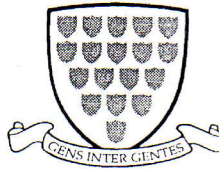


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Dear Mrs Hillier,

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I see from the Newsletter that you have joined the Goddard Association, but your details have not reached me yet. However they are in the Newsletter -so this is what we have in the files:

There is a tomb in Kintbury churchyard, between Newbury and Hungerford, which read

*In loving memory of Emily, daughter of W.H. Goddard of Parsonage Farm, Iver, Bucks, who died April 21<sup>st</sup> 1902 aged 69 years*

*Also of Ann Weston beloved wife of the late Walter Weston of St John's Wood and sister of Emily Goddard, born 17<sup>th</sup> March 1842, died 19 February 1926.*

The late Professor Laurence Goddard of Bannerbriggs, Barbon, Carnforth, Lancs., LA26 2LJ gave me the following information in 1993

“Great Grandfather George Goddard and his wife Eliza and four children under 10 left London in August 1852 for Sydney, Australia, which they reached in time for Christmas.”

The diary of the sea journey has been edited by Miss Diana Goddard and a copy is with us here.

Laurence was a grandson of William Reuben Goddard, one of the sons of George Goddard. George was born in about 1902 in Letcombe Regis (just outside Wantage) the son of Thomas Goddard (brother) and his wife Mary, nee Castle.

Thomas had a brother, William Henry Goddard, who was a farmer at Iver, Bucks. and two of whose daughters are buried at Kintbury.

Prof. Laurence's widow, Joan, wrote in 2000 to say that she was continuing the research into the family and that one of William Henry's children, Sarah, married and went to New Zealand. Mrs Goddard was still in touch with that family and visited them in 1989. She is still a member of the GAE and I am sure would welcome a letter.

Prof. Laurence was intent on establishing that the Goddards of Iver were descended from the Goddards who held Canterton Manor, outside Southampton. I enclose a copy of some of his findings. There is more which I will send copies of if you are interested.

In the 1881 census at Grove, which is just north of Wantage, in Berks., not in Bucks. the following lived

Mary Ann Goddard aged 38, a widow, employed as a washerwoman. Born in Grove.



her children Eliza A (11), Oliver (6) and Walter (5) lived with her.

In Iver, Bucks. lived

William Henry Goddard, widower, aged 67 Farmer of 135 acres born Grove, Berkshire.

His unmarried daughter, Emily aged 37 lived with him

and his grand daughter Jane, aged 4, and born in Woodside, Surrey was staying at the farm.

I enclose copies of some of our other information about the family.

I was also contacted by Mr Robert Merchant of 19 Cheriton Close, Queen's Walk, Ealing, London W5 1TR in 1995 who was also interested in the Goddards of Grove and Iver. You could try writing to him in the hope that he is still living there.

Do come back to me with your queries as I do have further information.

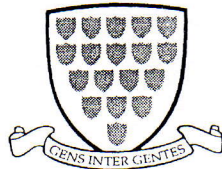
Yours sincerely,

(Mrs) Julie Goddard

Research Co-ordinator

Enc. "Goddards at Iver" and "Children of Thomas and Anne"

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Dear Mrs Goddard,

I believe that you have written to our new member, Mrs P. Hillier, who is also descended from the Goddards of Iver as was your late husband.

Another new member, Mrs C. Knight, contacted me in November to claim the photographs of William and Oliver Goddard, sons of William Goddard of Wantage as belonging to her family. As Letcombe Regis is just outside Wantage and both families used the name Reuben, I wondered if there was any connection.

I tried to make a family tree from the bits and pieces of the family history which you have given me over the years, but I find I have quite a few missing links. I wonder if there is any way in which you could make a copy for me of the tree which your husband compiled. I am especially interested in which George Goddard farmed at Letcombe Regis.

Hoping I am not asking too much,

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs) Julie Goddard

Research Co-ordinator



*(wd of Laurence)*

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### Goddards of Iver and Letcombe Regis

I enclose photocopies of all we were able to discover about the Goddards of Iver and Letcombe Regis.

I also have a note that your husband was the grandson of William Reuben Goddard, one of the sons of George Goddard who farmed at Letcombe Regis. I recall that my husband and I visited the village but found no clues in the churchyard, but I cannot remember if we checked the parish registers for the village; probably not as we visit Berkshire Record Office only very reluctantly and infrequently. At this moment the B.R.O. is in the process of moving from one building to another and the records are unavailable at present.

Please get in touch with me if I have misunderstood your enquiry, or if you want further information.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J.R.Goddard  
Research Co-ordinator

*See also Kintbury file*

THE CHILDREN OF THOMAS & ANNE (nee WESTON) GODDARD

JANE (Hobden)	born 17 May 1876	died 14 October 1952	
MAY	born 1877	died 1895	
JOHN	born 1878	died 23 March 1941	Joan. Robert Richard.
MAUDE (Weston)	born 9 March 1879	died 1945	Maude. Emily. Frank
"Fairdene", Farthing Downs, Coulsdon. Surrey. & then Noswills Farm, Caterham, Surrey.			
HENRY	born 1880	died 28 January 1948	
"The Welcomes" Farthing Downs later at "The Old Windmill" Old Coulsdon, Surrey.			
CHARLOTTE	born 1881	died ??	
THOMAS	born 28 April 1883	died 15 June 1959	Thomas William 3-10-08 to 15-7-87.
26, Portnalls Close. Coulsdon & 51, Wilton Rd. Bexhill. Sussex.			
MARY ANN (Edgell)	born 2 October 1884	died ??	Muriel. Roland. Leslie.
"Norfolk House", High Street, Caterham, Surrey.			
MINNIE	born 13 October 1885	died 1965	
74, Downs Court Road, Purley, Surrey.			
ELLEN SARAH (Johnson)	born 4 May 1886	died 22 February 1945	Alan. Robert.
70, Chichester Road, Seaford, Sussex.			

Home of the above family initially was, until the move to Surrey

"Parsonage Farm"

Church Lane,

IVER, Buckinghamshire.

known today as:-

Heat House Arabian Stud Farm.

Prior to the family move to the above farm the previous home was:-

from 1560 until 1730 Canterton Manor

Nr. Cadnam Southampton.

Thomas GODDARD acquired the Lordship of the Manor of Canterton in 1560 at the same time

David GODDARD acquired the Lordships of the Manor of Brook & Bramshaw being adjoining properties Near Cadnam, Southampton. This estate went to a London lawyer to pay off debts of £9,000 in the year 1703.

## GODDARDS AT IVER, BUCKS

1851 census

Round Farm, Love Green

Will H. Goddard married 38 yrs old Born Grove, Bucks Employs 1 drillman  
Mary Ann Goddard wife 37 yrs Born Iver  
Children: Jane 15, Thomas 11, Ann 10, Emily 8, Sarah 6, George 4, all born  
at Iver.  
Mary Goddard Widow 67 yrs Mother Born Letcomb Regis, Berks.  
Caroline Goddard Unmarried 28 yrs Sister Born Longcote, Berks.

In Iver Churchyard

Mary Ann Goddard wife of Will Henry Goddard died 18.8.1886 aged 66yrs  
Will Henry Goddard died 23.10.1882 aged 68 yrs  
Mary daughter of the above died 17.3.1851 aged 14 yrs  
Also Lillian child of Elisha and Sarah Rose died 5.4.1879 niece of the above  
aged 18 yrs.

Coffin stone

Thomas Goddard born 14.4.1839 died 17.1.1892  
Nb No record of any Rose family living at Iver

Kellys Directory 1863

William Henry Goddard at Parsonage farm (144 acres)

School registers (not complete) Iver village 1880s

John son of Thomas Goddard born 3.3.1877 living Parsonage Farm previous  
school Slough.

Parsonage Farm is on the edge of Iver, near Langley station. 1 train stop  
to Slough school while Iver school is some distance away.

Nothing about Goddards in parish magazine 1890-1915 but List of voters 1918  
for Iver has:

John Goddard, Arthur George Goddard, James Henry Goddard had the vote as  
'Serving service men' home address 12, Meads Cottages, Mansion Lane, Iver

Iver War memorial

Goddard, Henry RN killed ..... difficult to tell if first or second world  
war.

## INFORMATION ON IVER, BUCKS

### 1851 census of IVER, BUCKS

Round Farm, Love Green

Will H. Goddard M 38 yrs Born Grove, Bucks  
Framer of 33 acres 2 men, 2 boys, 1 drill man

Mary Ann wife 37 yrs Born Iver

Jane 15, Thomas 11, Ann 10, Emily 8, Sarah 6, George 4 - all born in Iver

### IVER CHURCHYARD

Mary Ann <sup>or wife</sup> widow of Will Henry Goddard died 18.8. 1886 66 years  
Will Henry Goddard died 23.10.1882 68 years

Mary daughter of the above died 17.3.1851 14 years [just before the census]

Lilian child of Elisha & Sarah Rose, niece of the above died 5.4.1879 18 years

Coffin stone

Thomas Goddard Born 14.4.1839 Died 17.1.1892

### Kellys Directory for 1863

Will Henry Goddard at Parsonage farm 144 acres  
[In 1851 Parsonage Farm was lived in or rented by the Weatherleys]

### Iver Village School records (incomplete)

John son of Thomas Goddard born 3.3.1877 living at Parsonage farm - previous school was in Slough.

Parsonage Farm is on the edge of Iver, near Langley Station. It is one traain stop to Slough School, while Iver School is further away.

### List of voters at Iver in 1918

John, Arthur George and James Henry Goddard had service mens votes. Their home address was given as 12 Meads Cottages, Mansion Lane, Iver.  
The cottages were owned by the Meads brickworks.  
No parents name given.

### War Memorial at Iver

GODDARD, Henry RN (Difficult to read whether first or second world war).

### Kellys Directory 1935

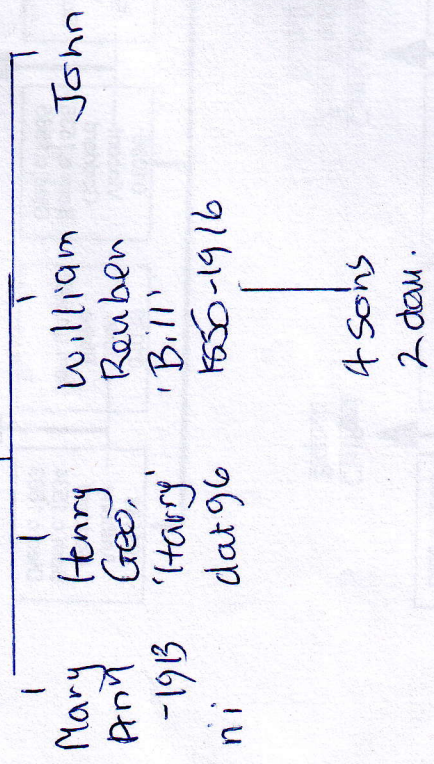
Goddard, Capt. Richard Henry of Hornecliffe, Datchet  
No Goddards at Iver

Goddard, H & sons House furnisher 65 William Street, Slough  
Goddard, Robert Furniture dealer 38 Herschel St, Slough

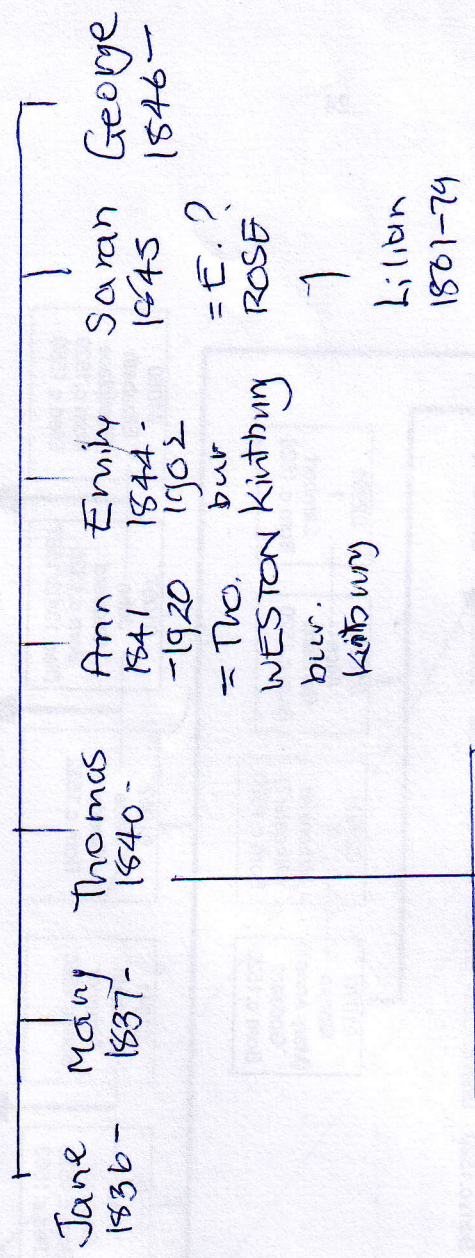
Information, unverified, sent to us by Mrs P. Chadwell, 81 Parlaunt Rd., Langley, Slough, SL3 8BE in 1986

Thomas ?  
183.  
= Mary CASTLE

George 1815-95  
= Elizabeth  
To Oz 1852



William - 1814-82  
= Mary Ann 1814-~~82~~  
Farmed at Iver



Rough tree.

1881 Census

Banks, Grove

Mary Ann 38 Widow Washwoodman  
D. Grove

Eliza A 11

Owen 6

Walter 5

Bucks Iver

William H 67 widower

etc

Emily U 37 dau

Jane 4 grand dau b. Woodside  
Surrey

1881 CENSUS OF BUCKS

**Goddards at Iver**

Emily aged 37 unmarried Farmer's daughter Lives with William H. Goddard Born at Iver

Jane aged 4 Grand daughter of William H. Goddard born Surrey, Woodside

William H Goddard aged 67 Farmer of 135 acres Born in Grove, Berks

Query: where was Mary Ann Goddard? According to the reading we have of the gravestone in the churchyard she was still alive.

Kintbury Churchyard, Berks

IN LOVING MEMORY OF EMILY DAUGHTER OF W H GODDARD OF PARSONAGE FARM IVER BUCKS WHO DIED APR 21ST 1902 AGED 69 YEARS

"She hath done what she could"

ALSO OF ANN WESTON BELOVED WIFE OF THE LATE WALTER WESTON OF ST JOHNS WOOD & SISTER OF EMILY GODDARD BORN 17 MARCH 1842 DIED 19 FEB 1926

"Peace perfect peace"

**Billings directory of the counties of England - Berks 1854**

Entries of Goddards for Kintbury

**John Goddard**, farmer, Holt Manor Farm

**Richard Goddard**, farmer, Templeton House [These married into the Lidderdale family of builders]

**James Goddard**, beer retailer

March 30<sup>th</sup>

Dear Mrs Goddard,

Thank you for your letter asking for a copy of the family tree I made, with special reference to George.

I'm afraid our George was only born at Larcumbe Regis but we do not think he ever farmed there. He emigrated to Australia in 1852.

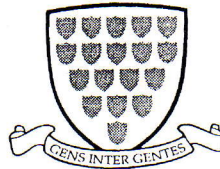
I've made out the tree so that you can see the relationship between our branch and that of Pat Hillier. I hope it is of help in your research.

We are finding it very difficult to get back beyond Thomas. Do you have any information that could help

Best wishes,

Joan

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Thank you for your letter and the family tree as far as you have verified it. I had mistakenly understood from correspondence with your husband in the 1990s that you were exploring a connection with the Goddards of Bramshaw in Hampshire.

I would suggest that George Goddard was born at Letcombe Regis because his mother, Mary Castle, came from there and mothers used to go home to their mothers to have their firstborn – a wise move before doctors and midwives and the NHS. This leaves the problem of Thomas Goddard's origins. I think that there are several avenues for exploration:

Have you examined the originals of the Letcombe Regis registers? Occasionally there are notes and further information in the registers which are not recorded when official lists are made ie the IGI and transcriptions of registers. With luck you might find Thomas and Mary's marriage in the Letcombe registers with a mention of where Thomas came from. Unfortunately, the marriage having taken place before 1837 there will be no marriage certificate as we know it.

Did Thomas leave a will? Did Mary leave a will? Or did any of the children leave a will – apart from William Henry about whom we know.

Spotting the name "Reuben" in the family I examined whether the family were related to the Goddard family in Wantage, which also used the name. However, the descendant of this family who is a member of GAE says there is not connection that she can find.

I hope that you and Pat Hillier can find out more about your Goddard family. My husbands family of Goddards is no relation at all as far as we know (he can trace back to 1807 in Bentley in Hampshire). I keep in contact with all the Goddards in the Association as Research Co-ordinator.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Goddard



## WANTAGE, BERKSHIRE

A friend of the Goddard Association, Noel Drewe of Hemel Hempstead, has very kindly given me a copy of *Wantage, Looking Back* by Irene Hancock in the *Images of England* series. On page 29 is the reproduction of a trade card of 'Goddard & Sons, Fish, Fruit and Potato Merchants and Commission Agents. Fruit of all kinds in Season'. A note underneath says that it belongs to A. Goddard & Sons, 1914. Mr & Mrs A. Goddard obviously thought their sons would be involved in the family business, but after the Great War the advertisement read 'Goddard & Son'. Two sons, Oliver and Reuben, were killed during the conflict, leaving a "devastated and bereft family".

A photograph below the trade card shows members of the Berkshire Yeomanry relaxing at Patcham Camp in 1913; Oliver Goddard is shown easing his sore feet in a bowl of water. A search through the records shows that Oliver George Goddard, a Lance Corporal in the Berkshire Yeomanry and son of Albert and Robina Goddard of 28 Mill Street, Wantage, was killed in action in Gallipoli on 21 August 1915 aged 21. And his brother, Private Reuben Goddard, 6th Battalion Oxford and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, formerly Queens Own Hussars, born in Wantage, was killed in action on the Somme in France on 7 October 1916. The book may be borrowed from Julie at Newbury. *Julie of Newbury*

## CHILTON CHURCH RECORDS

Miss Kate Crennell is making a study of the parish records and monumental inscriptions of Chilton, north of Newbury, and has sent me the names of Goddards from the records. She says that a former Rector burnt most of the parish records, including a Burial Register, and records are having to be reconstructed from the Bishop's transcripts (copies sent annually to the Bishop of parish records and kept in the diocesan archives if they have survived). There is a house called "The Goddards" in Church Street, Chilton and a strong Goddard presence in the churchyard. Miss Crennell is preparing a CD of the memorials and wants to add a little family history where she can. Further details from Julie of Newbury.

## GABRIELLA GODDARD

No, I had not heard of this Goddard either, until my elder daughter mentioned her to me. Originally from New Zealand, she lived and worked for fifteen years in France, Japan, Mexico, Brazil and the United States, before settling in London. She is clearly a leading authority on personal and company branding – making the ordinary stand out from the crowd. She has appeared on the media, often writes in various magazines and speaks regularly at major gatherings. Perhaps other members may know more about her?

## AEROBICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Proud parents Malcolm and Lesley of Brisbane have been supporting eldest daughter Lucy at the Queensland State Aerobics Championship in Brisbane in June. Lucy is in her school team, which came first in two divisions thus winning two gold medals, and so are now State Champions. She is now going on to the Nationals in Adelaide on 21 and 22 August. And sisters Ellen and Bridget have not been idle either. Ellen has taken her Grade 2 Ballet Exam, and Bridget is performing well on the netball court.

## WINCHCOMBE MEMORIAL

Brian and I were looking round the little museum at Winchcombe, Gloucestershire, recently and found the following in the list of burials in St Peter's churchyard which they have compiled. "In memory of Ann Phillips and Joice Goddard, grandmothers to the present John Phillips of Greet. Likewise Susanna Phillips, his mother, was buried ye 11 day of March 1721 aged 56 years." A graceful tribute to the women in his family!

*Julie of Newbury*

## HUNCOAT UNCOATED

Membership Secretary John of Accrington actually lives in Huncoat (the 'H' is silent), now more or less a suburb of Accrington, and he has just written a short history of the village under the above title. Produced by Landy Publishing, its price is £7 and it is obtainable from them at 3 Staining Rise, Staining, Blackpool, FY3 0BU. The book includes chapters on farming life, transport, industry and religion, and is copiously illustrated.

## ISABELLA GODDARD

Ray Mears "Survival" programme on BBC2 on 23rd September 2004 featured a trek through the Amazonian jungle of Venezuela by Isabella, who was trying to find her long lost husband. Unfortunately my daughter phoned to tell me of the programme when it was half way through, her husband wanting her and me to watch as it showed his native Venezuela; in consequence I missed the first half of the programme. Can any member tell me about Isabella and how she came to be parted from her husband? And is anyone related to her?

*Julie of Newbury*

## EMIGRATION

Newsletter 67 featured the Goddards from Coventry, Paul and Julie with children Zöe and Sam now aged 11 and 4, who in May 2003 were subject of a TV documentary tracing their emigration to New Zealand. A year later they were back in Coventry promoting a book of their experiences *A New Life in New Zealand* published by HowtoBooks at £9.99. Julie said that it was lovely to be back, but that they were looking forward to returning to New Zealand where they had settled in really well.

THE CHILDREN OF THOMAS & ANNE GODDARD (nee WESTON)

**Jane** (Hobden) born 17 May 1876 died 14 October 1952

**May** born 1877 died 1895

**John** born 1878 died 23 March 1941

children - Joan, Robert, Richard

**Maude** (Weston) born 9 March 1879 died 1945

children - Maude, Emily, Frank

lived at Coulsdon & Caterham

**Henry** born 1880 Died 28 January 1948 at Coulsdon

**Charlotte** born 1881 Died ??

**Thomas** born 28 April 1883 Died 15 June 1959

son Thomas Henry ( 1908-1987)

lived in Coulsdon Died in Bexhill

**Mary Ann** (~~Rignall~~) born 2 Oct 1884 Died ???

Rignall

children- Muriel, Roland, Leslie

**Minnie** born 13 Oct 1885 Died 1965 in Purley

**Ellen Sarah** (Johnson) born 4 May 1886 died 22 Feb 1945 in Seaford, Sussex

children - Alan, Robert

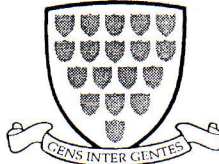
Family lived at "Parsonage Farm", Church Lane, Iver, Bucks which is now known as "Moat House Arabian Farm Stud". Family moved from Iver to Surrey.

Previous to living at Parsonage Farm the family are said to have lived at Canterton Manor, near Cadnam, Southampton from 1560 to 1730.

The above information is from Mr G.S.Goddard whose last known address was "Winter Stables, Lockerley Hall, Lockerley, Romsey, Hants". Last heard of in 1994 and is still a member.

We have a lot of information on the Goddards who lived at Canterton Manor from 1560 to 1730, but so far the connection with the Iver family has not been proved by documentary evidence.

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Dear Mrs Knight,

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You wrote to me last November concerning the book on Wantage which had photographs of the Goddard shop and I sent you the book. Don't worry I am not about to ask for it back!

However, I have been doing some research with Goddards who are descended from farmers at Iver, Buckinghamshire. Some of the family farmed also at Letcombe Regis and used the fairly unusual first name of Reuben, as did your Wantage family.

William Reuben Goddard (1850-1916) was one of the sons of George Goddard (1815-1895) who took his family to New Zealand in 1852. George's brother, William Henry Goddard (1814-1882) remained in England, farming at Parsonage Farm, Iver.

I am at the moment unclear as to which of this large family farmed at Letcombe Regis and will have to contact the family and clear the matter up, but the coincidence of the name has made me contact you in case there is a connection.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Goddard  
Research Co-ordinator

No connection  
20.3.05



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