



27th November 1998

Dear Mrs Goddard,

Thank you for your letter of November 23rd 1998. Mrs Pat Manning is known to me thank you; she is helping out with my research and the inherited blindness, well actually it is not total blindness, rather severe short-sightedness. My family inherited this eye disease through John Goddard's Son in law, and my Great Great Grandfather, the Chevalier "*Leonidas Marcondes de MONTEZUMA*" mentioned below, not through the Goddards. Pat did receive a response to a notice in your Newsletter from a gentleman in Australia, who suggested we write to the *Institute of Actuaries*, which I did and from that I did obtain information for John, which I did not previously have, so thanks to all.

I would like the info below to go into your Newsletter please, in case anyone else is researching the family.

"I am researching John and Louisa *GODDARD* who's address for the *1881 Census* was: Croydon Road, Beckenham. John ( head) 77 a retired "Actuary" born St George Middx. Louisa his wife 72 nil occupation and born Weymouth Dorset. The couple had *2 daughters* Sarah Elizabeth Mills *GODDARD* who married William *GRAIN* living at Lancaster House Beckenham when their mother died, - and Louisa Davis *GODDARD* who married "*The Chevalier - Leonidas Marcondes DE MONTEZUMA*" living at Vernon Lodge, Howard Rd Croydon when their mother died: their mother died on the 30th December 1890. The couple also had a son John *GODDARD* living at "Hillingdon" Morland Rd Croydon when their father died on the 8th January 1892. Both John Sr and Louisa died at Elmer Lodge, Elmers End, Beckenham, Kent. I am also researching the associated names of Harrison and Mc Casland or Mc Caslerd".

Are there any other persons who are members of your association also researching the above family.

I look forward to any response, and once again thank you.

Yours sincerely

Brian Wright.

P.S. I WANTED TO WRITE AND THANK THE GENTLEMAN IN AUSTRALIA, BUT UNFORTUNATELY I TOTALLY MISPLACED HIS LETTER. COULD YOU PLEASE THANK HIM IN YOUR NEWSLETTER.

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Mr Brian Wright of 36 Gibbs Court, Dane Close, Irby, Wirral, Merseyside, L61 3XS ask if anyone can help. He writes: "I am researching **John** and **Louisa Goddard**, whose address for the 1881 census was Croydon Raod, Beckenham. John was a 77 year old retired Actuary who was born in "St George, Middlesex" [perhaps an inner London parish] and Louisa was 72 years old and born in Weymouth, Dorset. They had two daughters, Sarah Elizabeth Mills Goddard who married William Grain and was living at Lancaster House, Beckenham when their mother died in 1990. And Louisa Davis Goddard who married The Chevalier Leonidas Marcondes De Montezuma and lived at Vernon Lodge, Howard Road, Croydon." An inherited eye disease causing acute short sightedness has been handed down through the family via the De Montezuma line. An earlier plea by Mrs Pat Manning about this family brought help from an Australian member, whom Mr Wright wishes to thank through the Newsletter as he has lost his address. Mr Wright hopes that a second notice might be seen by a member who perhaps has joined the assoiation since. Write direct with your replies please.

JRS  
1.12.98



14th November 1998

Dear Mr Goddard,

I am researching John and Louisa **GODDARD** who's address for the **1881 Census** was: Croydon Road, Beckenham. John ( head) 77 a retired "Actuary" born St George Middx. Louisa his wife 72 nil occupation and born Weymouth Dorset. The couple had **2 daughters** Sarah Elizabeth Mills GODDARD who married William GRAIN living at Lancaster House Beckenham when their mother died, - and Louisa Davis GODDARD who married "**The Chevalier - Leonidas Marcondes DE MONTEZUMA**" living at Vernon Lodge, Howard Rd Croydon when their mother died: their mother died on the 30th December 1890. The couple also had a son John GODDARD living at "Hillingdon" Morland Rd Croydon when their father died on the 8th January 1892. Both John Sr and Louisa died at Elmer Lodge, Elmers End, Beckenham, Kent. I am also researching the associated names of Harrison and Mc Casland or Mc Caslerd.

Are there any other persons who are members of your association also researching the above family.

I enclose a S.A.E. and look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "B. Wright".

Brian Wright.

11-3-98 and fax

Island was a well known  
lived at the Elmer  
where I am now. A  
named after him. In 1871  
Actuary, aged 64.  
daughters, Louisa Davis  
arcondes de Montexuma  
of their descendants have  
blindness called  
trophy. I am trying to help  
the insurance company  
Moonfields eye hospital is  
ing on this family and  
records of Leonidas' eye  
to had to have a medical

and so we are trying to track down John Goddard's insurance company. I have an address for 'The Reversionary and Investment Company Ltd, 3 South Square, Grays Inn, London, 1910.

Do you know any more about this John Goddard and his insurance company and why he was held in such high esteem in Elmers End?

Yours sincerely,

Pat Manning

GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF EU



13th March 1998

Dear Mrs Manning,

*I have received your letter with interest; only a month ago we received a letter from someone who was trying to discover from whence her inherited hearing disease had come from.*

*Unfortunately I am able to give very little help with your problem in locating John Goddard's Insurance Company, apart from advertising your letter in our next Newsletter which will go out sometime in the Summer to about 250 Goddard households. In the 1881 census we counted 608 men named John Goddard, (14 in Kent) and I can see your John Goddard aged 77, but really you need to find someone who is intimately connected to the family. I, myself, would suggest writing to the local newspaper for Beckenham. I am sure that someone will only be too delighted to write in and to tell you why the road you mention is called "Goddard Road".*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Mrs J.R. Goddard  
Research co-ordinator*



GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE

11 Chandos Road,  
Newbury,  
Berks.,  
RG14 7EP

Monday, November 23, 1998

Dear Mr Wright,

John and Louisa Goddard of Beckenham

*Your enquiry has been passed on to me by John Goddard of Accrington.*

*We had an enquiry concerning this family in March this year from Mrs P.Manning 29 Birchwood Avenue, Beckenham BR3 3PY. She is probably known to you as she is investigating a rare form of inherited blindness. I offered to put a notice in our Newsletter for her, but as I heard nothing further I let the matter drop.*

*If you do not know Mrs Manning, or would like a notice put in our Newsletter please would you write again. I did suggest that she would have more success by advertising in the local newspaper for Beckenham as our membership is rather too small to have adequate coverage of the country - and descendants could be anywhere by now. Or you could put a notice in the "Family Tree Magazine" which sells over 30,000 issues a month.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Mrs Julie Goddard  
Research Co-ordinator*

*Mr Brian Wright,  
36 Gibbs Court,  
Dane Close,  
Merseyside,  
L61 3XS*

KENT FLEET OF FINES.

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Wickhambreux: 3 Hen III 1218/19

Quindene of St John the Baptist. (8th July).

(Q) Walter De Godardville. (D) Hugh de Vallibus:

A carucate of land in Wykeham. Plea of warranty of charter. D acknowledged the land to be right of Q and warrents it to him as that which he gave for his homage and service, to hold to Q and his heirs of D and his heirs, rendering a pair of guilt spurs (una calcaria deaurata) at Easter for all service except foreign service. Q gave two marks. Endorsed. Warin de Monte Chinesy puts in his claim. (95. 11.61)

Pg 110.

Brenchley. 16 Hen III 1231/32

At Rochester. Same date. Q (Pet.) Reginald, son of Godfrey.

D (Ten.) Thomas de Brancheslegh, chaplain, Robert de la Launde, William son of Benedicta and VITALIS GODDARD, by the said Thomas: 40 Acres of land in Branchesl. Assize of Mort D'Ancestor. D acknowledged the land to be the right of Q and for this Q granted it to D. To hold to D and their heirs, of Q and his heirs, and rendering yearly 6d at Christmas and doing service to the chief lords. (96.17.212)

Pg 55.

Newington. (Nr Sittingbourne? Author's italics) 4 John 1202/3  
Bermondsey. Octave of St Michael (6th Oct).

Q (Pet.) Henry de Roff and his wife Gunnilda. D (Ten.) GODARD son of Hugh, 15 acres in Niweton. To hold to D and his heirs of Q, and the heirs of Gunnilda by the free service of 6d yearly saving foreign service. D gave one mark. (282.5.26)

Arch Cantiana. Vol 11 Pg. 343.

Kent Fines 5 Edward II

No. 172. At Westminster, Easter in one month. Anno 5.

Between John son of Robert de Sowenton and Agnes his wife and (Pltf) THOMAS son of JOHN GODARD. (Deft) of 1 Messuage, 22 Acres of land, 6½ acres marsh and 5s 7½ rent with appurts in Preston next Wingham (Wingham) and Wykham Brewouse (Wickhambreux). Thomas grants to John and Agnes and to his heirs by her, but if none then after their deaths to remain to the right heirs of John. Thomas received

Cont.

20 1 for the concession.

Vol 2. Pg 127.

Fabric Roll of Rochester Castle (Edward III).

"...For the wages of Simon Maykyn, William Bek, John Boydyn, John Large, Thomas Bocher, Hugh Baker, ROBERT GODDARD, Adam Rolf Geoffrey Bradlee, Paul Betyl, and Thomas Wellys; eleven labour-ers labouring and working on the said works at 3d per day each for 132 working days within the aforesaid time. £18 3s

Vol 8. Pg 108.

Bylsington - 4 Dec VI Edward VI. \*

Inventory of Parish Church goods; 1552.  
Inventory taken by -  
William Quythem, Curate. James Smart, Churchwarden.  
Richard Tobe, JOHN GODDARD, Thomas Grymstyn, Parishoners.

Vol 10. 339.

Heralds Visitation: Dering Family Pedigree.

Marriage at ST Luke's Church, Chelsea, London.  
1720. Oct 7. William Goddard of St Giles in the Field Bachelor  
to Elizabeth Deering of St Andrew's Holborn, London. Spinster.

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Kent Fines 5 Edward II.

See Kent Fines Sheet.

Vol 12. Pg 422.

Subsidy Rolls for the Hundred of Faversham.

Anno 14 Henry III.  
"Robert Goddard..... iiij d."

Vol 14. Pg 192.

Faversham Archives A.D. 1305 & 1321.

Folio No 2.  
Arrears and tallage 20 Nov 1321.  
73 persons named including -  
Johes Godard ..... viij d.

Vol. 14. Pg 372.

Kentish Rood Screens.

"...The wills of Kentish Men made during the period abound with bequests for the erection or adornment of such lofts.\*

\* I.E. The will of Alexander Goddard of Murston (near Sittingbourne) made Oct 1473 left 6s 8d "to the work of the church there, Videlicet de Rodeloft."

Vol. 18 Pg 23.

Kentish Administrations.

1581 - 83.

No. 36. James Newton of Dover Parish. Administration granted to William Goddard, next of Kin.

Vol 18. Pg 382.

Vicars of Bexley.

1825.

Oct 20th 1825, CHARLES GODDARD D.D. instituted and remained Vicar of Bexley until 1833. His son Rev. Geo. Fred. GODDARD became Rector of Southfleet in 1854.

Vol. 20 Pg. 29.

Kentish Administrations. 1638/9

No. 9 William GODDARD of Debtford. Admin granted to John Bright. Creditor. (Revoked) 2nd Feb.

No. 14 William GODDARD of Debtford. Admin granted to Gervase Russell. Creditor. Other Administration revoked. 27/Feb.

Vol 28. Pg.84.

Herne Wills - Abstracts.

Parish Church.

The bequests in these wills etc. etc. already published in Testamentia Cantiana (E. Kent).....

An additional item of information is supplied by the will of JOHN GODDARD, enrolled in the Court of Hustings of the City of London (vol II pg. 339). "John GODDARD, a Goldsmith of London who died in 1399 possessed of lands and tenements in Herne, Whitstable and Reculver, which he left to his son John, desired his executors to pave the chancel of Herne Church with tiles."

Vol 29 Pg. 300

Archbishop Parker's Visitation 1573.

Decanat Ospringe. (nr Sittingbourne)

Sellinge.

"Item. Julian Goddarde wife of Richarde Goddarde is very  
sclanderous of her tonge toward her neighbours undeserved."

Vol. 30 Pg. 31.

Poll Tax Rochester 1660.

Eastgate Borough.

Stephen Godard and his wife ..... 1s Od.

Vol 31 Pg. 237/8.

Ecclesiastical Matters. St Mildred's Tenterden.

1511.

Item That JAMES GODARD withdraweth from the church XX li that  
which Thomasyn Piers bequethid.

Item. That JAYMES GODARD toke not his eighth oon (one) year.

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XIV. ALICE GODARD widow. 17 May 1521. Bequest " two tapers  
of wax, one of 2lb to set and burn before the Blessed Sacrament  
another of 1lb before the image of Our Lady of Pity to continue  
for 12 years renewed every year." (A.14.11)

Vol 34 Pg. 3

Churchwarden's Accounts. St Andrew's Canterbury.

1524 - 57.

Item. Of Mr Alcock for the waste of Mortuaries for Mr Goddards  
daughter. viii d.

Vol 38. Pg. 176.

Eastry Wills.

William BENDER of Herenden. 1540.

Witnessed by OLIVER GODDARD.

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Eastry Wills.

Robert FRINNE. Husbandman. 12 Mar. 1535/6

"..... the residue after paying my debts to my wife Denis, who  
with OLIVER GODDARD, Yeoman, my executors....."

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Cont.

Denis FRINNE. Widow of Robert Frinne. 8 June 1537.

".... residue to OLIVER GODDARD , my executor..."

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John OWRE of Gore. 17 Dec 1532.

Witnessed by OLIVER GODDARD.

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Eastry Wills.

Thomas PARKER. Yeoman. 7 June 1539.

"... residue after paying my debts etc. to Oliver Goddard of Eastry, yeoman, and my daughter Christian his wife, my execs."

William OWRE. Yeoman. 9 April 1541.

" ... all lands in the field called Stereteem, lands called Stottenborough now in the occupation of Oliver GODDARD...."

Richard WHITEFIELD. Yeoman. 14 May 1545,

"... Thomas son of John Whitefield my brother, Executor with OLIVER GODDARD overseer.....

.... to my daughter Elizabeth, 2 Acres called Gyles Meade and she shall change with OLIVER GODDARD for other lands as they can agree..."

Vol 41. Pg. 100

Annals of New Romney.

" Fines were levied for being out late at night in New Romney and were imposed as late as 1599 with unusual severity... Received of JOHN GODDARDE for a fyne for his night walking contrarie to the decrees of the Town XXs "

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Kentish Bibliographical Notes.

See photocopy.

Vol 42 Pg. 153.

Notes on yokes of Otford.

..." In another Kentish example, the Royal Manor of Wye (Ashford) the Yokes all seem to have personal names i.e the Yoke of ELIZABETH GODDARD, the Yoke of Peter Rainham and the Yoke of Bartholomew Elgar...."

Vol 47 Pg. 44

Visitation of Sandwich. 1502

St Clement. Sandwich.

Persons present. Sir Rich. Bull Sir Thos Brande and Sir  
Thos. Burley. Chaplains.

THOS. GODDARDE and John Godeson . Wardens.

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Sacrists Polls Christchurch Canterbury.

Rents -

" Item from three rods of land at Newchurch let to HENRY  
GODARD at Crokidtoun - 6d.

Vol 56

Goddard's Castle.

See photocopy.

Hasted's History of Kent

Vol. 9 Pg. 323. 1778.

Whitacre.

..... belonging to Proude ...in which name they continued for some time, together with two other estates in the parish, called Upper Andesdoor and Cernells which have since been sold off and now belong to Mr Goddard of Westenhanger and to Mrs Sutton...."