

EDITORIAL

This issue of the Newsletter contains a special feature. In 1981, Rod Blaker, M.P., contacted J.P. Brooke-Little, Norroy and Ulster King of Arms, College of Arms, London, E.C.4, and arranged to have the records of the College of Arms examined for information on Blaker grantees.

The resulting report follows, with the exception of several pages which pertain to the Blacker family of Ireland. There appeared to be no known connection between this family and any of our members so we were reluctant to use space in the Newsletter for material that would interest none of our readers.

We must advise members that this is the last issue of 1982 and membership must be renewed, as soon as possible, to ensure that you will continue to receive the Newsletter in 1983.

The annual membership fee remains £5 sterling or \$12. Canadian and we request that you forward this amount before the post office is deluged with Christmas mail. The most convenient way, for members in England, would be to send a £5 note, thus avoiding bank charges.

The next issue of the Newsletter, number 831 (year 1983 - 1st issue) will be despatched in Jan. 1983. It will contain a "Queries" column and members are invited to send in their problems in the hope that some other member may be able to solve them. There will be no charge to have a reasonable number published, provided they are submitted by a member.

We also invite members to submit material for future publications. Despite the accumulation of information on Blakers in our possession, the Blaker Family History Society could not long survive without the participation of the members.

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OBITUARY

It was with regret that we learned of the death, June 11, 1982, of member Matthew John Blaker. He was born in Bolton Feb. 20, 1917. Matthew John was keenly interested in Blaker Family History and it is rewarding to know that we were able to bring pleasure during the last months of his life.

COLLEGE OF ARMS REPORT

In 1981, Rod Blaker, M.P., requested the examination of the records of the College of Arms, in the name of Blaker and variants, paying particular attention to the Sussex and Wiltshire families. The following report was received from J.P. Brooke-Little, Esq., M.V.O.. M.A., F.S.A., who is Norroy and Ulster King of Arms. This report is passed on to you in entirety to ensure that none of our members duplicates this long and costly research.

In 1613 arms consisting of Or a Chevron between three Moors' Heads coupé proper crined Sable. Crest: On a Wreath of the Colours a demi Horse Sable ducally gorged Or were granted to Blaker of Salisbury, Co. Wilts.

A pedigree of the above family, spelt Blacker, is contained in the 1622 Visitation of Co. Wilts. The arms granted by Sir William Segar in 1613 are given as Or a Chevron Ermine between three Moors' Heads in profile coupé Sable. In a volume of the grants of Sir William Segar, William Blacker of Salisbury, Co. Wilts., Esq., son of Thomas, deceased, of the ancient and worthy family of Blacker of Derbyshire who have anciently borne arms, namely Or a Chevron Ermine between three Negroes' Heads coupé Proper was desirous of adding a crest. The following crest was granted: On a Wreath of the Colours A Horse's Head coupé Sable armed Proper the Bridle and Belt Or. Mantled Gules doubled Argent. The grant was dated July 1614.

The pedigree begins with William Blacker of Sarum Co. Wilts, who married Alice, daughter of Thomas Davy of Harnum juxta Sarum. They had issue William of Sarum, son and heir in 1623, who married Maria, daughter of Michael Ernloy of Wheatham, Co. Wilts.. This couple had four children: Alice, wife of William Willoughby of Selton, Co. Dorset, William, aged 32 in 1623, Thomas, aged 20, Maria aged 19 and Catherine aged 18. William married Ann daughter of John Lowe of Salisbury, by whom he had four children in 1623; Edward, aged 3, Ann, aged 1 and William and Joan for whom no ages are given. The crest attached is a demi-Horse Sable gorged with a Coronet Or.

Under the seal of Sir William Segar, on 19th February 1616 arms were granted to Blaker of Portslade, Co. Sussex. They were Argent a Chevron Erminois between three Moors' Heads coupé proper crined Or. The Crest; On a Wreath of the Colours a Horse's Head Sable bridled and maned Or. The pedigree attached shows Edward of Portslade, married to Anne, daughter of Robert Fowler of Portslade. They had issue; Edward, whose first wife Anne was daughter of William Dapp. His second wife, by whom he had issue, was Susan, eldest daughter of

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Tuppyn Scrase. Their children were Edward, William and Richard. Edward was of Buckingham, Old Shoreham, Co. Sussex, and was a Justice of the Peace in 1662. He married Dorothy, daughter of Henry Goreine of Hiden, Co. Sussex.

A second pedigree, relating to this family, was recorded at the 1634 Visitation of Sussex and shows that the grant of arms was made to the second Edward Blaker, son of Edward Blaker, gent., deceased. The date annexed is again 19 February 1616. His brothers, not previously mentioned, were John, Thomas and Henry and they were entitled to bear the arms. Edward had four children by Susan Scrase, namely, Edward ca 4 in 1634, William ca 2 and Susan ca 5 in 1634.

A very full pedigree of the family was located in the modern pedigrees, chiefly relating to Henry, son of Edward Blaker and Anne Fowler, and his descendants, Henry was named in his father's will of 1594 and in that of his mother in 1598. He was an alderman of the hundred of Fishergate in 1617 and 1618, head-borough of Portslade in 1620 and churchwarden there 1620 - 35. Henry was buried at Portslade on 19 March 1638/9. His will, dated 16 March 1638/9, was proved at Lewes on 25th March 1639. His first wife, by whom he had issue, was Agnes, daughter of Richard Pollard of Portslade. Her father's will, dated 8 May 1614, was proved 5 September 1615 at Lewes. She was buried at Portslade 30 Dec. 1616.

His second wife was Joan Ockenden of Portslade, whom he married 17 November 1617. She was executrix of her husband's will in 1639, being admitted to his lands in the manor of Portslade on 14th January 1639/40. Joan was buried at Lewes 26 June 1641.

Edward Blaker, son of Henry and Agnes, was of Kingston Bowsey, Co. Sussex, and is mentioned in the will of his father in 1639. He was admitted to the lands of his mother in the manor of Portslade 5 September 1642, surrendering them on 20 August 1652. He was buried 25 October 1688 at Kingston Bowsey. His will dated 1 July 1682 was proved 29 November 1688 in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury.

Edward married Sarah, by whom he had issue Edward, and other unnamed offspring. His son was of Kingston Bowsey, being baptised at Patcham, Co. Sussex on 27 April 1645. He was executor to his father's will in 1688 and churchwarden of his parish in 1687, where he was buried on 20 May 1723. His will, dated 12 Dec. 1721 was proved at Lewes on 25 April 1724. He married Anne Newington by Licence on 10 Sept. 1681 at St. Thomas in the Cliffe, Lewes. She was buried at Kingston Bowsey 17 July 1712.

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This couple had issue Nathaniel (other children unnamed) of Portslade, who was baptised 2 June 1699 at Kingston Bowsey. He was co-executor of his father's will in 1724, himself dying 16 July 1764 and being buried at Kingston Bowsey, where a monument was erected to his memory. His will dated 10 July 1764 was proved 6 July 1765 at Lewes. He married Katharine, dau. of John Friend of Saddlescombe in New Timber. Co. Sussex, who was baptised there 12 Nov. 1696. They married at Portslade 5 October 1737. She died 15 Nov. 1762 and was buried at Kingston Bowsey on 20 Nov. where a monumental inscription was erected.

The only named issue of the above was Nathaniel of Portslade, born 3 Dec. 1742 baptised at Kingston Bowsey 31 Dec.. He was executor of his father's will in 1765. Nathaniel was Commissioner for Shoreham Harbour and a churchwarden of Portslade in 1815. He died 6 May 1815 and was buried at Portslade six days later. His will was proved 26 Aug. 1815 at Lewes. His wife was Elizabeth dau. of William Rogers of Patcham, who was baptised there 5 Nov. 1746 and there married on 26 July 1769. She was buried at Portslade 22 May 1815.

Again, the only named issue of this couple was Nathaniel Blaker of Preston, Co. Sussex who was born 20 Nov. 1772 and baptised at Portslade two days later. He was co-executor of his father's will and himself died 6 Oct. 1863 being buried at Preston. His will, dated 28 Dec. 1841, was proved at the P.C.C. 16 Nov. 1863. His wife Anna was dau. of Anthony William Hudson of Westmeston, Co. Sussex, born 27 Oct. 1770. They married by licence 10 Jan. 1800 at Westmeston. She is mentioned in her husband's will in 1841 and herself died the following year on 29 Jan. at Preston.

Their names issue was Nathaniel Blaker of Perding (Perching) Manor, Fulking, Co. Sussex. He was born 22 Sept. 1800 at Selmeston, Co. Sussex, and baptised there 23 Oct. following. He was co-executor of his father's will. Nathaniel died 8 Sept. 1880 at Hurstpierpoint and was buried at Pyecombe, Sussex. His wife was Elizabeth Fuller, dau. of Joseph, born 2 Jan. 1802 and married at Selmeston 14 Feb. 1831. She died at Hurstpierpoint 29 April 1888.

The only recorded issue of this couple is Nathaniel Paine Blaker of Cherrington, Hurstpierpoint. He was born 4 Jan. 1835 at Selmeston and died at Hurstpierpoint 12 March 1920. His wife being Fanny Jane, 2nd dau. of John Oliver Smith of Brighton, Sussex, born 22 Aug. 1848 and married at St. Peter's, Brighton, 19 May 1869. She died there 26 March 1908.

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This couple had four children, the eldest being George of Rosetti Garden Mansions, London, and of the Inner Temple, barrister, Master of Arts of the University of Oxford. He was born 13 Feb 1875 at Brighton and was unmarried in 1928 when the pedigree was registered. The second son, Herbert Henry of Anstye Place, Cuckfield, Sussex, was born 12 January 1881 at Brighton. He married Ann Muriel, dau. of Robert Atkinson of Devonshire Terrace, Stanwix, Carlisle, on 23 April 1908. They had two children, Nathaniel Robert born 31 Jan 1921 at Haywards Heath, Sussex, and Anna Mary born there 30 June 1913.

Nathaniel Paine and Fanny Jane had other issue, Anna born 25 Oct 1876 at Brighton and married to Edward T. Hodgson of Banfield, Cuckfield, Sussex, 30 Aug 1910 at Hurstpierpoint. Helen Elizabeth, the last child, was born at Hurstpierpoint on 22 March 1879 and married William Frederick Blaker of Haresden, Pyecombe, Sussex.

A second Sussex Blaker family is recorded to whom this last William Frederick belonged. His surname was originally Reichwald. The pedigree shows August Reichwald of Beckenham, Kent, born 8 March 1846 at Westphalia, Germany, who died at Beckenham 8 April 1922. He had by his wife Alice May, dau. of William Hodge of Dene House, Tynemouth (born 11 Jan. 1852 at Newcastle, married 19 July 1876 at Whitley, died 27 May 1924 at Beckenham) one son, William Frederick Blaker of Gaveston Place, Nuthurst, Sussex, D.S.O., C.B.E., Colonel in the Army and Chevalier of the Legion of Honour. He was born 9 April 1877 at Tynemouth and his name was changed by Deed Poll 23 June 1915. He was married to Helen Elizabeth second and younger dau. of Nathaniel Payne Blaker of Hurstpierpoint and was living in 1931.

This couple had issue George Blaker Blaker, born 30 Sept 1912 at Simla India, Nancy Blaker was born 27 March 1914 at Hove, Sussex, and Helen Jane born at Brighton, 16 Aug 1916.

August Reichwald of Beckenham, Kent, merchant, was granted arms 6 Nov. 1912, Per Pale Azure and Argent to the dexter a Sail attached to a Spar proper ringed Or, to the sinister on a Mount Vert an Elm Tree also proper all within a bordure counterchanged. Crest: On a Wreath of the Colours a demi-Lion rampant Or in front of four Spears two in bend dexter and two in bend sinister proper each flying a Pennon the two outer per fess Azure and Gold the two inner per fess Sable and Argent.

The third and final Sussex Blaker family are found in Grants 87, page 28. On 18 Nov 1919, a grant of arms was made to Sir John George Blaker of the Romans, Brighton, Sussex, Baronet. The arms were Ermine three Chevronells and in chief two Towers Sable. Crest: On a Wreath of the Colours Or A Horse's Head Sable charged with three Chevronells Argent.

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A pedigree was recorded which shows the grantee as being the grandson of John Blaker of Church Stree, Brighton, who died there 15 Aug 1856. His grandmother was Frances Stevens, who married at Edburton, Sussex, 15 May 1830 and died there on 1 Dec 1882. They had issue John George Blaker of St. James's Terrace, Burgess Hill, Sussex, who was born at Brighton 9 Aug 1833 and was living 1919. He married Margaret dau. of Henry Cocks of Sandgate, Kent, at St. Marks, Kennington, Surrey, 13 Dec 1853. She died at Burgess Hill 19 June 1919 and was buried at Brighton.

Theur son, the grantee, was Sir John George Blaker, Baronet, O.B.E., J.P. for Sussex, Mayor of Brighton 1895-98, Chief Military Representative for the Brighton area 1914-19. He was knighted in 1897 and created a baronet by Letters Patent 5 Sept 1919. He died at Romans, Stanford Ave., Brighton, on 11 June 1926. He was married to Eliza, dau. of Samuel Cowell of Brighton at Preston parish church 16 Sept 1890.

This couple had issue, Sir Reginald Blaker of Brighton, 2nd baronet, barrister of the Inner Temple, Lieutenant the 57th (H.C.) Field Brigade, Royal Artillery. He was born 27 April 1900 and succeeded to the baronetcy 11 June 1926. His sister Jessie was born 29 May 1891 and married 12 July 1921 at Christchurch, Woburn Square, to Arthur Neevington of the Vineries, Rusper, Sussex. The title, according to current reference books appears to be obsolescent.

Note:

The report concludes with a long report on the Blacker family of Ireland. However, as there is no known connection between this family and the various Blaker families, it will not be included here.

The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see. - Winston Spencer Churchill.

We can best appreciate the present in the light of the past. - Stephen Leacock.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES & DEATHS - INDEXES

The list of Blaker births continues from the last issue;

	<u>Mother's maiden name</u>
1914 (Dec. Qr.)	
Elizabeth M. (Portsmouth)	Osborn
John G. (Camberwell)	Isherwood-De-Wilding
1915 (March Qr.)	
Catherine (Salford)	Geldard
Joan M. (Brighton)	Newton
(June Qr.)	
Charles A. (Bolton)	Glover
Jack J. (Brighton)	Ventham
Leonard B. (Orsett)	Sharp
Marion (Chorlton)	Leach
(Sept. Qr.)	
Ruby P. (Petersfield)	Lindop
Winifred A. (Poplar)	Loeber
(Dec. Qr.)	
Katie D.C. (Cuckfield)	Lewry
1916 (March Qr.)	
Dorothy M. (Dartford)	Frost
Kathleen M. (Wandsworth)	Gumbleton
(Female) (Gt. Ouseburn)	Fletcher
(June Qr.)	
Edna M. (Orsett)	Sharp
Margaret H. (Willesden)	Blaker
Violet M. (Wandsworth)	Weare
(Sept. Qr.)	
Ivy D. (Camberwell)	Crawley
Ronald H. (W. Ham)	Hall
(Dec. Qr.)	
Helen J. (Brighton)	Blaker
Margery (Brighton)	Ventham
Peter H. (Steyping)	Stevens
1917 (March Qr.)	
Eleanor B. (Portsmouth)	Osborne
Eleanor M. (E. Preston)	Grover
Joseph (Lambeth)	Martin
(June Qr.)	
Matthew J. (Bolton)	Glover
Stanley S. (Orsett)	Sharp
(Sept. Qr.)	
Irene A. (Poplar)	Loeber
(Dec. Qr.)	
Margaret A. (Kingston)	Blaker
(Male) (Williton)	Webber

Blaker births cont'd.

1918 (March Qr.)	
Albert J.D. (Islington)	Oliver
Cyril P. (Dorking)	Cooke
John H. (Leeds)	Wood
Melvin C. (Islington)	Plater x
Phyllis M. (W. Ham)	Blackmur
(June Qr.)	
Doreen (Tynemouth)	Moore
John H. (Hunslet)	Wood
Melvin C. (Islington)	Plater x
(Sept. Qr.)	
Frederick (E. Preston)	Hall
Leslie (Brentford)	Burgess
(Dec. Qr.)	
Edward J. (Lambeth)	Brown
George (Bolton)	Glover
John (Gravesend)	Blaker
1919 (March Qr.)	
Jack (Edmonton)	Plater
(June Qr.)	
<u>Elsie E. (E. Preston)</u>	<u>Grover</u>
(Sept. Qr.)	
No entries	
(Dec. Qr.)	
Mary H. (Brentford)	Pether
Sylvia M. (Chertsey)	Green
1920 (March Qr.)	
Lily R. (Greenwich)	Payne
Robert G. (Brighton)	Newton
(June Qr.)	
Ethel (Epsom)	Dudley
Horace J. (Bristol)	Webber
Freda M. (Cardiff)	Parfitt
Margaret K. (Hertford)	Riggs
(Sept. Qr.)	
Daisy (Poplar)	Loeber
Violet (Poplar)	Loeber
Kenneth (Chorlton)	Leach
(Dec. Qr.)	
Robert F. (W. Ham)	Hutt
William F.B. (Winchester)	Matthews
Winifred E. (W. Ham)	Hall
1921 (March Qr.)	
Margaret B. (Wandsworth)	Jeffs
Nathaniel R. (Cuckfield)	Atkinson
<u>Richard (E. Preston)</u>	<u>Grover</u>
Ronald E. (Lewes)	Edwards

Blaker births cont'd.

1921	(June Qr.)	
	Roy (Chorlton)	Ormerod
	Thomas W. (Hackney)	Lloyd
	(Sept. Qr.)	
	Betty (Hitchin)	Edwards
	George F. (Fulham)	
	(Dec. Qr.)	
	Lena M.G. (W. Ham)	Everard
	William (Wandsworth)	Ware
1922	(March Qr.)	
	Betty H. (Steyning)	Newton
	Herbert G. (Bristol)	Webber
	(June Qr.)	
	Robert (Brighton)	Ventham
	(Sept. Qr.)	
	Alan T. (W. Ham)	Milton
	(Dec. Qr.)	
	Colin (Chorlton)	Ormerod
	Frank (Leeds)	Wood
	John A. (Malling)	Palmer
	Lily (Lambeth)	Martin
1923	(March Qr.)	
	Albert R. (Farnham)	Draper
	Charles E. (Hackney)	Lloyd
	Leslie T. (St. Geo. Han. Sq.)	Bushnell
	Margaret E. (Southampton)	Matthews
	(June Qr.)	
	Dorothea F.N. (Exeter)	Wilding
	Jean (E. Preston)	Grover
	(Sept. Qr.)	
	Doroty J. (Steyning)	Lloyd
	Madeline D. (Brentford)	Pether
	Violet B. (Steyning)	Newton
	(Dec. Qr.)	
	Edith E. (Wandsworth)	Weare
	Winifred M.M. (Bromley)	Blaxland
1924	(March Qr.)	
	Charles R.G. (Southampton)	Cook
	Ellen M. (Bristol)	Webber
	(June Qr.)	
	Alfred (Bolton)	Glover
	Iris V. (Mile End)	Loeber
	Joan P. (Tendring)	Wilson
	John (Sevenoaks)	Skeer
	(Sept. Qr.)	
	Gabrielle D. (E. Preston)	Allen
	(Dec. Qr.)	
	No entries.	

MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

(Submitted by Roger Frederick Blaker of Kent)

SOMPTING PARISH CHURCH, SUSSEX

Robert Charles Blaker, 1835 - 1896 "Love is strong as death". Also his wife Jane Rosalie Redstone, afterwards wife of John Richard Eyre, died August 5th, 1915.

Sacred to the memory of William Blaker of Worthing died March 30th 1861 in the 76th year of his age. Also of Elizabeth the dearly loved wife of the above. Died July 11th 1867 in the 77th year of her age.

Sacred to the memory of Elizabeth Margaret the beloved daughter of William & Elizabeth Blaker of Worthing who departed this life on the 27th of Feb 1847. Aged 29 years. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

Sacred to the memory of Ellen the beloved daughter of William & Elizabeth Blaker who departed this life on the 2? day of January (1813 or 1843) Age 19 years.

In memory of Baruch Blaker who died January the 29th, 1816 ages 76 years.

In memory of Jenny(?) Blaker wife of Baruch Blaker who died April the 24th 1826. Age 74 years.

Here lyeth the body of Frances the wife of Baruch Blaker and daughter of Edw and Frances Grover who died the 20th of Feb. 1772. Aged 37 years.

Memory of Frances Elizabeth the beloved child of Frederick and Frances Elizabeth Blaker of Worthing who departed this life 2nd December 1831. Age 6 years and 4 months.

Sacred to the memory of John Blaker late of this parish. Died 3rd April 1849. Age 73 years.

Sacred to the memory of Jemima wife of John Blaker. Died 17th of Oct. 1826. Age 47 years.

James son of John & Jemima Blaker who died in his infancy.

ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH, LANCING, SUSSEX.

Sacred to the memory of James Blaker who died 1855. Aged 72 years. Also of Joseph & Edward sons of James & Mary Blaker. Joseph Oct. 10th, 1826. Age 7 months. And Edward was drowned at sea Jan. 20th, 1846. Age 21 years. Also of Sarah Lucy daughter of Charles & Lucy Blaker. She died at Port Elizabeth Dec. 26th 1851. Age 1 year 1 month.

Sacred to the memory of Mary of the late James Blaker of this parish who died 5th Sept. 1863. Age 72 years.

In memory of Nathanael Blaker who departed this life the 31st of March 1842. Age 62. Also of Hannah wife of above. Died Nov 29th 1864. Age 87.

BLAKER - SHIPWRIGHTS OF HAMPSHIRE

The following information concerns the first generation of four who were engaged in the shipbuildings trade. It is printed with the kind permission of Miss Tessa Davis of Hampshire.

John Blaker
Born 1754

Elizabeth Callen
Born 1754

Buried 21 May 1804
Beaulieu, Hants.
aged 50

Died 27 May 1838 6 AM
Bucklershard,
Parish of Beaulieu,
Aged 84 - Debility

Married 22 June 1777

Beaulieu,

Witnesses Thomas Terrey, Sarah Callen

Occupation: Probably shipwright

Shopkeeper
at time of death

Address: Mainly Beaulieu
1785 Hamble
1790 Pitts Deep, Beaulieu
1838 Buckler's Hard, Beaulieu

Children: Baptised at Beaulieu except Mary

Edward bapt. 19 May 1778

Shipwright

John bapt. 10 Oct 1779 bur 13 Nov 1780 or Nov 1, 1789

Robert bapt. 26 June 1781

Shipwright

Martha bapt. 8 Jan 1783

Mary bapt. 3 Apr. 1785 Hamble mar. William Brown 27 Feb. 1812
St. Lawrence, Southampton

John bapt. 7 Apr. 1790 Pitts Deep

Shipwright

Susanna bapt. 26 Dec. 1790

William bapt. 24 Jan. 1796

Shipwright

Sarah

bur. 6 Nov. 1797

Leah

Rachel twins bapt. 9 Apr. 1799 bur. 16 Apr. 1799.

The 1851 census of Brighton, Sussex, shows the following, living at 100 Church St..

John Blaker Head 50 Coach Maker & Grocer Born Brighton

Frances " Wife 52

Fulking

Fanny " Dau. 16

Brighton

Ellen " " 14

"

Eliza " " 11 Scholar

"

Arthur " Son 9 "

"

By this time the eldest son, John George, was not living with his parents. Rod Blaker, M.P., founder of the Blaker F.H.S., is descended from Arthur, who is shown as age 9. The lineage of Rod Blaker has been traced back to Arthur Blaker of Cuckfield, whose will, dated 28 Aug. 1618, appeared in Issue 823 of the Newsletter. We have been unable to trace the lineage prior to Arthur. Anyone know?

EXTRACTS FROM POST 1858 WILLS AT SOMERSET HOUSE, LONDON

Continued from issue 824.

1897

Eds
Edward Spencer Blaker of 3 Russell St., Calcutta, India, physician and surgeon, died 16 Jan. 1897. Probate London 23 Oct. to Arthur Becket Blaker, esquire.

1897

Opposite
William Baruch Blaker of 23 Alexandra Rd., Selhurst, Surrey, died 9 March 1897. Probate London 20 May to Samuel Blaker, builder.

1898

Linked
Harriet Blaker of Worthing, widow, died 16 Jan. 1898. Admin. London 2 March to James Blaker, builder.

1898

Linked
James Blaker of Worthing, Sussex, died 1 Sept. 1897. Probate London 5 Jan. to James Blaker, builder, and John Bennett Lee, timber merchant.

1898

Margaret Blaker of 2 Bexley Lane, Crayford, Kent, widow, died 8 March 1898. Probate London 30 March to Arthur Thomas Viney Blaker, commercial clerk, and William Tapley Viney, draper.

1900

Linked
Frederick George Blaker of 32 Warwick St., Worthing, ironmonger's assistant, died 17 March 1900. Admin. London 14 May to Frederick Blaker, ironmonger.

1900

Linked
Horace Campbell Blaker of Calcutta, India, died 12 May 1900. Probate London 26 Sept. to Kate Blaker, widow.

1900

Sarah Trangmar Blaker of 49a Cannon St., Brighton, spinster, died 3 Jan. 1900. Probate Lewes 6 Feb. to Mary Trangmar, spinster, John Maddocks, gent., and Cecil Somers Clarke, solicitor.

1900

William Blaker of 85 Northam Rd., Southampton, iron moulder, died 27 Oct. 1900. Admin. Winchester 13 Dec. to Mary Ann Blaker, widow.

It is indeed desirable to be well descended but the glory belongs to our ancestors. - Plutarch.

PARISH REGISTER OF BRIGHTON, SUSSEX, 1558 - 1658.

(This list gives Blaker entries only.)

- Sept. 26, 1589, bapt. Agnes dau. of Harrie.
 Dec. 10, 1643, Bapt. Agnes dau. of John.
 Feb. 5, 1615, Anthony Masson married Agnes Blaker.
 Jan. 30, 1621, Bapt. Edward son of John.
 Feb. 22, 1622, Buried Edward son of John.
 March 20, 1607, Elizabeth dau. of Henry buried.
 ✓ Aug. 23, 1592, Rapt. Harrie son of Harrie.
 ✓ Feb. 2, 1594, John son of Henry bapt.
 April 19, 1605, Sarah dau. of Henry bapt.
 March 21, 1607, Joane dau. of Henry bapt.
 ✓ 1589 March 15, 1589, Harrie married Agnes Gunn.
 April 2, 1608, Joane dau. of Henry buried.
 Dec. 30, 1611, Joane dau. of Henry buried.
 Jan. 5, 1612, Harry son of Henry buried.
 Nov. 23, 1626, Buried Henry Blaker, householder.
 ✓ Sept. 15, 1572, Joane married John Halfpenie.
 Sept. 26, 1638, Joan wife of John buried.
 April 16, 1643, Joan wife of John buried.
 May 5, 1613, John married Joan Vell.
 Jan. 15, 1641, John married Joane Hoames.
 Aug. 1, 1644, John married Elizabeth Sturt, widow.
 Nov. 23, 1617, John son of John buried.
 March 23, 1658, Published banns between John Blaker
 of St. John's, Lewes, husbandman, and Mary Adams.
 Nov. 16, 1640, Richard Lane married Susan Blaker.

From SUSSEX NOTES & QUERIES.

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Sussex entries in London Parish Registers..

Holy Trinity, Cloudesley Square, Islington.

May 7, 1835. Edgar Blaker of All Saints in the Borough of
Lewes, Sussex, and Amelia Renshaw of this parish married.

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Seatholders of St. Michaels Church, Lewes, in 1803.

Seat 36 - John Blaker.

Middle Gallery - John Blaker.

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Sussex Subsidies in 1327.

Villata de Cokefield (Cuckfield)

Willo Blaker 2-10½ (a large amount compared with others)

Note: This is, probably, the earliest entry found to
Blakers in Sussex.SUSSEX MARRIAGE LICENCES

- Dec. 30, 1768. Baruch Blaker of Sompting, carpenter, aged
above 21, and Frances Grover, aged above 21.
 Nov. 26, 1778. Baruch Blaker of Sompting, carpenter, widower,
and Jenny Stubbs of Sompting.
 Oct. 12, 1768. William Blaker of Goring, yeoman, aged 38,
and Mary Whellington of Goring, aged 38.

WILLS

Our feature "Old Wills" - 1858 and earlier continues but we shall, in this issue, publish extracts from the "not so old" so that more readers may link up.

John Blaker of Brighton, Coachmaker.
 Wife Elizabeth Ann Blaker.
 Sons William and John.
 James Wood of Brighton, Wheelwright.
 Richard Gorringe of Brighton, Cordwainer.
 Wife Elizabeth Ann and sons John & William executors.
 Will written 19 Dec. 1838.
 Witnesses by Tho. Benson, Solr., Brighton, Frederick Benson, his clerk.
 Will proved 2 April 1845.

Francis Blaker of Lindfield, Patten maker & grocer.
 My dear wife Mary Blaker.
 Friends John Tanner Trangman, Grocer,
 William Trangman, Milkman.
 Anthony Trangman, Grocer.
 All and every of my children now born or hereafter to be born, Mary Blaker, John Tanner Trangman, William Trangman and Anthony Trangman Executrix & Executors.
 Will dated 17 Jan. 1833.
 Wit. Thomas Freeman Solf, Ambrose Parsons,
 Thos. Burchett, his clerke.
 Francis Blaker later of Lindfield but at time of his death of Brighthelmston.
 Will proved 1 Nov. 1838.

*Blaker family
Sussex
to whom
I my beards*

Nathaniel Blaker of Portslade, Gentleman.
 My seven children.
 Elizabeth wife of Thomas Turner.
 Barbara wife of the Reverend Samuel Clarke.
 Nathaniel, John, George, Edward, Harry.
 My two children, Catherine, Cordelia.
 My two sons; Thomas & Charles.
 Sons Nathaniel & George joint executors.
 Will dated 14 April 1815.
 Wit: James Newnum, William Chapman, Thos. Attier.
 Will proved 6 Aug. 1815. Value £25,000.

Francis Blaker of Lindfield, Sussex, Cordwainer.
 Nov. 10, 1763.
 Sarah my loving wife.
 (late the estate of my father in law, Thomas Dobson, dec.)
 Son Thomas Blaker and my son Arthur Blaker.
 In occupation of Edward Batchelor Taylor.
 Occupation Henry Chatfield.
 Sons Francis & John Blaker.
 My four sons aforesaid.
 My loving wife sole executrix.
 Wit: William Powell, John Bates, John Wood.
 Will proved 6 Nov. 1766.

Wills cont'd.

William Blaker of Kingston by Sea or Kingston Bowsey.
Yeoman.

Nephew Joseph Chapman

Nephew William Chapman and his brother John Chapman
and their sister Sarah Chapman.

Neice Frances Hedgcock.

Wife Ann Blaker.

My brothers John Blaker, Nathaniel Blaker and my sisters
Frances Hedgcock and Sarah Foster.

Wife Ann Blaker executrix.

Will dated 12 Sept. 1749.

Wit: Edward Smith, Hugh Carter and W. Grover.

Will proved 21 Feb. 1752.

Edward Blaker of Buckingham within the parish of Old
Shoreham, yeoman.

Wife Elizabeth Blaker.

Daughter Barbara Blaker.

Two sons Edward Blaker and William Blaker.

My said wife Elizabeth and of her mother the said
Barbara Seager's uncle & brothers Nery (?) on Masters
and William Blaker & Nathaniel Blaker overseers.

My wife Elizabeth sole executrix.

Will dated 17 Dec. 1738.

Wit: M. Michaell, John Pollard, John Bowsler, John Grover.

Will proved 2 Aug. 1746.

Edward Blaker of Kingston Bowsey alias Kingston by Sea, Gent.

My son in law William Chapman, my daughter Sarah, his wife.

My sons Edward Blaker, junr. and John Blaker.

My daughter Frances wife of John Hedgcock.

Sarah wife of the above said William Chapman.

My daughter Susanna now wife of Richard Heech.

My daughter Anne Blaker.

My two sons William and Nathaniel Blaker.

William & Nathaniel sole executors.

Will written 12 Dec. 1724.

John Blaker of Heathfield, yeoman.

My cousin Frances Laurence, daughter of my sister
Laurence of Gestling, decd.

My father Blaker.

Thomas Parkes my apprentice.

My son Thomas Durrant of Battle.

Mary my loving wife sole executor.

Will dates 21 June 1700.

Wit: Jno Fuller, Tho Gower jun., Chr. Smith.

Will proved 6 Aug. 1700.