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## From the Editor's desk

Some of you will be able to read this at our 4th. Biennial gathering at Swynnerton on the 5th. September. We have come a long way since that day in September

1975 when. with some misgivings, I invited the family to come to our ancestral home at Swynnerton for the first time. I had no idea how many would come, what it would be like or how we would all get on together.

I needn't have worried, we all got on famously - the common link of 'belonging' soon broke down the barriers and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. New friendships were made and old ones renewed, long lost relatives found and in some cases new relatives discovered. This has continued to be the pattern and I am most grateful to you for your support over the years. Sadly, some of the early participants dropped out - perhaps they only came out of curiosity and weren't keen on all those Swinnertons after all. Or was it that they were apprehensive about what we might discover in our researches?!. Well, of course, we have discovered skeletons in the cupboard and I have no doubt we shall unearth more but in this enlightened age nobody worries very much and what -ever they got up to, they are still the people who gave rise to us,warts and all!

This year we are welcoming quite a few members attending for the first time and we are expecting a sizeable contingent from across the Atlantic. We also have one very special guest - Mrs. Kate Prosser who is my secretary and who has printed every journal, newsletter and form since we started and from long before that, has typed hundreds of letters to you all over the world. I think she knows your histories nearly as well as I do. We do owe her a very great deal and I would like to record our very sincere thanks to her. Now she is going to see, for the first time what you actually look like.

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## HOW WE/YOU TRACE YOUR FAMILY HISTORY (4)

It has been said that the true mark of a genealogist is that whenever he picks up a book, he first turns to the Index to see if his name is there ! Certainly any printed book or record may give us information about our family and its background but there are some that we should always consult.

The first of these are Directories. From the late 18th Century, many local directories were published; they usually give a brief history and description of the area followed by a list of all the gentry, tradesmen and householders. They can be seen in most local libraries and some have been reprinted in facsimile because of the public demand. The earliest I have consulted for Staffordshire is Bailey's British Dictionary of 1784 and in there we find listed THOMAS SWINNERTON, grocer of Newcastle. I have published many of these in previous issues of this journal.

Then there are the directories which deal with specialist occupations - Crockford's Directory for Clergymen; the Army, Navy and Air Force Lists; the books dealing with registered Architects, Surveyors, Doctors & Lawyers to quote just a few. Almost every profession has its own list. Many of the major Schools and Universities have published lists of scholars, prize-winners, graduates, etc. We check all these for possible ancestors or relations.

Crockford's Directory for 1937 gives :-

Swinnerton John, University of Oxford BA 3rd class  
Th. 1901, MA 1905, Deacon 1901, Priest 1902, Llan.  
C. of Magor 1901-04, St.Brides Minor 1904-08,  
Hensworth 1908-10. Vicar of Tolishant Major 1910-  
26 Llan.

A complete record of a man's career - most useful.

Secondly, there are the APPRENTICESHIP ROLLS of which I printed an example in a previous issue. Boys were bound by indentures for a term of years and the document was signed by both the master and the parents. Originally there was no central registry of these; a few town and parish registers have survived but after the Apprenticeship Indenture Act of 1710, a Government registry was maintained and the originals are now at the P.R.O. An index of all those between 1710 and 1774, a difficult research period, is held at the Society of Genealogists.

After apprenticeship the boy often became a liveryman and records of all the London livery companies exist and can be searched for you for a small fee. Consult the Clerk of the appropriate company or the City Chamberlain.

It is surprising how often even the most ordinary families find they have a connection with the peerage.

Throughout British history families have risen or fallen in the social scale according to their ability and character. We therefore never omit to consult the various PEERAGE REGISTERS. The best known of these are Cockayne's, Collins', Dodd's and the modern Burke's and Debrett's. We look also at Walford's 'County Families' and at 'Burke's Commoners' (later 'Burke's Landed Gentry').

There is also 'Who's Who' and its many companion volumes such as 'Who Was Who', 'Who's Who in the Theatre', 'Who's Who in Staffordshire', etc. If the ancestor had some particular claim to fame he will probably be in the 'Dictionary of National Biography', commonly shortened to 'D.N.B.' (the only Swinnerton in there is Thomas, the Heretic Preacher - see Who Was Who in the Swinnerton Family No.1).

In short, we always look at any reference book giving lists of people; they are always arranged alphabetically or indexed so it only takes a moment and it can give us valuable leads.

## SWINNERTONS IN INDUSTRY (1)

### SWINNERTONS OF HANLEY LTD.

### POTTERY MANUFACTURERS

A large firm of pottery manufacturers in Hanley which has had a comparatively recent history is that of Swinnertons and its subsidiary Alcock, Lindley & Bloore Ltd.

The business was founded by Bertram J. Swinnerton, the son of a potter's manager who started in business as an earthenware factor at the Vulcan Works (also known as the New Street Works) in Burton Place, Hanley. The major part of the business was concerned with the sole agency and jobbing control for the British Isles of J. & G. Meakin's products which were claimed to be the largest and most complete line of Granite and Semi-porcelain shapes ever offered. Swinnerton decorated some of the white earthenware that he obtained from the manufacturers and then offered it as his own line, in particular he made a speciality of toilet sets which he referred to as his strongest line.

Although Swinnerton was successful with his business, he found it difficult at times to obtain supplies from the manufacturers. It was for this reason that he decided to become a manufacturer himself. It was at this stage that he was joined by Walter Lindley. Walter was the son of Ralph Lindley who had been a farmer near Macclesfield but who later became a publican, moving to Cobridge to become the landlord of the North Road Hotel. Walter became what was called a half-timer at the age of nine, not because he had to but because his friends were doing the same. He used to spend half a day at school and the other half in handle making at a local factory. On leaving school at thirteen, he became a full-time hollowware presser. Later he learned mould-making and modelling but at the same time he attended the local School of Art Technology in order to improve his education.

It happened by chance that at the age of twenty-two, he saw an advertisement in a local paper in which a Portuguese

factory was requiring an experienced modeller and mould-maker. He applied for the job and was accepted, much against the advice that was offered to him by his employer who did not want to lose him. On arrival in Portugal Lindley soon found his feet. Starting in his original occupation, he was soon appointed a foreman. A year later he was given the post of general manager on the understanding that he could manage the factory on British lines instead of in the very primitive way it was then being run.

His ability was responsible for a complete reorganisation - instead of operatives working long hours they now worked English hours, resulting in more efficiency. The products of the factory now became tea-sets and dinner-sets of an improved quality instead of odd pieces of inferior quality. Under Mr. Lindley's supervision the factory also developed into one of the largest earthenware manufacturing concerns in the world producing general earthenware, sanitary ware and tiles. He was so successful that he decided to retire at the age of forty-three when he and his wife returned to England to live in retirement. However, he soon got bored after having such an active life and, as a result, he became a consultant potter.

In 1911 he was persuaded by Bertram Swinnerton to join him in starting a manufacturing business. Having looked round for a suitable factory, they purchased the Chelsea Pottery in Broad Street, Hanley from Messrs. Cartlidge & Matthias who were manufacturers of earthenware. The factory, a small one with only two ovens, employed about thirty people and had in 1893 been described as the best equipped in Hanley.

The New Street Works which had been used for warehousing and decorating was disposed of in about 1913.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

## WHAT IS A GENEALOGIST ?

A genealogist is a person who traces pedigrees and compiles family histories. He studies the story of a family, generation by generation recording dates and places of birth, marriage and death for each member of that family. He collects any available information about the lives of the people he lists. These details may be gathered from personal recollections or from printed sources.

*I have no idea whose definition this is or where it came from, I found it in one of my files. However it is a good, concise explanation although today we prefer the title 'Family Historian'. The third sentence is the important one - a mere collection of names and dates is very uninteresting*

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### INDEX OF MEMBERS RETURNED TO PARLIAMENT - at the PRO (in the Round Room)

#### Part I 1213-1702

Swynerton, Humfridus	co.Stafford	1455
Swynnerton, "	Stafford	1554
Swynerton, Sir John, kt.	East Grinstead	1603
Swynnerton, John	Petersfield	1601,
" " de	co.Stafford	1322, 1326, 1328
		<b>1335</b>
" John de, miles	" "	1327
Swynerton, Johannes	" "	1402
" Robertus	" "	1378
Swynnerton, Rogerus de	" "	1337
" Thomas de	co. Salop	1343
" " "	co.Stafford	1343

#### PART II 1705-1885 - none.

(ex Mrs. Muriel Reson)

## SELATTYN: A HISTORY OF THE PARISH

"1781. MORRIS SWINNERTON, whose body underwent an Inquisition at the Eagles bur. Sep.19

The Swinnertons were of Oswestry. Sir John Swinnerton (Grandson of Rich. Swinnerton of Oswestry) was Lord Mayor, 1612. A banquet was given when he was Master of the Merchant Taylors Co. to King James I, cost £1061. - See Mem. of Merchant Taylors by Clode, pp.151 - 177. Sir John left by will, 1616, a charity of £5 4s. for bread, to Oswestry."

Here we have the same statement as in Stow's Survey of London of 1618 (see SFH. Vol.1 No.4). Stow also said that Sir John Swynnerton, Lord Mayor of London, was grandson to RICHARD Swinnerton of Oswestry. I wish we could prove this but the Oswestry records for that period are very scanty. Certainly Richard was a common Christian name amongst the Oswestry family and Sir John named his second son so but the first entry for a Swinnerton in the Oswestry Registers is not until 1614 so at present we just do not know.

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### HISTORY of ST.PANCRAS

#### Library of the Society of Genealogists.

1811. A lease was vested in a MR.SWINNERTON who kept the White Hart Inn at Colnbrook.

(ex Miss Eunice Wilson)

This is SAMUEL again of the Gloucestershire Family mentioned in our last issue. In that article I mistakenly attributed Mrs.Marjorie Culley & Mr.Philip Culley to this branch for which I apologise, they in fact come from the Yorkshire family.

From Mrs. Joy Robinson, 33 The Green, Brill, Aylesbury.

Dear Colonel,

The enclosed extracts may possibly be of some interest.. I came on them when I was reading through some 'Recollections' by my grandfather recently. My paternal grandparents were Philip & Jane Rathbone of Greenbank Cottage, Liverpool. (The house is now an R.C. Nursing Home).

I am sorry I could not take photocopies - the originals were on rough paper and would not reproduce.

Yours sincerely,  
Joy Robinson  
(Member of B.M.S.G.H.)

"1895 LONDON

On the 30th April Philip gave a dinner party to 30 visitors - (This was at the Metropole in London where they attended the private view of the Royal Academy).

The Lord Mayor of Liverpool

Ethel & Rowland Whitehead (my aunt & uncle)

Elfrida Rathbone (another aunt)

Mr. & Mrs. Stott of Oldham

Mr. Gilchrist

Miss Severn

Arthur Severn

Mr. Dobson

**MR. & MRS. SWINNERTON**

David Muncy

S .... Lea

Mrs. Davies

Miss Lacy

Miss Wood

Mr. Dyall

Mr. Jennings

Mr. Whyke Dayness (?)

Mr. Hartrop

Everything was handsomely served and the conversation most brilliant.

At Greenbank Cottage, nr. Liverpool our next visitors were **Mr. & Mrs. SWINNERTON** and Mr. Jacomb Hood who all came to hang the Autumn Exhibition. (At the Walker Art Gallery). Mrs. Swinnerton got overtired and was some days rather wearisome to me. She enlarged greatly on her difficulties of married life, her husband having recently become a convert to the Catholic faith. We invited Mr. Brodrick to stay and meet them .... Cardinal Vaughan came to Liverpool on a Mission to St. Ann's Church, Edge Hill. Our visitors

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to my astonishment preferred to go to the old Monastery Church.

On the 30th of this month the Great Dinner (at the W.A. Gallery) was held, I was the only lady except MRS. SWINNERTON and received the Lord Mayor and Miss Watts and all the people .....

Our guests stayed 3 weeks and we were very sorry to part with Mr. Jacomb Hood.

Philip died the following November, Jane died in 1906."

*I am afraid I am unable to identify this Mr. & Mrs Swinnerton at the moment, there were several branches of the family in and out of Liverpool at the time - can anyone say who they were?*

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PASTON LETTERS, Letter IX

One Swynerton & Bradshaw both men of Sir Humphrey Stafford, slain at battle of Coventry.

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MEMORANDA ROLLS

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE

No. 217. Respite to ROGER DE SWYNNERTON of his account as Constable of the Tower but he is in the retinue of Edward Duke of Aquitaine, earl of Chester, count of Ponthieu and Montreuil, our eldest son and employed about his business. Teste Edwardo, etc.  
Hereford 13 Nov. 1326

No. 2270. Exch. K.R. Account 383/10. (ii) Baneretti Regis: Dominus ROGERUS de SWINERTON (and others).  
(King's Banneret).

No. 1772. Salop, Staffs. Distress of ROGER de SWYNNERTON to account for Ekeksdale castle and manor, late in the king's hand by the vacancy of the bishopric of Coventry and Lichfield. Witness W. de Norwyco 22 Feb 1326. (This is a Returnable Writ).

(ex Mrs. Muriel Reson)

## THEY SERVED THEIR KING AND COUNTRY (1)

WILLIAM SWINNERTON = ?  
born late 1700's  
(WS. 112)

WILLIAM = Amelia  
SWINNERTON Williams  
b. circa 1820 24 Nov 1845  
(aged 25 on marr.) Calcutta  
d. b. c. 1841  
Soldier (aged 14 on marr.)  
(WS. 113)

WILLIAM  
bp. 4 Apr 1847  
Subathoo  
prob. d. inf.  
1847  
(WS. 114)

AMELIA E. ....  
bp. 1849  
Bengal

HENRY CHARLES  
bp. 3 Jun 1851  
Gowhatty  
(HS. 102)

EDWARD  
bp. 25 Sep 1853  
Agra  
(ES. 191)

ROBERT WILLIAM = Thurza Frances  
Johanna Cullen Craig  
bp. 20 Jan 1856 22 Dec 1891  
Dum Dum Bombay  
Civil Engineer d. 17 Apr 1905  
Toronto (RS. 96) Ramsgate

FREDERICK THOMAS  
bp. 23 Nov 1858  
Agra  
d.  
(FS. 68)

JOHN CHRISTOPHER = Alice Flora  
Scott  
bp. 21 Jan 1869 8 Sep 1896  
Allahabad Murree  
d. b. c. 1866  
(JS. 341)

MARIA DELICHIA (MS. 199)  
bp. 12 Aug 1861  
Fort William, Calcutta

FLORENCE LOUISA (FS. 69)  
bp. 23 Dec 1866  
Allahabad

AYSCEAU FRANCIS  
ROBERT WILLIAM  
b. 10 Oct 1892  
Bolarum  
Killed in action  
1 Mar 1917 Vimy  
(AS. 107)

ABERFFRAW AYLMER = Mary Myrtle  
Armstrong  
b. 13 Oct 1893 16 Sep 1922  
Hyderabad Toronto  
(AS. 106) b. 26 Apr 1899  
Toronto

JOAN THURZA (JS. 284)  
b. 1 Feb 1924  
Toronto  
= Derek Dawkins  
1948  
Sutton, Surrey

THURZA FRANCES  
ELSIE (TS. 106)  
b. 28 Feb 1903  
Ramsgate  
d. 17 Apr 1963  
Toronto

VIOLET SCOTT  
(VS. 9)  
b. 1897  
Rawalpindi

DOROTHY PHYLLIS  
SCOTT (DS. 55)  
bp. 13 Apr 1902  
Rawalpindi

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1890  
Umballa

AMELIA DELISHA  
SERGENT (AS. 138)  
bp. 16 May 1871  
Allahabad

### William Swinnerton's Service

1845 Corporal H. C<sup>as</sup>. 1st European Light Infantry  
1847 Sgt. K. C. (or H. C.) 1st. En. B. Fusiliers  
1851 Sgt. Major 2nd A. L. Infantry  
1853 Sgt. Major 47th Regt. N. I.  
1856 Sgt. Major  
1858 Conductor of Ordnance  
to  
1871 (last mention yet known)

To start our new series, here is a splendid example of service in the old Indian Army. The place names are all straight out of Kipling. Researched from the Indian Army Records in London by Pauline Saul, we think this is the William who appeared in the 1841 Census at the military barracks at Canterbury and that his father William may well be the one who married Elizabeth Sargent at St. Giles, Camberwell on the 29th. April 1816 and from whom our members Alan John Swinnerton. Mrs. Mary Martin and the late husband of member Mrs. Marjorie Swinnerton are descended.



Bookplate used by the  
Reverend Henry Ulyate Swinnerton  
of America

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### History of St. Pancras

1811 - a lease was vested in a Mr. Swinnerton who kept the White Hart Inn at Colebrook.

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Mr. C. HYDE, Surgeon, late of Loughborough.—“I have had frequent opportunities of trying the merits of ‘Hoskin's Tooth-ache Specific,’ and upon every occasion immediate relief was the result.”

J. NOBLE, Esq., J. P. of Boston.—“Hoskin's Tooth-ache Specific is a most invaluable article.”

R. PORTER, Bookseller, Beeston.—“In every instance it has been the means as it professes, of affording instant relief.”

SAMUEL FOSTER, South Street, Sneinton.—“After 24 years of suffering, and having tried every means that I could think of, I was cured by ‘Hoskin's Specific.’”

From the late J. BRIDGFORD, Esq., *Iris* Office, Sheffield.—“Among other remedies I tried ‘Hoskin's Tooth-ache Specific,’ and I experienced the greatest relief.”

Mr. NETTLESHIP, Chemist, Leicester.—“I have great pleasure in bearing testimony to the merits of ‘Hoskin's Specific,’ having witnessed its surprising effects in several instances.”

From Mr. Hill, Farmer, Kneeton, Bingham, Nottinghamshire, and Mrs. BAINES, of Hoveringham Ferry.—“Recently a party of ladies were on a visit at Hoveringham, for the purpose of fishing, when two or three of them were severely afflicted with the Tooth-ache; hearing that Mr. Hill had a bottle of ‘Hoskin's Specific’ by him, it was sent for, and on a portion being applied, it afforded instant relief.”

From Mr. PLUMB, Proprietor of the *Midland Gazette*.—“The late head Master of the National School, Sutton-in-Ashfield, was in the habit of purchasing the ‘Specific’ for the children under his charge, when suffering from pains in the teeth and gums, and his report to me was, that it was eminently beneficial in every instance.”

⚠ The Specific is free from poisonous ingredients, and may be administered with safety to a child.

*Want of space prevents the publication of a much greater number of Testimonials.*

Sold Wholesale by Barclay & Co., Farringdon St., London, and Sutton & Co., Bow Church Yard.

Mr. A. SCOTT, late 42, Trongate, Glasgow.—“I have myself seen many striking proofs of the efficacy of ‘Hoskin's Specific.’ I have no hesitation in saying, that it is the best thing of the kind ever discovered.”

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“We cannot but congratulate our readers upon the discovery of a remedy whereby this painful disease may be cured. In numberless instances, in this and the surrounding neighbourhood, ‘Hoskin's Tooth-ache Specific’ has been tried with unvarying success.”—*Nottingham Mercury*, Oct. 16, 1846.

From Mr. GALLIMORE, Bookseller, Chesterfield.—“I cannot find words to express the high estimation in which I hold ‘Hoskin's Tooth-ache Specific,’ its use, in this neighbourhood, has been attended with the most signal success, and you are not only at liberty to mention my name as a reference, but I shall also be glad to answer any inquiries.”—*Chesterfield*, 10th, 1848.

From Mr. TURNER, Chemist, Tickhill.—“In every instance where the ‘Specific’ has been used in this neighbourhood, it has proved an instant cure.”

From Mr. ROE, Chemist, Ollerton.—“The ‘Specific’ has been used with the most extraordinary success by many persons in this neighbourhood.”

Mrs. SWINNERTON, Market Place, Nuneaton, Warwickshire, suffered with the Tooth-ache for six months successively; after applying ‘Hoskin's Tooth-ache Specific,’ immediate relief was given.

Mr. WATKINSON, Proprietor of the *Spalding Free Press*.—“While residing in Nottingham, my wife suffered much from Tooth-ache, and having heard of ‘Hoskin's Specific,’ she sought its aid, and was immediately relieved. The same effect was produced by it on myself last May; since which time I have not suffered from Tooth-ache.”

## WHO'S WHO IN THE SWINNERTON SOCIETY (1)

A new series of potted biographies of our members which will also show you to which branch of the family they belong and their relationship to each other.

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### Mrs. D. R. HASZARD

Mrs. Dyonese Haszard is the only member of our Society descended from the Butternon Branch which became extinct in the male line in 1836 in the person of THOMAS SWINNERTON. She is a descendant of his sister ANNE SWINNERTON (1735-1786) who married the Rev. Walter Bagot of Blithfield.

### B. R. G. SWINNERTON

BARRIE RONALD GEORGE SWINNERTON is the son of Ronald Thomas Swinnerton of Stafford, a former member of our Society, (1916-1979) and Delia May Turner. Mr. Swinnerton is a Sales Engineer and is a member of the Adbaston Branch (see Swinnerton of Adbaston, Table 1. SFH.4 No.4 pp 54/55).

### Mrs. E. KING

Mrs. Eunice King (nee SWINNERTON) is the daughter of Edwin Swinnerton (1882-1966) and Bathia Currie and a sister of our members Roy and Douglas Swinnerton of the famous cycling family. Cousin to member Cyril Swinnerton, she is a member of our Potteries branch and a great-great-granddaughter of the founder of this branch - Thomas Swinnerton, a Potter.

### A. SWINNERTON

ARTHUR SWINNERTON is the son of Thomas Swinnerton of Madeley (1881-1956) and Gertrude Pearce and a great-great grandson of William Swinnerton of Betley. Mr. Swinnerton was a civil servant before retirement and can be found on the Tree of Swinnerton of Betley Table 2b (SFH.4 No.1 pp 6/7).

### Mrs. W. D. SEELEY

Mrs. Edythe Seeley is the daughter of our late member Mrs. Anne Barnard and is descended from the branch of the family who went from Ireland to Canada in the 19th century.

### Miss C. A. SWINNERTON

Miss CONSTANCE ALICE SWINNERTON is the younger daughter of Richard Swinnerton of Chester (1865-1950) and Lucy Stretton, a sister to members Miss E.D. Swinnerton and Mrs. W.S. Swinnerton and Aunt to Dr. Guy Swinnerton. A retired school-teacher, she is a member of the Chester branch (see SFH. Vol.1, No.7 p.26)

### MRS. W. M. STEILL

Mrs. Margaret Ethel Steill is the granddaughter of HANNAH SWINNERTON (1865-1961) who married James Pettigrew. Hannah was a daughter of John Swinnerton and Jane Rees, John being a grandson of Ralph Swinnerton of Betley. Mrs. Steill and Mrs. Hazel Jones thus share a close line of descent.

## FAMILY NOTES

Our most sincere congratulations go to our member Professor HUGH SWYNNERTON THOMAS on his creation as a Life Peer. He has taken as his title Lord THOMAS of SWYNNERTON and was introduced into the House of Lords on Tuesday the 7th July 1981 by Lord Gladwyn (his father-in-law) and Lord Vaizey. He was very quickly off the mark and made his maiden speech on Defence on the 20th July.

Congratulations of a different sort to Miss PAULA SWINNERTON on her marriage to Captain Timothy Richard Barrett of the King's Own Border Regiment on the 4th July. A full-dress military wedding is always great fun and this was no exception - full dress uniforms, Guard of Honour, swords everywhere, Trumpeters, etc. As her father, the Rev. EDWARD SWINNERTON conducted the ceremony, I had the honour of giving the Bride away. The couple have now gone to live in Berlin where Tim's Regiment is currently stationed.

Congratulations next on two marriages that took place 60 years ago. On the 18th June our member Mr. ALBERT RICHARD SWINNERTON celebrated the Diamond Anniversary of his wedding to Miss Dorothy Vincent in London on the 18th June 1921. This was followed by a lifetime's service in India and we are happy to see them both still going strong and enjoying a long retirement in Eastbourne.

On the 22nd August, our member Mr. WILLIAM SWINNERTON celebrated the Diamond Anniversary of his wedding. Mr. Swinnerton, who is well known to many of us from his attendance at family gatherings, spent his life in the steel industry at the famous mills at Shotton and was awarded the B.E.M. for his achievements there. He is the elder statesman of the Betley family and we wish he and his wife many more Anniversaries.

We congratulate also our Vice-President, Mr. FRANK SWINNERTON on his 97th Birthday on the 12th August - still going strong and still writing books - remarkable!

Congratulations also to BRIAN & GLYNIS SWINNERTON of Liverpool on the birth of a daughter, CAROLINE, on the 14th July - a bonnie baby indeed at 10 lbs 10 ozs!

Finally, our congratulations to Mrs. Annabel Wade (nee Swinnerton) on the birth of a daughter, Joanna Helen, on the 23rd March.

## CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Mrs. J. E. Byfield to [REDACTED]

C. L. Swinnerton to [REDACTED]

New members continue to come in as a result of Joe Swinnerton's publicity and we welcome the following :

Mrs. SYBIL M. SAWBRIDGE (nee Swinnerton),

First cousin of our members Frank Cecil Swinnerton, Miss Lucy Swinnerton and Mrs. N. M. Scott (we are all cousins in some degree !)

DENNIS FRANCIS SWINNERTON,

GORDON GEORGE SWENERTON

Mrs. MARION HOULSTON

(a previously unknown cousin of your editor)

Mrs. HANNAH SWINNERTON

Mr. BERTRAM SWINNERTON



David Swinnerton

David Swinnerton ACMA, financial director of Salford Electrical Instruments Ltd, has been appointed financial director of Satchwell Controls Ltd. His responsibilities will cover the financial control of the international and domestic Satchwell companies. Satchwell Controls is a recently formed holding company consisting of all the Satchwell companies in the UK and Abroad, Salford Electrical Instruments, and Londex.

All these companies are part of GEC, and the Satchwell group will now be part of the newly formed GEC-Avery Co. Mr Swinnerton will continue to be based at the Eccles headquarters of Salford Electrical Instruments.

Congratulations to Mr.Swinnerton too but who is he ?

*BIRMINGHAM POST* 200 YEARS AGO 24/4/51.

A few days ago, as two young men were digging in a sand pit at the Ridgeway, near Alcester, the ground suddenly gave way and before any assistance could be given them, they were unhappily suffocated.—*Aris's Birmingham Gazette*, June 1781.

**100 YEARS AGO**

Yesterday afternoon, as Mrs. Swinnerton Heap was walking in fields between Bath Lane and Lansdown Road, Edgbaston, she was attacked by a ruffianly fellow who threw her into the hedge, violently assaulted her, stabbed her in the hand, and stole her purse, containing £4.—*The Birmingham Daily Post*, June 1851.

**50 YEARS AGO**

Preliminary proposals for extension have been put forward by Wolverhampton Corporation. If carried into effect, they would treble the area of the town and add 20,000 to the population.—*The Birmingham Post*, June 1931.

We hear a lot about Mugging these days but whats new ?

# BOYD'S MARRIAGE INDEX 1701 - 1837

1711	SWINNERTON	Ric. & Reb. Harding	Fac. OH.
1719	"	Geo. & Mary Webe	Tetbury, Glos.
1720	"	Jn. & Han. Edwards	Bp. London
1748	SWINERTON	Rc. & Eliz. Smith	Tetbury, Glos.
1734	SWINNERTON	Geo. & An. Suff.	" "
1740	"	Benj. & Eliz. Hindson	Nott. M.L.
1765	SWINERTON	Thos. & Eliz. Fisher	Sherington, Bucks.
1773	"	Benj. & Judith (Jude) Warn	Tetbury, Glos.
1774	"	Mary & Thos. Dorman	" "
1782	SWINNERTON	Thos. & Lyd. Truman	Notts M.L.
1793	"	Tho. & Mary Milborne	St. Mary Le Bone, Middx. or Trentham, Stafford
1778	SWINERTON	Eliz. & Sam Rogers	Tetbury, Glos.
1782	"	An. & Hum. Tugwell	" "
1783	"	An. & Jas. Bowker	Tetbury, Glos or St. Augustine, London.
1790	SWINNERTON	Martha & John Bailey	Tetbury, Glos.
1831	"	Geo. & Caroline Cudvery	Bentworth, Hants.
1820	"	Eliz. & Chas. Tynte	St. Geo. Han. Sq. or WONASTON, Monmouth

(None for Staffs. or Warwick)

## SHROPSHIRE PARISH REGISTERS (9)

### WROCKWARDINE

1790	May 13	Thjomas Swinarton & Elizabeth Halsh	Mar.
1793	May 8	Elizabeth Swinnerton, aged 22	Bur.
1802	Mar. 14	Thomas Swinnerton, aged 41. A quiet and sober man who in a state of mental derange put a period to his own life.	Bur.
1803	Oct. 11	Elizabeth Swinnerton, aged 19	Bur.
1832	Aug. 26	Eliza d. of William & Anne Swinnerton	Bap.

### CLAVERLEY

1818	June 11	John Charnock of Wolverley & Sarah Swinnerton sp. Wit. Sarah Griffin, Jos. Wellings.	Mar.
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### OLDBURY

1789	Jan. 11	William s. of William & Mellene Swinnerton. p. Quatford	Bur.
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Esther Mary, daughter of Mrs. H. H. Swinnerton  
of Nottingham; aged 4 months.

*This is Esther, daughter of Professor HENRY HURD SWINNERTON. Kindly sent to me by Mr. J.R. Heygate-Brown of whom a photograph appears on the same page at the tender age of 3 months.*

TAILPIECE:

When the Royal Engagement was finally announced, the Editor of Burke's Peerage said "It took a Royal Wedding to bring the genealogist out of the woodworm." Is that really what people think of us ?

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