

The Goddard Association of Europe

NEWSLETTER

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GODDARD PARK

I am much indebted to my sister-in-law, Eileen of Blagdon, for providing me with some interesting information concerning Goddard State Park. This Memorial Park is to be found at Potowomut Neck on the shores of Narragansett Bay in the American State of Rhode Island about nineteen miles from the capital, Providence. It was donated to the State in 1927 by Robert Hale Ives Goddard of Providence and his sister Madeline, the Marquise d'Audigné, of Paris, as a memorial to their father, Colonel Robert Hale Ives Goddard, and was formally opened to the public on 1 June 1930.

The Park had originally been the family's summer estate and consists of nearly 500 acres, some half of which is forested and is described by the U.S. Department of Forestry as "the finest example of private forestry in America", abounding with fine specimens of red and white pine, red and white oak, larch, douglas fir and almost every kind of deciduous tree suitable to the climate. Now including a golf course and many other recreational facilities, another of its attractions is a half mile of beach. Unfortunately, the family mansion, 'The Oaks', which once stood at the centre of the estate, was destroyed by fire in 1973; it had housed the first insect zoo in the United States.

The land had originally been settled at the end of the seventeenth century by the Greene family, one of whom, Nathaniel, was Rhode Island's famous Revolutionary general; it was then known as 'Greene's Forge' after the forge and mill that had been established there. In 1792, after it had been acquired in settlement of the Greene family debts, Nicholas Brown gave it to his daughter, Hope, on her marriage to Thomas Poynton Ives, and they subsequently bought most of Potowomut Neck and renamed the estate 'Hopelands'. It then passed to their eldest daughter, Charlotte, who was the widow of Dr. William Giles Goddard, former Professor of Moral Philosophy and Metaphysics at Brown University, and grandson of the Revolutionary printer Sarah

Updike Goddard, about whom a brief extract appeared in Newsletter No.11. His father, William Goddard, had also been a well-known printer, and will be the subject of an article in a future Newsletter. Another celebrated member of this branch of the Goddard family was the cabinet maker, John, whose record-breaking auction sale escritoire and bookcase featured in the last Newsletter. From Charlotte the estate passed to a niece, Hope, and her husband Henry C. Russell, and it was they who built the mansion in 1876 and renamed it 'The Oaks'. On Hope's death in 1907 it passed back to Charlotte's youngest son, the Colonel Robert Hale Ives Goddard to whose memory the Park is now dedicated.

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FOURTH AGM

As already announced, the fourth A.G.M. is arranged for 2.30pm on Sunday 1 April 1990 in the Lawn Suite of the Goddard Arms Hotel - now renamed The Goddards Hotel - in the old part of Swindon. Those wishing to lunch in the Hotel before the meeting are advised to book at least two weeks in advance; the cost is £8-95. You should mention that you are a member of this Association and they will try to seat us in the same part of the dining room.

The meeting will follow the same pattern as in previous years, starting with the business meeting of the Association, Agenda as below:

1. Welcome by the President.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Minutes of the last Meeting.
4. Treasurer's Report.
5. Research Co-ordinator's Report.
6. Election of Officers:
 - a). President
 - b). Secretary
 - c). Treasurer
7. Election of two Committee Members: Julie and Marjorie retire by rotation and are eligible for re-election. Any other nominations should reach the President before the day of the Meeting.
8. Any other business.
9. Date and Place of the next Meeting.

This will be followed by the presentation of the Howard Goddard-Jones Memorial for 1989. Then, after a short interval, Mr. Dennis Bird will give an illustrated talk on Old Swindon, to be followed by tea and biscuits before departure somewhere around 4.30pm.

As in previous years a raffle will be held to help raise funds for the Association. And the brass-rubbing postcards, back numbers of the Newsletters, and copies of the booklet *The Goddards of North Wilts* will be on sale.

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This Robert was born in Providence on 21 September 1837, attended the public schools of his native city, and graduated from Brown University in 1858. His career with the family milling firm of Goddard Brothers was interrupted by the Civil War, for which he volunteered and in which he served with great distinction on the Unionist side, eventually rising to the rank of lieutenant-colonel. After the war he returned to Goddard Brothers and also to Brown and Ives, a similar company dealing in property and manufacturing. He played a prominent part in the commercial, financial and educational activities of Rhode Island, and was well known for his philanthropy. He served as Senator for Providence in the State Senate in the 1907-08 session, and was narrowly defeated for the U.S. Senate at the same time. On his retirement, the *Providence Journal* wrote of "the long list of unselfish public services which have made his name and the name of his family honored among Rhode Islanders for generations". The Goddard Memorial State Park at Potowomut Neck will ensure that such honour will continue for generations to come.

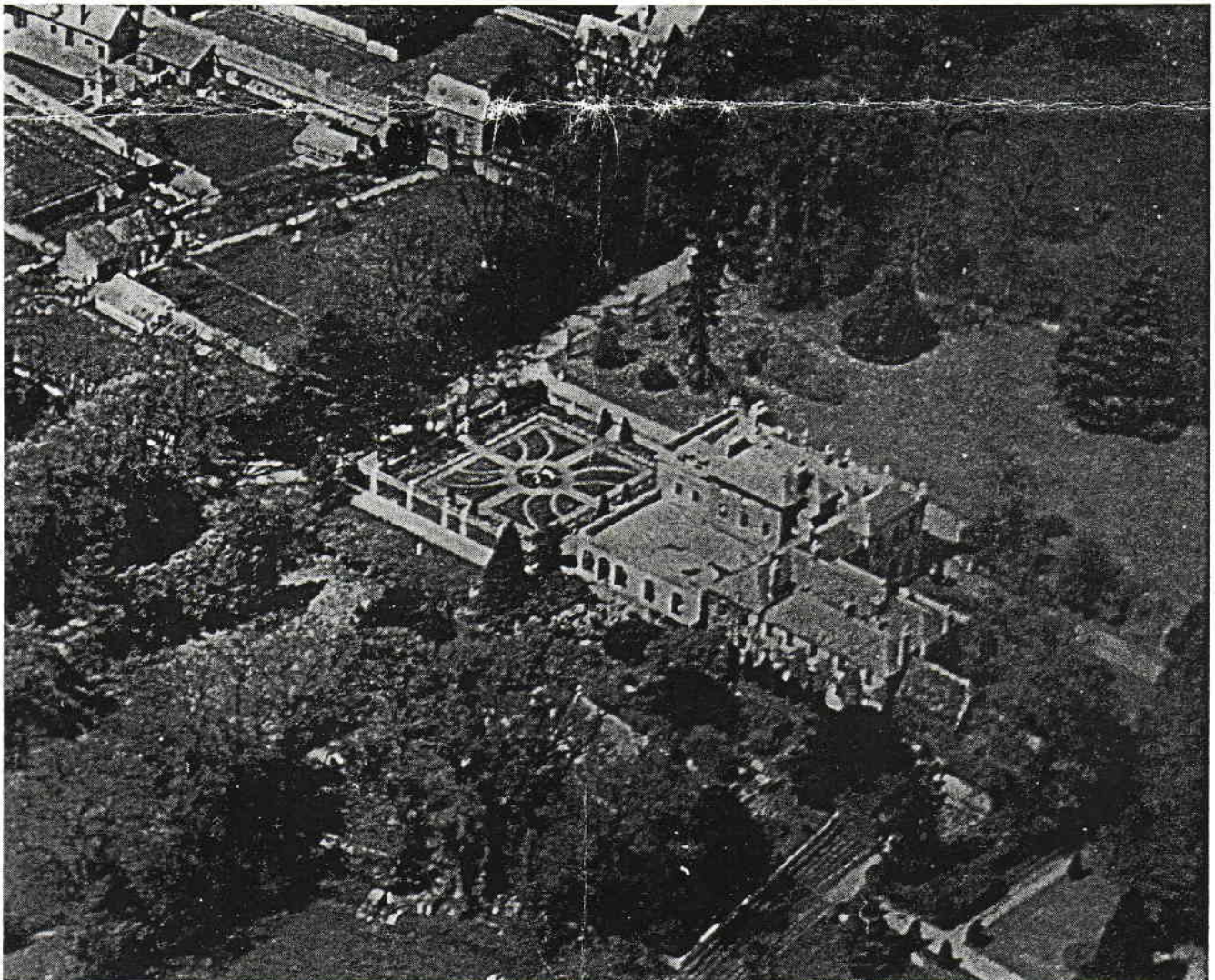
PARISH MAGAZINE

Readers of Newsletter No.13 will recall Stephen Goddard's offer to print parish magazines and similar material at reasonable cost. He has just sent us an attractively compiled example, for Buckhurst Hill, done in the form of a four page newspaper. Contact him at 26 The Meadway, Buckhurst Hill, Essex, IG9 5PG should you require his services.

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So that we can recognise one another quickly, or make new friends with the minimum of difficulty, may I again please remind you to wear a lapel badge on which should be written your name (if a Goddard the Christian name is sufficient!) and where you come from.

Finally, may we hope that the weather is once again kind. If it is, you may wish to stroll in the Park next to the Hotel, formerly the grounds of The Lawn, the Swindon Goddards' estate. There are some fine trees - provided they have not recently been blown down - and although the house is no longer there, the aerial photograph below shows you what it must have looked like, probably in the 1930s.



The Swindon Goddard Manor House, The Lawn, as seen from the air probably in the 1930s

GODDARDS - HIGH PEAK (6)

Rowarth is an isolated small village in North West Derbyshire and lies about two miles from New Mills in the direction of Glossop. In the New Mills Historical Society's notes entitled "The Lost Mills of Rowarth" it says that until the end of the eighteenth century the village consisted of about a dozen farms scattered about the valley. Because of the plentiful supply of water, within a few decades it was transformed into a thriving industrial village consisting of five cotton mills and a bleachworks. They were served by ten reservoirs and lodges, several of which are still full today.

Unlike the cotton industry in New Mills, which thrived throughout the nineteenth century, Rowarth's boom only lasted about fifty years. The remoteness of the village served only by tracks meant that only horse-drawn vehicles could be used, and eventually this led to several bankruptcies.

At the end of the eighteenth century most of the land in the centre of the village was owned by a Peter Goddard, gentleman, of Worth Hall, Poynton, Cheshire. There is no evidence that he ever lived in Rowarth, but in 1795 he leased three fields in Lower Rowarth to James Hadfield, one of which, the Great Bent, later known as Chapel Field, was used to build the Wesleyan/Methodist Chapel, later used for a short time as a day school. The stone above the door read "A Sunday School for Children of all Denominations A.D. 1824" and, although the building was demolished in 1972, the stone is still preserved, built into the wall opposite the Post Office.

The rough track leading up from the centre of the village is known as Goddard Lane, presumably after the original owner.

SUCCESS STORY

I check the 'Help Wanted' columns in the genealogical journals I take and send a publicity leaflet to anyone seeking Goddards. As a result I had a letter from Mrs. A. Schenk in N.S.W., Australia, who had advertised in the *Family Tree* magazine. She sent a cheque to join and details of her family. We fed the name of her great-great-grandmother into the computer, as Eleanor Trotman is distinctive, and it referred us to our letters file and Mrs. E. McNaughton in Southampton, who has the same ancestor. Now the two ladies, who do not know each other, are swapping family information.

Is there anyone else in the Association who is descended from William Goddard, master butcher of Bath, who married Miss Trotman in 1812? The Trotmans are a well-known West Country butcher family, so it was an advantageous match! Seeing the date makes me wonder if the family supplied Jane Austen's family with meat.

Julie of Newbury

Two of the top reservoirs are still full and the banks of a third at Grove Mill are visible, but no walls remain. This was owned by Peter Goddard's Executors in 1841. The lower of the two full reservoirs now forms part of Grove House garden which, would you believe, is the home of Mr. & Mrs. John Goddard, a distant relative of our own Chinley/Buxworth Goddards but, as far as is known, not connected with Peter Goddard.

By the early 1900s the mills had been reduced to shells and their destruction was completed by a terrible flood during a thunderstorm in 1930, when the dam of the largest of the top reservoirs was breached. The large dam is now privately maintained as a nature reserve.

Alongside the site of the bottom mill stands the Little Mill Inn; it is a three storey building and bears a plaque "G.A.B. 1781", which makes it the oldest building in the valley. In the garden stands a coach of the 'Brighton Belle', which until recently was used as part of the restaurant. After a recent party visit I can personally recommend the meals served.

On the moor road above the village stands the Moorfield Inn, and between the two is the Childrens Inn. Originally a seventeenth century coaching inn known as the Hare and Hounds, it received its new name in 1926 when it became redundant and was taken over as a holiday home for children from Manchester. In 1933 the building was taken over by Manchester Guides and Brownies, but the trust set up in 1926 still did the administration work until 1977 when it was turned over to the Girl Guides Association. The original trust was simply worded "To Serve Children" and has always been financed by voluntary subscriptions.

Albert of Chapel-en-le-Frith

SKELETON

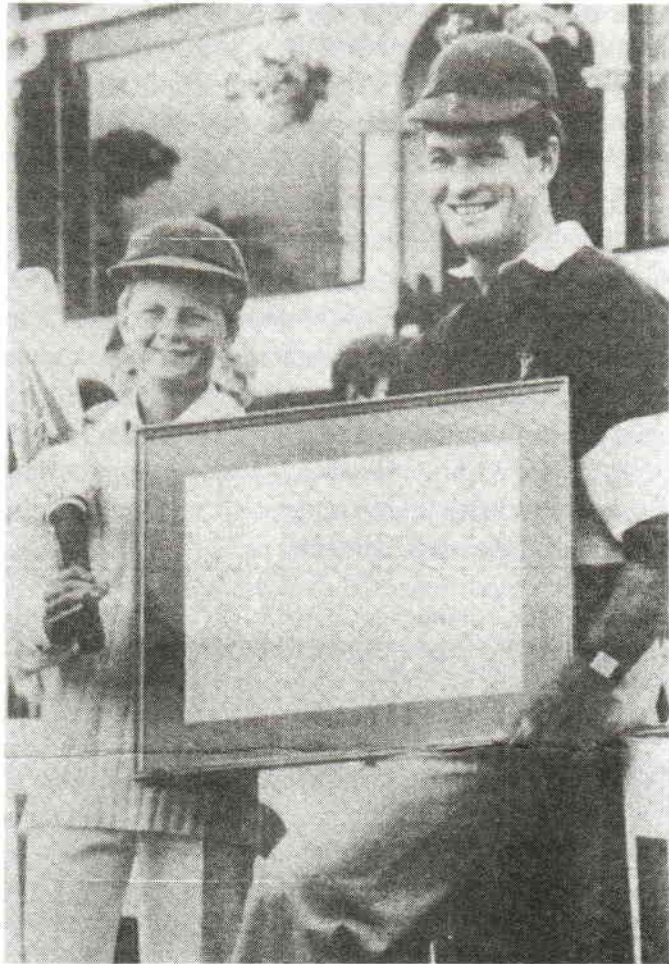
I am grateful to Mrs. M.E. Sieluzycski of Swindon for spotting the following item in her local paper. Grave-diggers working on what they thought was an unused section of the graveyard of Christ Church, Old Town, Swindon, have unexpectedly dug up a skeleton. The land had belonged to the Goddard family until the early part of this century. Police said that the body was more than a hundred years old, but that as there was no trace of a coffin or coffin handles it must have been some sort of illegal burial. It had not been laid out and from the way the bones lay it may have been buried vertically. The local coroner has been informed.

GODDARD SINGERS

Just before Christmas eagle-eyed Gillian of Andover spotted in her local paper under 'Diary Dates' a concert in Wildhern Village Hall given by the Goddard Singers. Can anyone shed any light on them?

FUTURE STARS?

This photograph shows Richard of Malvern's son Edward accepting the presentation of a special scorecard from Graeme Hick on the County Ground at Worcester at the end of June. Edward was captain of his preparatory school first



eleven last summer and went with his team for some mid-season coaching. Highlight of the occasion was the presentation of a scorecard - one of a limited edition of 405 - commemorating the record-breaking innings of 405 not out by Graeme Hick for Worcestershire against Somerset in the County Championship in 1988 and paid for by an old boy of The Downs School, Colwall. One of the most prolific scoring batsmen in first class cricket in the last fifty years, but a Rhodesian (Zimbabwean) by birth, Hick still has to wait a year or two before residential qualification will enable him to play for England. And Edward? Well, native Englishman or not, he will have to wait a few years more; but, in any case, he prefers playing golf!

FOOTBALLER

Paul Goddard, the 30 year old First Division striker, is on his travels again. Having previously played for Queens Park Rangers, West Ham and Newcastle, he has now left Derby County and transferred to Millwall for £800,000. This brings the total of his transfer deals to nearly two and a half million pounds. He was sold by QPR for £800,000; by West Ham for £425,000; by Newcastle for a similar amount; and now by Derby for the sum mentioned. He has scored eleven goals this season for Derby and, at the time of writing, has just opened his account for Millwall.

HOWZAAT?!

Can anyone beat the following scoresheet, which my father John - a medium paced bowler - was involved in, recorded between Whaley Bridge and Bugsworth second elevens in 1923?

SCORESHEET v. BUGSWORTH, 1923
Bugsworth all out for ONE!!!

MATCH PLAYED BETWEEN Whaley Bridge II & Bugsworth II		Played at Whaley Bridge 12.6.23	
LIMITED TO 20 OVERS		LIMITED TO 20 OVERS	
BATS MEN	HOW OUT	HOW OUT	HOW OUT
1 C. CHEETHAM	BOWLED	GODDARD	0
2 E. HILL	C. WOOD	EXLEY	0
3 F. WINTERBOTTOM	BOWLED	EXLEY	0
4 F. ROWLEY	BOWLED	GODDARD	0
5 W. COOK	BOWLED	GODDARD	0
6 J. HUGHES	BOWLED	GODDARD	0
7 G. BENNETT	C + B	EXLEY	0
8 P. BARNES	C. WINTERBOTTOM	GODDARD	0
9 S. LONGSON	ST. FOWLED	EXLEY	0
10 K. GREEN	RUN OUT		0
11 B. WETTERS	NOT OUT		1

TOTAL FOR		INNINGS	
1	0	1	1

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING		SUMMARY OF BOWLING	
BOWLERS	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11
J. GODDARD	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	5 5 0 5 0	0
A. EXLEY	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4 3 4 1 4 2 5	

He lived at Bugsworth, but at that time played for Whaley Bridge, thus playing against his old school friends. Whaley Bridge batted first, scoring 83 runs, and then proceeded to bowl Bugsworth out for one run, John Goddard taking 5 wickets for 0 runs and Alan Exley taking 4 for 1. The No.11 batsman, B. Wetters, who scored the only run - a misfield by dad -, not being a regular player, was not selected for the next match!

Albert of Chapel-en-le-Frith

M.V.O.

Does anyone claim relationship to the Paul Frederick Goddard who was awarded the M.V.O. in the New Year's Honours List? The Royal Victorian Order is one of only three honours exclusively in the hands of the sovereign to bestow, the other two being the Order of the Garter (and Thistle for Scotland) and the Order of Merit.

CAN YOU HELP?

Mrs. P. Wales of 5 Foxgrove Close, Wokingham, Berkshire, RG11 2NF, to solve an intriguing mystery. Her paternal grandmother, Louisa Goddard, was born in 1868 in Hackney registration district and had older sisters Sarah b. 27 May 1851, Elizabeth Margaret b. 5 July 1855, Anna Maria b. 10 July 1859 and Emily b. about 1865. Family legend has it that one of them was murdered by a boy friend soldier of whom her parents disapproved. This was possibly Emily who does not appear in a family bible belonging to an elderly aunt and who was only discovered on a census return by accident. Can anyone throw any further light on these five sisters and their descendants?

Mr. Peter Terry of Cherry Hill, Brandsby, York, the retired head of the chocolate firm, whose great-grandfather, Sir Joseph Terry (1828-98), lived in a house called 'The Goddards' - now the Yorkshire headquarters of the National Trust - because he married a Frances Goddard. Can anyone supply any information about Frances, her dates or her origin? It is thought she may have died around 1860.

THE APPLE-PICKERS

Readers of Newsletter No. 8 will recall mention being made of the publication of, amongst other works by Goddard authors, *The Apple-Pickers*. I am delighted to say that I am now in possession of a copy, kindly presented and autographed by the author, J.F. Goddard. This is a slim volume of 26 poems first published in 1986 by Taxus Press of Forest House, 412 Hinckley Road, Leicester and is priced at £2.95. Joseph Goddard is a farmer in Leicestershire and, as the back cover of the book tells us, this is his first full-length collection of poems. They "have something of the visionary authenticity of John Clare's; yet Goddard's work springs from his own working experience and childhood memories. Traherne, too, seems to haunt the imagination of this remarkable poet, whose writing centres on the illumination and transfiguration of the ordinary." Here for an example is the opening stanza of "The Apple-Pickers":

With the day the harvest goes.
Sky silvers; hills haze-merge with sky.
Flocks of birds moved overhead last month:
the migrant apple-pickers stay, and creep
the shorn grass through the groves.
Two natives move: two wicker baskets, bowed
with endless loading, fly
up and down, filled in a scuffle of green,
the fullest falling, the connecting cord
pulling the light one up towards the crown.

1719 WILL

Quoting the will in the last Newsletter reminded Albert of Chapel-en-le-Frith of that of one of his ancestors which he always enjoys reading. It contains the following instruction to his eldest son, Joseph:

"Allowing unto my now loving wife Ann Goddard - Bedroom and room convenient to the house fire to sitt or spin and works by the same as she shall have occasion during the term of her natural life. But and If my said loving wife shall chuse rather to remove from thereunto, than to stay with my said son, Joseph and his assigns to pay unto my said loving wife the sum of Five shillings a year yearly for the term of her natural life."

Then, after other bequests, it continued:

"Item my will and mind is that if either my said wife or any of my aforesaid children shall not rest satisfy and content with their respective legacies, sums or sums of money to them or any of them devised and bequeathed in manner aforesaid but shall give disturbance so far as to raise or commence any suite or suites in law touching the same AND THAT in such case he or she who shall give such disturbance or disturbances shall only have and receive one shilling and no more and such share or shares to go equally amongst the rest."

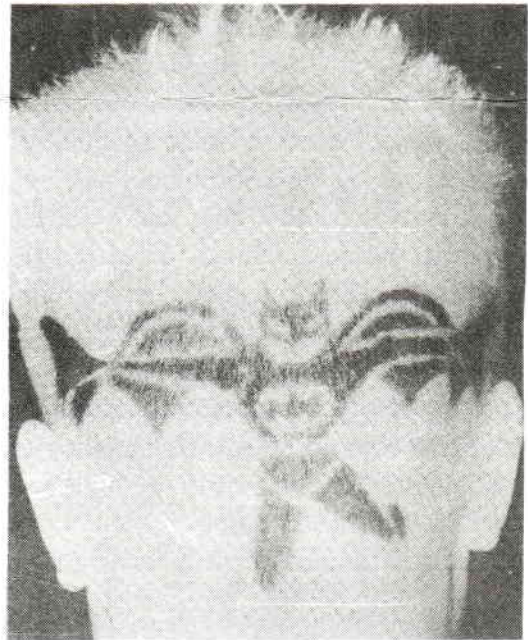
VISITOR

Pat Bisset of New Zealand will be in England from 12 June to about 20 August. Margaret is working on the family tree of the Silchester branch of Goddards in New Zealand, and has traced where all the family settled after Napier. Pat is concentrating on the family before they emigrated and hopes to find out more when she is over here. Her hobby is making pottery houses, and she has made one of the old Goddard house at Silchester from the photograph her brother Keith Goddard took last year when he visited.

R.O.S.L.

I have just been given a cutting from the Royal Overseas League publication for June 1985, picturing the Australian pianist Victor Sangiorgio winning the main Overseas Prize of the R.O.S.L. 1985 Music Competition. The prize was donated by a Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Goddard and presented at Over-Seas House on 28 February 1985. Does anyone claim relationship?

BATMAN HAIRDO



Julie of Newbury spotted this daring new hairstyle - in the *Newbury Advertiser* not on the street! It belongs to a Miss Kate Goddard - no, Julie is not related to her nor does she know her! - and was created in two colours by a hairstylist in Thatcham. It took half an hour to create, but was a nervewracking business as one false move would take about two weeks to grow out. The design was first shaved out and then painted in, both processes done freehand. Kate, who works at the Chieveley Service Station, is said to be really pleased with it; furthermore, it has started something of a trend amongst her friends. Somehow I don't think it will catch on amongst our members.

CALLED TO CATHAY - 1

As indicated in the last Newsletter, this is the first of a series of articles based on the privately printed book *Called to Cathay* of 1948 which chronicles the missionary service of the Dean-Goddard families to the Chinese from 1835 to 1945. It was written by Dr. Francis Wayland Goddard, completing a manuscript that had been originally started by his elder brother, William Dean Goddard, and left unfinished at his death. These two brothers were the great-uncles, on his father's side, of the founder of our Association, Howard Goddard-Jones.

Before the Treaty of Nanking of 1842 no direct entry to China from the West was possible, so the story begins in Bangkok, the capital of Siam (Thailand), where there was a large Chinese population many of whom travelled to China on business. By this means some direct access could be obtained, and so it was that the Baptist missions to China began in Siam with the arrival of William Dean in 1835.

William Dean was born in Morrisville, New York, on 21 June 1807. His mother's death, when he was sixteen, led him to dedicate his life to the Christian ministry and in 1823 he joined the Baptists, first extending his education and then applying to their Board of Foreign Missions. On acceptance he received further training and was ordained in 1833. Originally destined for Burma, he was at the last minute switched to Siam when his superiors decided that that route provided a better eventual entrée to China. In May 1834 he had married an early friend and associate, Matilda Coman, and two months later they sailed from Boston on a difficult voyage that was to last 157 days. But Matilda Dean never reached their appointed destination, for she died at Singapore on 5 March 1835 soon after giving birth to a daughter. Apart from baby Matilda, William now faced his missionary career alone.

But even he too almost failed to reach his destination. While rowing with another missionary, Mr. Jones, in Singapore harbour, they were attacked by half a dozen Malayan pirates and were lucky to escape with relatively superficial wounds, thanks to the stalwart defence

put up by William Dean.

Bangkok was finally reached on 18 July 1835. The first major hurdle which awaited him was to learn the language, all the more difficult in those days with an almost total lack of dictionaries and grammars, and doubly difficult in the case of Chinese in which the written form is quite different from the spoken. But master it he gradually did, and so his ministry of preaching, teaching, translating and doctoring - he had been trained in the rudiments of medicine before he left the USA - began.

It was hard and unremitting work and, together with the oppressive climate, soon began to take a toll of his health. Death was all too frequently the result for westerners; the remedy was to sail out to sea for cooler weather and, if that did not work, to retreat to Singapore and thence to the Portuguese colony of Macao off the coast of China near Canton. This William did, taking little Matilda with him - although subsequently he sent her back to America, where she was adopted into a Boston family. While in Macao he made friends with and then married, on 29 March 1838, Theodosia Ann Barker, a new member of the English Mission there. They returned to Bangkok and, two years later, in October 1840, were joined by the Rev. and Mrs. Josiah Goddard to help with the Chinese work. The following spring Theodosia gave birth to a son, Edmund; but further tragedy was to befall. Again taken ill, William put to sea; while he was away, Edmund fell dangerously ill. The nearest medical help was in Singapore and, without being able to get word to William, mother and son set out on the long journey. Edmund died on the way and was buried on an uninhabited island. William's health did not improve and, reluctantly leaving the little Bangkok church he had founded in the hands of Josiah Goddard, he and his wife set out for Macao in February 1842. He took comfort from the fact that Macao was strategically placed on China's doorstep should that country decide to open its doors to westerners; he accordingly took two of his Christianised Chinese with him to act as helpers in any new work.

NEW MEMBERS

We extend a warm welcome to the ten new members who have joined since the last Newsletter went to print:

Mr. G. & Mrs. J.M. Burrage, 7 Park Street, Oaklands, Johannesburg 2192, R.S.A.

Mrs. John C. Clegg, 1785 North 1500 East, Provo, Utah 84604, U.S.A.

Mr. & Mrs. M. Goddard, 26 Deans Close, Churchill South, Redditch, Worcestershire, B98 9HS.

Mr. B. & Mrs. S. Goddard, c/o General Delivery, Kindersley, Saskatchewan, Canada, SOL 150.

Mr. P. & Mrs. J. Goddard, 43 Grange Close, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, LU7 7PP.

Mr. P.A. & Mrs. P.Y. Goddard, Rose Cottage, 12 Moor Lane, East Ayton, Scarborough, North Yorkshire.

Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Goddard, 15 Frensham Way, Meadow Green, Meadowfield, County Durham, DH7 8UR.

Mr. Phillip A. Goddard, 5554 Chanteclair, Sarasota, Florida 34235, U.S.A.

Mr. Andrew J. Goddard, 11 St. Martin's Court, Wantirna South, Victoria 3152, Australia.

Mrs. Alison Schenk, 23 Lindsley Street, Gladesville, New South Wales 2111, Australia.

LIST OF GODDARDS WHO ARRIVED IN NEW ZEALAND 1841-1883

The following list has been received from our New Zealand correspondents and is reprinted in case some of our English members recognise the names of relatives. Please write to Julie and Brian at 11 Chandos Road, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 7EP, with your information in the first instance.

Samuel and Elizabeth, aged 30 and 22, on the "Whitby" from Gravesend, 27-04-1841. They had with them two small sons aged 2 years and 7 months.

Elizabeth, aged 22, on "Lloyds" from Gravesend, 01-09-1841, with her sons aged 7 and 1.

Cephas and Martha, aged 25 and 20, on the "Thomas Harrison" from Gravesend, 26-05-184?, with their two sons aged 4 and 1. They went to Nelson and Cephas worked as a joiner/carpenter for William Samuel.

William H. and Rebecca, both aged 23, on "British Empire". They arrived at Canterbury on 31-05-1864, and he is recorded as an assisted immigrant 06-09-1864. They had with them Louisa aged 10 months. William was a blacksmith from Gloucester.

Harriet, aged 19, sailed 02-04-1867 on "Lancashire Witch" arriving in Canterbury 29-07-1867. She was a domestic servant from Surrey.

John, aged 36, sailed on 20-02-1874 on "James Nicol Fleming" arriving at Otago on 24-05-1874. He was a labourer from Middlesex.

James Robert and Louisa, aged 39 and 38, and their family on the "Winchester" 01-05-1874 arriving at Napier, Hawkes Bay, on 26-07-1874. (Only brief details given here as this family have already been dealt with in previous Newsletters).

John and Mary, both aged 23, sailed with the above family. He was a labourer from Middlesex.

Ellen, aged 24, on "City of Dunedin" from Glasgow on 25-03-1876, and arrived in Canterbury on 01-07-1876. It was a government assisted passage. She was a cook from Surrey.

Charles, aged 18, on the "Inverness" on 28-10-1876 to Hawkes Bay. He was a labourer from Gloucester, son of Stephen Goddard and Jane Mead. In New Zealand he married first Annie Elizabeth Storky in 1879; they had no children. Then he married May Mulcahy in 1898; they had four children.

Mary Jane, aged 22, on the "Howrah" 09-11-1876 arriving at Nelson. She was a general servant from Middlesex.

George and Charlotte, aged 46 and 45 from the Clyde on "Oamaru" on 16-12-1876. It was a government assisted passage. He came from Stafford and was a soap maker.

Fanny, aged 20, on "Rangitiki" on 31-01-1883 arriving at Hawkes Bay 07-05-1883. She was a general servant.

Information also supplied: The 43rd (Monmouthshire) Light Infantry (Wolfe's Own), C.O.s Lts.-Col. H.J. Booth and F.H. Synge. This regiment sailed from Calcutta, India, in 1863 and served in New Zealand in the Waikato, at Gate Pa, Te Ranga and later Taranaki. In March 1866 it embarked for England after 15 years active service. Corporal Goddard of this regiment died of wounds in New Plymouth in 1866.

Ed. Marjorie of York thanks all her antipodean correspondents for their letters and greetings, which she reciprocates.

SCOTTISH SOLDIERS

On a recent holiday in Edinburgh I spent some time in the Scottish National War Memorial in the Castle. This Memorial was made after the Great War of 1914-18, to which were later added further tributes to all those who fell in the Second World War. Regiment by regiment, the names of all the dead are recorded. In the relatively short time at my disposal I may well have missed some Goddards, but I recorded the names and details of sixteen. I give them in alphabetical order of regiment. Each contains basically the same information: name and number, where born, rank, theatre of operation when killed [k in a = killed in action; F & F = France & Flanders], and date of death.

Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders: Bertie b. Leicester. S/14810. Pte. k in a. Salonika 4-10-16. 1st. Bn.

Reginald 14769147. Pte. b. London. T. Western European Campaign 1944-45. 22-2-45.

Gordon Highlanders: Michael L. 14691228. Pte. b. London. T. Western European Campaign 1944-45. 12-1-45.

Percy 5496165. Pte. b. Hampshire. T. Western European Campaign 1944-45. 26-6-44.

Highland Light Infantry: John b. Glasgow. 3128. Pte. k in a. F & F. 21-10-18. Latterly 40584 6th Bn KOSB.

Kings Own Scottish Borderers: John - formerly HLI [See previous entry].

William b. Goldern Hill. 21693. Pte. k in a. F & F. 31-7-16. 2nd Bn.

London Scottish: Sydney Bernard. b. London. 6314. Pte. Home. 12-2-16.

Royal Scots Fusiliers: George b. Irvine, Ayrshire. 6628. L/Sgt. d. Dardanelles. 4-9-15. 1/4th Bn.

Harry b. Bethnal Green, London. 15628. Pte. d. of w. F & F. 3-7-16. 2nd. Bn.

Walter. 14727397. Fus. b. Halifax. T. Western European Campaign 1944-45. 12-12-44.

Scots Guards: William b. Surbiton, Surrey. 4560. L/Sgt. d. F & F. 7-5-18.

Seaforth Highlanders: Albert E. 3186297. W.O. II. b. Sheffield. T. Sicily. 13-7-43.

And three Scots from other regiments:

Royal Highlanders of Canada: Alfred. 871710. Pte. k in a. 1-10-18.

Walter John. 258221. Pte. k in a. 2-10-18.

Royal Welsh Fusiliers: Leslie G. 1500750. Fus. b. Hampshire. T. Western European Campaign 1944-45. 28-6-44.

Does anyone recognise any of these as belonging to their family?

HIGH PEAK AUTHORESS

After reading the articles on Goddard authors and enjoying reading Robert Goddard's first three books, I was pleased to find a pre-war author among the High Peak Goddards.

Constance Felicity Goddard was, I think, born on a farm in the Edale valley before her family moved to Chinley, where Constance did her writing. Local people who remember her tell me she had red hair and lived at a house called 'Heatherleigh' on Maynestone Road.

One of her books, which I recently read, was called *Silver Woods* published in 1939, and listed her other writings as *Dear Charity*, *Verses Wise and Otherwise*, and a book of poems.

Silver Woods is a story about three sisters working a farm, inherited from their grandfather in a Derbyshire village, obviously based on Edale. Whether any of the story is autobiographical is not known, but no one could have written the story without a detailed knowledge of the daily work and hardships of a remote hill farm. She writes of a winter morning: "I was up at half past four every morning to feed stock, milk ten cows and clean cowsheds. Then breakfast and take the milk to the station. Give corn, water stock, feed pigs and fowls. Cart manure to the meadows in the big sled."

In later years, running the farm alone, she looks back on the year's work: "Well, I have housed sixteen acres of hay this season with only the help of one old man, and that in a bad season, I have carted coal, mended fences, got potatoes and root crops, milked cows and fed pigs and chickens, and dressed the butter for market. Gathered apples and sold them. Whitewashed cowsheds and cemented them to comply with the Dairies Act. Made butter and cheese and salted down and cured the bacon from the pig destined for our own use. Cleaned ditches and carted and spread manure. Harrowed, rolled, carted lime and spread it on the top pasture, a field that needs help. Planted young trees and pruned old ones. Cut wood and piped water, tried to earn a living and be a good neighbour." Quite a work load!

Albert of Chapel-en-le-Frith

FOUR GREAT GRANDMOTHERS

Everyone has (or had) four great grandmothers, and Association member Michael Barefoot has traced his and beyond. Lovingly and painstakingly researched, *My Great Grandmother Was Cornish* is the fruit of his labour. It is a delightful slim book, copiously illustrated and, quite apart from providing an insight into some of the pitfalls of family research, makes a very enjoyable read. But it is of particular interest because the author's mother is a Goddard; indeed, well into her 103rd year she is the oldest known, and can probably fairly lay claim to be one of the longest surviving ever. Her Goddard parents came from the High Peak area and their forebears can be traced back to 1628 with certainty.

It costs £7-50; I don't know whether Michael has any copies left but, if you are interested, try writing to him at 2 Gatcombe House, Littlehemston, Totnes, Devon, TQ9 6LW.

JOSEPH GODDARD

A VIRGINIAN IN THE CONTINENTAL LINE

This little book has just been produced by brother and sister George J. and Mary L. Goddard, direct descendants of their subject. It concerns the brief but exciting military service of their ancestor during the American Revolution. As the foreword says: "During the month of March 1777 a 15 year-old farm boy named Joseph Goddard marched away from his farm home in Virginia to serve in General Washington's Continental Army. This is the story of his service in that army. Almost the only direct evidence of his experience is contained in some depositions which he and a friend made on pension applications many years later."

Joseph had enlisted on 16 January 1777, and "ahead of him lay toil, privation and danger, at Brandywine, Valley Forge, Monmouth and Stony Point, during all of which the boy did a man's job". At the Battle of Brandywine he was the member of an infantry division of above 2,000 men who marched four miles over rough terrain in 45 minutes. Two months later he was part of a detachment defending Fort Mifflin on Mud Island, so named because it rose only a few feet out of the waters of the Delaware River, and incoming shells splattered the defendants with quantities of mud for a fortnight, causing them precious little sleep. Next Joseph wintered with the Continental Army at Valley Forge, one of the great tests of endurance during the war, and which helped enhance George Washington's reputation. A totally different experience awaited him on 28 June 1778 at the Battle of Monmouth. This battle was fought in a temperature of one hundred degrees Fahrenheit, and some 37 American and 60 British soldiers are said to have died of heatstroke.

At Christmas 1778 Joseph obtained leave, and he also managed to arrange for someone else to take his place thereafter - a not uncommon practice in those days. Unfortunately when the time came his substitute ratted on the deal and Joseph was forced to return to his regiment. He was thus present at the successful midnight attack on Stony Point, a fortification at the mouth of the River Hudson, on 16 July 1779 and may well have been wounded, for he was discharged from the army two months later.

Returning home, he married on 19 October 1779, subsequently emigrating in the 1790s to Fleming County, Kentucky, where he died aged 84 on 28 June 1844, being buried in the Goddard Methodist Church graveyard alongside his house.

This booklet can be obtained from the Executive Secretary of the Goddard Association of America, Kathryn Goddard Meyer, 118 South Volutsia, Wichita, Kansas 67211, U.S.A., price \$10 or equivalent.