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Dear Mrs Goddard,

In reply to your letter of 5 Sep re the CHURCHER family, I'm afraid my information to date is very limited. My 5x Great Grandmother, Mary CHURCHER, married James PHILPOTT at Hursley on 17.10.1768, and although I have noted many other CHURCHERS from the registers, I have not yet had time to formulate a chart. However, they are not (so far!) in the Winchester registers, nor have I noted a Fanny or Frances amongst them.

I am so sorry that I cannot help you at present, but I shall certainly keep your letter on file in case I come across a connection at some time in

the future.

Very best wishes in your researches.

Yours sincerely,
Brenda Rogers.

26-2-1998



Dear Mrs Goddard,

Are you still tracing the Goddards of your husband's family - if so I found the following recently whilst re-searching the 1841 census of Titchfield which appears to connect the Goddard family to my Reeds.

1841 census Baigens Green - Salisbury + Swanick - Titchfield.

Ann Reed 60 (on own when census was taken) she was my 3x great grandmother.

next house John Goddard 26 Harriett 27 Keturah 4
Charles 6 Matilda 5 William 2 Frederick 1

next house Reed family

next house John Reed 35 William 7 David 5
Susan 4 George 2. John's wife Susannah not at home when the census was taken and not known where she was then.

1871 census Baigens Green.

John Reed wid 66 Keturah Osman niece
man 34 James niece son 3 Frank niece
son 4 mths.

It would appear by this that John Goddard's wife Harriett was John Reed's sister.

The burials of Sarisbury and Swanick
registered at Titchfield

Goddard Ellen of Baigens Green	17 mths	14 July	1849
Reed Caleb Charles	3 years	15 ..	1849
Goddard Mary Ann	5 ..	15 ..	1849
" Frederick	9 ..	21 ..	1849
Reed David James	14 ..	22 ..	1849
Goddard Samuel	7 2 Aug	2 Aug	1849

I wonder if they all died of Cholera.

The two families were obviously
very close.

yours sincerely

J M M Lowell

4th March 1998

Dear Mrs Lovell,

How kind of you to write with more information about the Titchfield Goddards. I must confess that we still haven't been down to the Record Office in Winchester to check out the last information you sent. I had good intentions but last year seemed to fly by and the only visit we paid to Winchester was a very quick one - even quicker than we had expected as I bent down, twisted my back and had to walk back to the car bent nearly double!

We were contacted in the summer by a Peter Goddard who lives in Canada. He can trace his ancestry back to a Richard Goddard, who we say was brother to Thomas Goddard, my husbands ancestor, as there were definitely a Thomas and a Richard Goddard brothers born in Winchester at the right time. However he is not convinced. If he eventually makes his mind up he will then perhaps progress backward to Thomas and Richard's father, James Goddard, who married Fanny Churcher at Botley, and would be the connection with your family. Peter is on the Internet and claims great things for it. Perhaps it can solve where James came from to Botley.

You are probably correct in thinking that they died in the cholera epidemic of 1849. I did some research for an article on the epidemic of 1831/2 and I see that I finished it with "the Government sighed with relief and organised service of Thanksgiving for Sunday April 14. It was in fact a thanksgiving for deliverance until the next visitation - which came all too soon in 1848/9". Those were uncertain times.

Thank you again

Yours sincerely,

Julie Goddard

LEVI GODDARD

MY GTGTGT GRANDFATHER WHICH FAMILY - CAN'T FIND

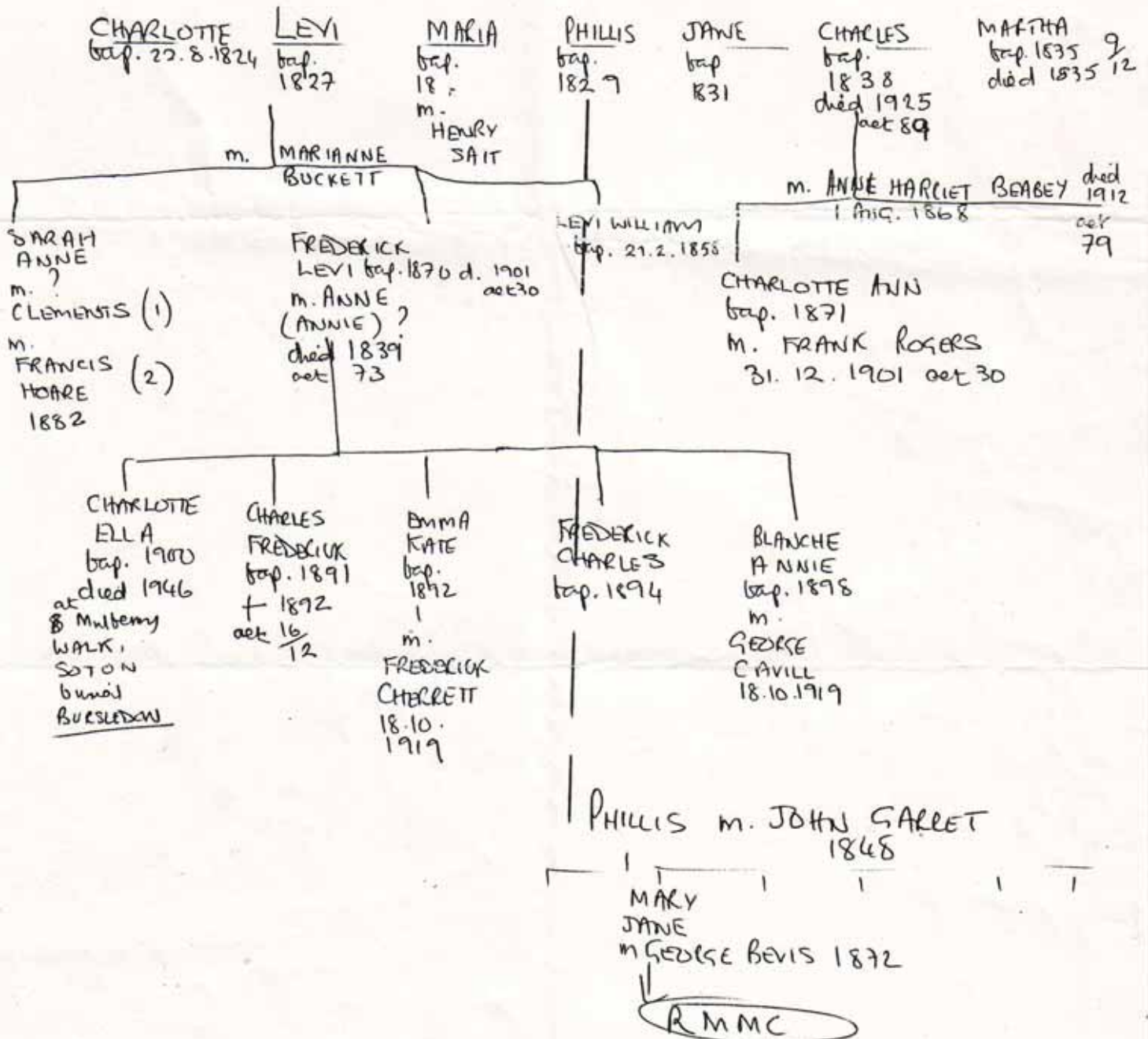
GODDARD TITCHFIELD
BURSLEDON AREA

LEVI'S BIRTH - IS HE THE CHILD OF DANIEL AND MARIAM GODDARD. (married 1777)

CLUE MAY BE IN NAME NATHANIEL GODDARD - WAS LEVI HIS OLDER BROTHER? (BOTH BIBLICAL NAMES)

LEVI married JANE BROOK - 1819
PRESUMABLY JANE DIES WITHIN NEXT FEW YEARS - WAS THERE A DAUGHTER? I THINK SO.

LEVI THEN MARRIES ELIZABETH TURNER
13 JUNE 1824 (my gt. grandmother x5)



Replied
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Dear Julie,

Happy New Year. I thank you for your last letter. Hannah Blewcher is my 3rd great grandmother, who married James Bailey, so if we are right, her sister Fanny is your husband's ancestor we are slightly related. I don't know anything about the parents of Fanny and Hannah, — William and Mary.

Hand is part of Hamble, just across the water from where I live (near Fawley)

I hope to visit Southampton Record

Office shortly, to see if I can find out anything about my Millbrook Weights. If I find out anything about the Chumbers I'll let you know. The Worcester RO is best but Southampton is nearer for me and I have to go there shopping soon in any case.

Best wishes

Brenda Atkinson



Dear Brenda,

Thank you for the prompt reply to my letter.

We do not know much about the CHURCHERS either but I am 90% sure that Fanny Churcher could not read or write. Perhaps she put her cross in the church vestry after Hannah's wedding and the vicar or clerk looked round, pen poised, and asked "Who was that?" Someone answered "The bride's sister Fanny" so the vicar wrote underneath "Frances Churcher".

We were told at last night's Family History Society meeting that the Record Office in Winchester is going to be open between Christmas and New Year so, the weather being reasonable, Brian and I will go and have a look at the marriage entries for both Hannah and Fanny.

James and Fanny's son, born in Botley, was named William so a reasonable supposition is that she and Hannah were sisters and the children of William and Mary. I see that they had a brother, named William, baptised in 1775. Do you have any information as to the maiden name of Mary? Is she the Mary Westcombe of Hound who married a William Churcher in 1771? I am handicapped by not knowing the lie of the land around Southampton and where people moved to and my husband is the same. The Goddards in Winchester lost their money when great grandfather spent it all on inventing mechanical objects for which he did not get patents. The sons had to leave home and they joined the army, moving all over the world. Now my husband and I have settled within half an hour of Winchester and recently found that his second cousin, also army and a traveller, had settled even near to the city!

I have been nagging away at James Goddard and Fanny Churcher for about ten years now and got no further until your letter came and I am delighted. Everyone keeps telling me that Churchers and Goddards are very common in Botley and Portsea, but surely someone can sort them out! I am told that in the 1830 directory of Portsea there is an entry for James Churcher, Baker, Grocer and Tea Dealer at 6 Long Acre, Southsea. Long Acre became Hampshire Street by 1841. It would be nice to connect in with this Churcher.

Best wishes,

De 8th

Dear Julie

I thank you for your letter. I have only just joined the Hampshire Family History Society after being contacted by my second cousin Dianne, who is researching her family - the Baileys with Churcher, Wright connections. As I live in the Southampton area it made sense for me to join the Hants society. I have been a member of the Cornwall FHS for some years researching the Bleweths who

came mostly from Marsehole, but great
grandfather Blewett left Marsehole & lived
the latter part of his life in Winchester.

He worked the City Mill there, so that's
another good reason for joining the Ports Society.
This was my father's line, but I begin.

The Baileys & Bunchers are my mother's side.
As yet I haven't much info on the Bunchers.
My GGG grandfather James Bailey (widower)

married Hannah Buncher 27/10/1810 at
St Marys Portsea. This may interest you

Witness were Frances Buncher & James Goddard

Problem is if Frances was married in 1808
her name would then be Goddard and not
Buncher!

To return to my Hannah Buncher she was

baptised 15/10/1786 at Botley (161)

I think we must be somewhere along
the same line. I haven't bothered to write
out my tree from James Bailey - Hannah
Chamber down to me as its the Bailey line
so wouldnt be much use to you. James and
Hannah seem to have lived in Patsau
after their marriage and all their children
were born there

Sincerely Brenda Atkinson



27 November 1996

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Dear Mrs Atkinson,

CHURCHERS OF BOTLEY

I was interested to see yourname in the Hampshire Family Historian for November and that you are researching the **Churcher family** of Botley 1750+.

My husband is descended from **James Goddard** and **Frances (Fanny) Churcher** who married in Botley on 10 October 1808, when James is said to have been "a sawyer". They had a son **William** at Botley, but I have not found a baptism and only know of his existence from later census records when the family were living in St John's parish, Winchester. They lived for the rest of their lives in Winchester where James was a gardener or labourer.

I have not been able to find the origins of either James or Fanny Churcher in Botley and wonder if James had come to Botley from Winchester looking for work and subsequently met Fanny. Do you know anything of them?

Stamped addressed envelope enclosed.

Yours Sincerely

Julie Goddard

