widow Elizabeth has been widowed for a second time.

Elizabeth Thompson, head, widow, age 42, dressmaker and machinist, born Ryde, Isle of Wight.

Elizabeth Goddard, daughter, age 17, born Folkestone, Kent.

Fred Goddard, son, age 15 born Folkestone, Photographers Assistant.

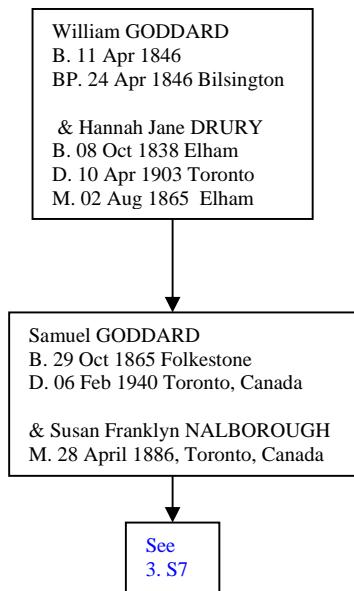
Emily Thompson, daughter, age 8, born Folkestone, Kent.

Henry Thompson, son, age 6, born Folkestone, Kent.

John Thompson, who in the 1891 census was shown as the 8 year old son of John Thompson, is now a soldier at Shorncliffe Camp, Cheriton & Sandgate. He is 19 years old.

(3. W6) William Goddard b. 1846

William is the son of Samuel Goddard and Jane Raynor. He was born in Bilsington 11 April 1846 and baptised on the 24 April 1846; see (3. S4).



William married Hannah Jane Drury on 2 August 1865 at the register office in the District of Elham, this probably implies Folkestone. Hannah's parents were Edward Drury and Jane Clarke. She was born the 8 October 1838 at Elham.

William was a 20 year old bachelor living at Beach Street, Folkestone, he gave his occupation as domestic servant. William's father is given as Samuel Goddard, a labourer. Hannah is a 25 year old spinster living at High Street Hythe and also gives her occupation as domestic servant. Her father is Edward Drury deceased whose occupation was a Farmer.

Witnesses were William Horn and William Lyon.

There is one known child for this marriage; Samuel, born 29 October 1865. At the time of his birth the family are living at 25 Bridge Street, Folkestone. The father, William Goddard, is noted as a Coachman, Domestic servant. The mother is Hannah Goddard, formerly Drury.

William's death has never been found. We last found him on the 1871 census. He is noted as married but his wife, Hannah, is not present. At the time of Hannah's death in 1903, she is noted as a widow so we know William died before this date. There is a strong probability that he immigrated to Canada with his wife Hannah and son Samuel. We do know for certain that Hannah and Samuel went to Canada.

William's descendants still live in Ontario and they have kindly provided us with further details of the family including the death of Hannah. She died on 10 April 1903, age 64, at 115 Agnes Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. She is noted as a widow and her birthplace is given as England. Cause of death was carcinoma uteri; duration 3 years and physician was Dr. Nevitt.♦

In the 1861 census, William is living at 161 Bayle St., Folkestone with his parents. Samuel Goddard, William's father, is 50 years old, and a labourer born Folkestone.

Jane Goddard is 40, born Ruckinge.

William Goddard 15 born Bilsington.

Frederick Goddard 13 born Bilsington.

Susan Goddard 10, a scholar born Bilsington.

Stephen Goddard 7, a scholar born Bilsington.

Catherine Goddard 20, servant, born Bilsington.

In the 1871 census, William and his son Samuel are found living at 1 Canterbury Road, Folkestone with his parents. William's wife, Hannah, is not present.

Samuel Goddard, head, 60, born Folkestone, a labourer.

Jane Goddard, wife, 48, born Hawkinge.

William Goddard, son, married, 26, born Bilsington, labourer.

Susan Goddard, daughter, age 20, born Bilsington.

Samuel Goddard, grandson, age 5, born Folkestone.

Note that Hannah is not with her family on the 1871 census. Has she already left for Canada?

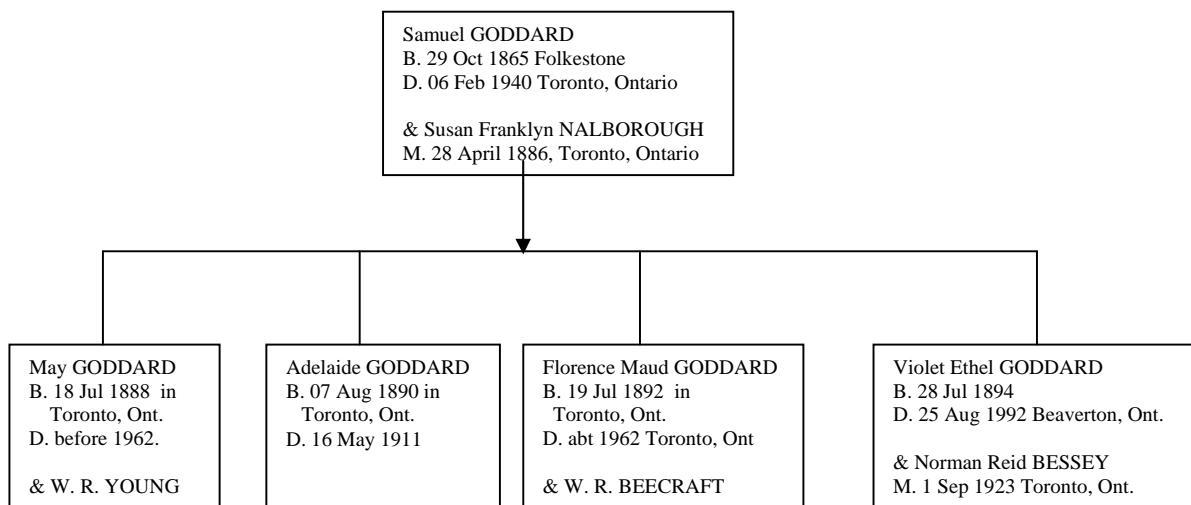
The family are not found on the 1881 census and it is presumed that they immigrated between 1871 and 1881.

♦ Source: V001D Archives of Ontario – Deaths: MS935/109 #2121 Toronto York County. Provided by Janet Bessey.

(3. S7) Samuel Goddard B. 1865

Samuel Goddard was born 29 October 1865 in Folkestone. He is the son of William Goddard and Hannah Jane Drury; see (3. W6).

Samuel and his mother (and father?) immigrated to Canada. It was there that Samuel Goddard married Susan Franklyn Nalbrough on April 28 1886 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.



Samuel and Susan had the following children.

- May Goddard born July 18th 1888 in Toronto. May married a man with the surname Young and had sons George and Robert Goddard Young. May died in Toronto before 1962.
- Adelaide Goddard was born 7 August 1890 and died 16 May 1911.
- Florence Maud Goddard was born 19 July 1892. She married a gentleman by the name of Beecraft. They had at least two sons, Wellesley Samuel Beecraft and William Franklin Beecraft. Florence died in Toronto about 1962.
- Violet Ethel Goddard was born 28 July 1894. Violet Goddard married Norman Reid Bessey in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on 1 September 1923. Violet died in Beaverton, Ontario on 25 August 1992. There were 3 children from this marriage:
 - William Norman Bessey was born 7 Aug 1924, in Detroit Michigan, USA. William married Janet Marianne Saul on 15 May 1959. William died 28 June 1987 in Toronto.
 - Calvin Burke Bessey was born 21 July 1926 in Detroit Michigan, USA. Calvin married Valerie Patricia Burns 26 November 1966. Calvin died 10 October 1996.
 - Lois Beverley Bessey was born 1 August 1928 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. She married Donald Lawrence Button on 7 February 1952.

Hannah, Samuel, Susan and Samuel and Susan's daughter Adelaide are buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery in Toronto.

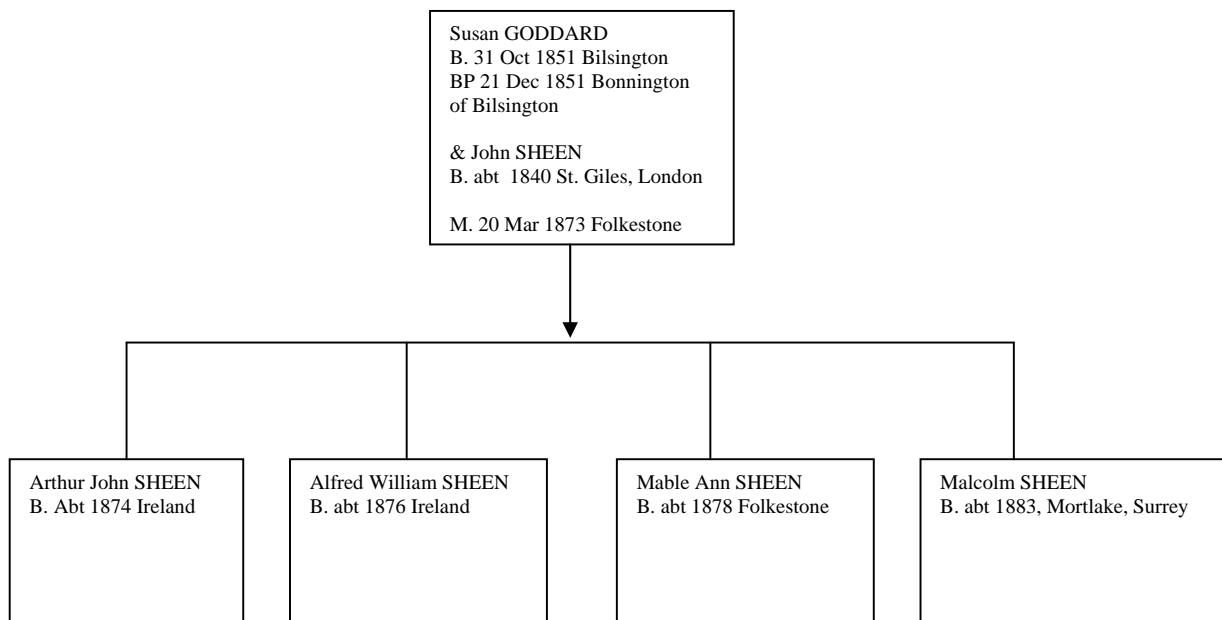
The Toronto Star newspaper reported in the deaths column on 6 February 1940 the following.

'Goddard, Samuel – at his home 203 Westmount Avenue, on Tuesday, February 6. Samuel dearly beloved husband of Susan Nalborough, father of Mrs. W. R. Young (May), Toronto: Mrs. W. R. Beecraft (Florence) of Gananoque: Mrs. W. N. Bessey (Violet), Toronto. Remains resting at Smith and Miller Funeral Parlors, 1695 St. Clair West. Service in the parlors on Thursday at 3:30 p.m. Interment Mount Pleasant Cemetery.' *

* Source: The Toronto Star – February 6, 1940 – Page 23 – Column 1, provided by Janet Bessey.

(3. S8) Susan Sheen nee Goddard B. 1851

Susan is the daughter of Samuel Goddard and Jane Rayner. She was born 31 October 1851 in Bilsington and baptised in Bonnington on 21 December 1851; see (3. S4). She married John Sheen 30 May 1873. John was 33 years old and a sergeant in the Royal Engineers.



1871 Census

Unable to locate the Sheen family, possibly they are in Ireland

1881 Census

John and Susan are resident at the 'School of Military Engineering', Brompton Barracks, Gillingham, Kent.

John Sheen, Head, married, age 42, Company Sergeant Major R.E., born London, Middlesex.

Susan Sheen, wife, age 29, born Folkestone Kent.

Arthur John Sheen, son, age 7, born Ireland.

Alfred William Sheen, son, age 5, born Ireland.

Mabel Ann Sheen, daughter, age 2, born Folkestone, Kent.

1891 Census

John and Susan are found living at 12 Castlegate Lower Road, Richmond, Surrey.

John Sheen, head, married, age 50, Army Pensioner, born St. Giles, London.

Susan Sheen, wife, age 39, born Aldington, Kent.

Alfred W. Sheen, son, age 15, single, Errand boy, born Dublin Ireland..

Mabel A. Sheen, daughter, age 11, born Folkestone, scholar.

Malcolm E. Sheen, son, age 8, single, born Mortlake, Surrey, scholar.

1901 Census

John and Susan Sheen are living at 139 Sandycombe Road, North Sheen, Surrey.

John Sheen, head, married, age 61, Plasterer, Army Pensioner, born St. Giles, London.

Susan Sheen, wife, age 49, charwoman, born Aldington, Kent.

Alfred William Sheen, son, age 25, single, Dyer, born Dublin Richmond Barracks.

Mabel Ann Sheen, daughter, age 22, born Folkestone, occupation unreadable,
something provisions.

Malcolm Edward Sheen, son, age 18, single, born Richmond, Surrey, Compositor
(Print).

Susan Sheen (nee Goddard) was the sister of Frederick Steed Goddard. In a letter written by Charlotte Goddard (wife of Frederick) to her son Bertram Goddard in America, Charlotte finishes by saying '4 years ago today 14th February Alf Sheen died'. The letter was written about 1921.