



20th June, 1995

Dear Mrs. Goddard,

The family of William Taylor Goddard

I am grateful to you for your letter dated 6th May, and for the interest you are taking - I have now joined the Association. I see from the Members' Handbook that any research should be sent to you, so hence this further letter. My further research has elicited the following:-

- a. William Taylor Goddard was so called on the Birth Certificate of his first child (copy enclosed) and on his Death Certificate (copy enclosed). He was called William Goddard in all Census entries, in the Electoral Registers, and in Trade Advertisements. The most strange divergence from this, in that in his Will (dated 22.6.1904), and in Probate Records (date of Death 2.10.1908 date of Probate 19.5.1909), he is referred to as William Taylor (otherwise Goddard).

In his Will, his son is called Charles Henry Taylor (otherwise Charles Henry Goddard), but in all other relevant entries, the son is called Charles Henry Goddard. The same comments apply to Emma Goddard, who is called Emma Taylor in the Will.

It may be that this takes the family out of your orbit, and I would understand if you said it did not come within the jurisdiction of the Goddard Association. It is not a question of a change in the name from Taylor to Goddard (or vice versa), but the usage of the three possible names is as follows:-

William Goddard - throughout his whole life.
William Taylor Goddard - on at least two occasions in 1863 and 1908.
William Taylor - only in 1904 and 1909.

In addition the business name at all times was William Goddard and Son.

- b. The birthplace of William Goddard is shown in every Census as Nottingham - but he was born about 1826 so further research is required. Actually I have re-examined the 1881 Census at 3364 86/87, and in the copy at Nottingham Library it does show his place of birth as Nottingham (also for the four children), and I do not think they are adjacent households - it is merely a carry over from page 86 to page 87.
- c. Regarding birth certificates, the only one I have traced is for Martha Ann - the eldest child, and a copy is enclosed. I shall pursue this avenue for the other five children, for it is strange that these births were not registered, a precedent already having been established with the first child - it is just possible they were registered as Taylor.
- d. My assumption that William Goddard had a brother arises mainly from the 1871 Census which showed:-

11, Greyhound Street

William Goddard	46	Fish Salesman
Emma Goddard*	26	
Martha A. Goddard	7	
John W. Goddard	5	
Florence J. Goddard	2 months	

* Presumably wife No. 2.

27, Greyhound Street

Adrian Goddard	40	Oyster Dealer
Mary Ann Goddard	34	
Eliza A. Goddard	8	

As you are aware the 1881 Census for 8 Collin Street (3364 86/87) showed William and Emma, together with four children and Eliza Ann Goddard (niece aged 18). She could be the daughter shown above, which then proves that William and Adrian were brothers.

- e. Unfortunately nothing further can yet be traced for Adrian, neither in the 1861 or 1881 Census., He is shown as an Oyster Dealer in Trade Directories for 1868, 1874 and 1876 (all at Greyhound Street, Nottingham, either No. 27, 29 or 22) but in the 1877 Morris Directory the occupant at 22 Greyhound Street is John Goddard - Oyster Dealer.

- f. To add to the mystery, the son was called Charles Henry Goddard on the majority of occasions - but as Executor of his father's Will (on 19.5.1909) he was Charles Henry Taylor, and as Executor of his sister's Will (on 21.11.1923) he was Charles Henry Goddard.
- g. Unfortunately there are still many blanks, and the further research I shall conduct is to trace the following:-

After 1837

Marriage of William Goddard and Ann Gibbons about 1860.

Death of Ann Goddard which I estimate would be about 1865/6 and I will obtain a certificate (Basford 7b 63 Sept. 1866) although the age shown in the Index is 35, which does not tally with 34 in the 1861 Census.

Assuming the death of Ann Goddard, the marriage of William to Emma ?, sometime after 1866.

Birth of five children is John W, Florence J, Nelly Elizabeth, Charles Henry, and Emma.

Before 1837

Birth of William Taylor Goddard - about 1826

Marriage of his parents, prior to 1826, possibly Goddard to Taylor

- h. I hope I am not giving you too much detail, but in the hope that it will help, I enclose a schedule of facts from my files (to tie up with my research with the George family) - only read this as of general interest. The marriage certificate of Ellen Elizabeth Goddard to Jim George is also enclosed.

Yours sincerely,



F. E. W. Swann

CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY OF BIRTH



GIVEN AT THE GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE

Application Number **Y0097743**

REGISTRATION DISTRICT **Nottingham**
 BIRTH in the Sub-district of **Shrewsbury** in the **County of Nottingham**

No.	When and where born	Name, if any	Sex	Name and surname of father, maiden surname of mother	Occupation of father	Signature, description and residence of informant	When registered	Signature of registrar	Name entered after registration
1							6		
2							8		
3							9		

439	Frankish December 1863	Martha Ann	Female	William Taylor Goddard	fishmonger Master	Ann Goddard Mother Greyhound Street Nottingham	Twenty four December 1863	R. Nightingale Registrar	
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CERTIFIED to be a true copy of an entry in the certified copy of a Register of Births in the District above mentioned, on the **24th** day of **April** 19**95**
 Given at the GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE, under the Seal of the said Office, the

* See note overhead

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CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY OF DEATH



GIVEN AT THE GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE

Application Number *G 011219*

REGISTRATION DISTRICT *Nottingham*
 DEATH in the Sub-district of *Nottingham North East* in the County of *Nottingham*

Columns: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
 No. of Registrar
 Name and surname
 Sex
 Age
 Occupation
 Cause of death
 Signature, description and residence of informant
 When registered
 Signature of registrar

<i>Second October 1908</i>	<i>William Taylor Goddard</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>82 years</i>	<i>Retired Fishmonger</i>	<i>Chronic Gasritis Syncope Certified by J. R. Mutch M.D.</i>	<i>E. E. George Daughter Resident at the death 4 Clarence Street Nottingham</i>	<i>Third October 1908</i>	<i>H. Clarke Registrar</i>
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CERTIFIED to be a true copy of an entry in the certified copy of a Register of Deaths in the District above mentioned.

Given at the GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE, under the Seal of the said Office, the *20th* day of *May* 19*08*

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See note overleaf



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**CERTIFIED COPY of an
ENTRY OF MARRIAGE
Pursuant to the
Marriage Act 1949**



Registration District Nottingham

1893 PARISH Marriage solemnized at St Nicholas Church in the County of Nottingham in the District of Trenton

No.	1 Maidens— When married	2 Name and surname	3 Age	4 Condition	5 Rank or profession	6 Residence at the time of marriage	7 Father's name and surname	8 Rank or profession of father
90	<u>May 16th 1893</u>	<u>Jim GEORGE</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>Bachelor</u>	<u>J. W. H.</u>	<u>4 Lawrence St</u>	<u>William GEORGE</u>	<u>Theatrical Artist</u>
		<u>Ellen ELIZABETH GODDARD</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>Spinster</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>5 Lawrence St</u>	<u>William GODDARD</u>	<u>Fish Salesman</u>

Marrried in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by after W. H. Malton

This marriage was solemnized between us, Jim George in the presence of us, Ellen Elizabeth Goddard Elizabeth George William R. Widdowson

Certified to be a true copy of an entry in a register in my custody.

S. H. Penney Superintendent Registrar
10th September 1993

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24th June 1995

Dear Mr Swann,

Welcome to the Association.

You will see that I put a short mention of your problem in the last Newsletter. Unfortunately no one has contacted me with any further information. Would you like to write a short version of your family history for Richard, our president and the newsletter compiler and editor? He can reproduce photographs if you have some of the fish shop, or your ancestors.

I would pursue the Taylor line, as it looks to me as if William was illegitimate - but that his parents married after his birth. I have had a look at the IGI for Nottinghamshire 1988 version and I see that you will have great difficulty in deciding just which Taylor family he could have come from. However, you could also look at the IGI for Derbyshire, especially Chesterfield.

Do you belong to Nottinghamshire Family History Society? You might try advertising in their "Members Interests" column (I do not know whether they have one, but most of them do) to see whether any Goddard or Taylor can help you. Nottingham Library used to have a very active Local Studies section when I was working in the area - though as you say you have consulted the trade directories then you probably know this already.

Thank you for sending the details of your family. They will go into our files in case someone else writes in with similar ancestry, in which case I will contact you.

Yours Sincerely

Julie Goddard