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From the Committee

Last month was busy for everyone. Some of our members had been out and about attending lots of events during History Month, and really enjoyed themselves.

We hope to have some of you give us some feedback regarding your visits. Our contribution to History Month was our successful Cemetery Walk, held in conjunction with the Lyndoch & District Historical Society. It was a great day's outing for all of us, plus a bonus having good weather.

Ivan Randall gave a great talk on our Speaker Day regarding Windows 7 and how to back up your work on computers showing how external hard drives work and taking us through the steps to ensure our files are safe. It is very important that all computer users back up their work, especially our family history records and photos.

In this month's newsletter, there are some very informative and interesting items, we hope that you find them to be so. Remember should you have anything that you would like to see mentioned or have some interesting stories you would like to be included in future editions, please send them to secretary@andfhg.org, your contributions will be most welcomed.

On the 22nd June our Guest speaker will be President Peter Applebee, who will be discussing the Australian Cemeteries Website, a project that has been online now for ten years, and we will visit some of the most interesting Cemeteries and Interments.

This month we have started sharing some of our information with the Dublin History Group. We will also be revisiting them on the 23rd June for a Family History Workshop.

ANDFHG is fast approaching our Annual General Meeting to be held in July. We will give you more information about this in next month's newsletter. In the meantime, we hope to see more of our members at Ann Street either for research, the Legacy Users Group and the Family Tree Users Group.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 th June						1 st June
	3 rd June 			6 th June Mid Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		8 th June Research and Networking Day 1 pm – 4 pm Committee Meeting 2 pm
				13 th June Mid-Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		15 th June 
				20 st June Mid Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		22 nd June Research and Networking Day Guest Speaker Afternoon 1 pm – 4 pm
23 rd June Research Afternoon at Dublin Institute Have a Go Research Afternoon 2 pm				27 th June Mid-Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		

***Googling with Google.* Colin Withall.**

So you've reached an impasse, or brick wall in your family history: it happens to us all sooner or later, there are missing documents or certificates that are needed to verify a particular person in the family tree, the document cannot be located because, (a) they married in the Catholic faith, or (b) the records were lost over time, this is more likely to have been the case dating back in the pre registration days of 1837, if researching your English origins. So what can we do? Well it would be easy just to eliminate that person out of the tree, and go one with something else, or try and do something about it. There is an old saying, "*if there were no problems then there would be no answers.*"

You have ran out of ideas, there are no records you can find that will answer the problem, I've heard it all before, been there myself and as the saying goes bought the T shirt, plus the jacket and trouser as well. We know that the person was born, and was baptized in a particular part of England, or Australia, but there is no record of any death, they do not appear on any English census after a given time, so what happened to them? It is possible that they emigrated to America, New Zealand or Australia. It is also possible that they changed their name; this happens more that you might think, for some reason people often change their name. So where to look?

Have you considered Genealogical library collections, which included books detailing the history of a particular County of England, vital record indexes, land and tax records, or just a record in some old dusty book that names your ancestor even though they may be insignificant. The problem of course is that these books are located in libraries overseas or interstate, not easily visited and therefore out of the question to consider exploring.

Well there is an answer, it's called digitized books, that is where books are scanned and in a digitized format available for scrutiny on line, there are virtually millions of books and periodicals available, not only of popular books but there are many that are rare, out of print, or even those that are self published such as other family histories, and the best part is that you never have to leave home to view them.

There is an recurring advert on television that states, "*You don't have to know what you are looking for, you just have to look*" what a load of cobblers, of course you have to have some idea of what you hope to find, otherwise what is the point of looking in the first place, or even what it is you have found.

So how to find these books, that is where good old Google comes in, not the usual Google search tool, but a specialized search tool called "Google Books." Google books also comprises modern, classical, fiction, non-fiction, and even old magazines from the 1800's, and for the genealogist, local histories, name indexes, city directories, old journals, including old drawings and photographs, and it is sometimes possible to find even the smallest mention of a family member.

When searching Google Books, this may be done entering a surname, full name, or location, the returning results will be in a list of each subject relative to your search, along with basic information. However, because of copyright restrictions, there will be four different ways in which you can view the book from the search results.

- (1) Full Preview.
- (2) Limited Preview.
- (3) Snippet View.
- (4) No Preview available.

The Full Preview: will display the whole book, usually in a PDF style format, and the book can be scanned throughout its entirety.

Limited Preview: is just that, it may contain an index of subjects from within the book, usually in HTML format, and clicking on the subject therein, you can jump directly to that particular subject

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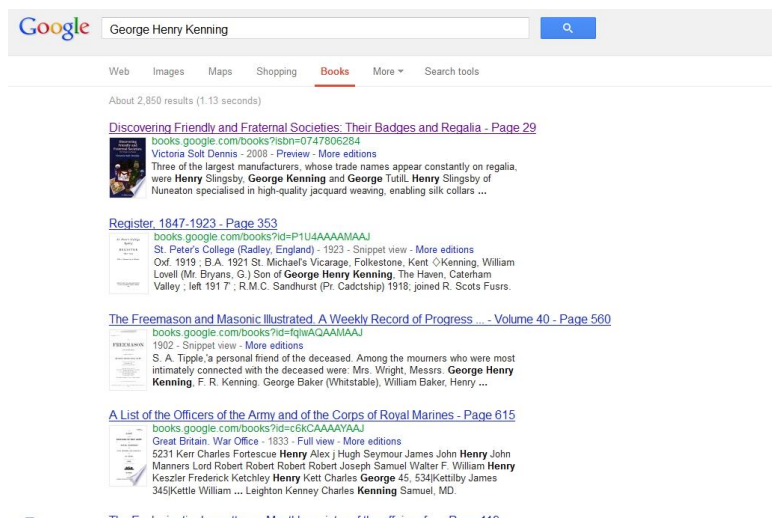
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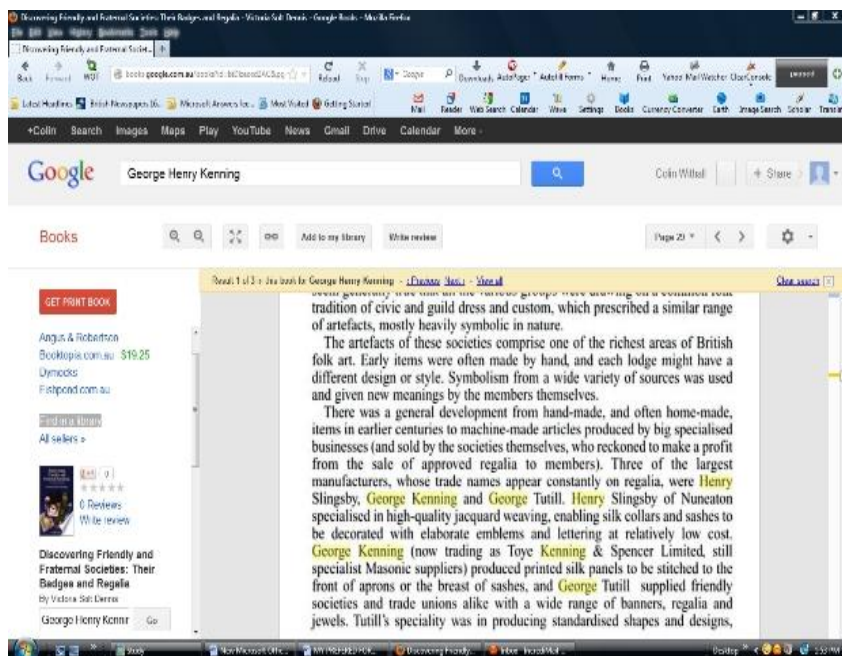
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Ok we have discussed the Google Books search engine, let us examine a real life search. Ivan Randall has been researching George Henry KENNING; let us see what Google Books has on this person.

Enter Google Book search, and type in the name George Henry KENNING. You will notice that there are about 2,850 results for the search; each listing displayed here shows that a Preview, a Snippet View and a Full View are available. For a much better search result place the search item between quotations e.g. “George Henry Kenning.” This would have narrowed the search and given a more positive result.



By selecting the top or first result we are taken to the relevant book page, and here we find that a George Kenning was in a business partnership as a weaver of high quality jacquard, silk collars and other regalia associated with the Masonic Lodges of England. To the left of the screen details are available where one can purchase the book, along with details of the author etc.



Referring back to our search results, notice the result number 4 on the list, refers to the 1833 list of Officers in the Royal Marines, notice also where the information came from, in this case the Great Britain War Office – 1833. It also tells us that there is a full of the book available, and that there are More editions available for viewing.

By selecting “More editions”, we are presented with another screen showing the editions and note that they are available in full views; notice also that the listings cover periods from 1778, to 1847.

By selecting the full view of the first result, we are taken to the relevant book

6 results (0.40 seconds)

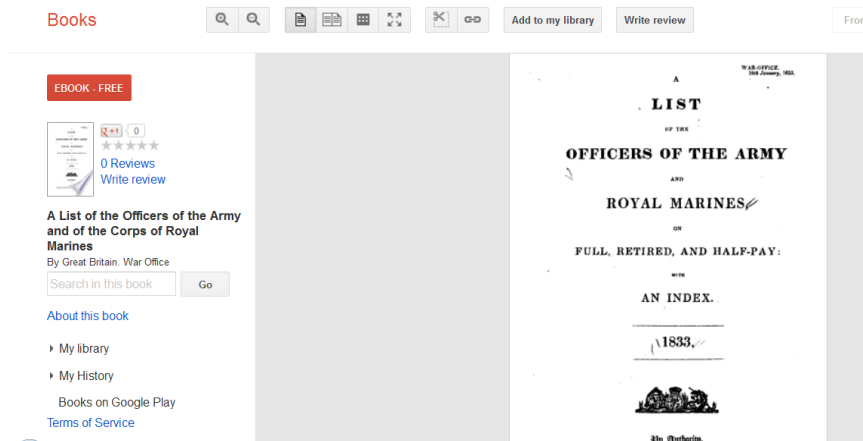
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books.google.com/books?id=c6kCAAAAYAAJ
Great Britain. War Office - 1833 - Full view - More editions

[A List of the Officers of the Army and of the Corps of Royal Marines](#)
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Great Britain. War Office - 1847 - Full view - More editions

[A List of the Officers of the Army and of the Corps of Royal Marines](#)
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Great Britain. War Office - 1778 - Full view - More editions

[A List of the Officers of the Army and of the Corps of Royal Marines](#)
books.google.com/books?id=IKwCAAAAYAAJ
Great Britain. War Office - 1837 - Full view - More editions

[A List of the Officers of the Army and of the Corps of Royal Marines](#)
books.google.com/books?id=y6wCAAAAYAAJ
Great Britain. War Office - 1835 - Full view - More editions



On the left of the screen beneath the “List of Officers etc” is a search within this book window upon entering the name Kenning, we are taken to page 334 dated 1833. An entry for a Samuel Kenning MD, is recorded in the Ordinance Medical Department records, showing that he is listed as Assistant Inspector and resident surgeon.

[1833]

344 ORDNANCE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Ordinance Medical Department.

(Upon Temporary Half-pay.)

	<i>Rank in the Army.</i>	<i>When placed on Half-pay.</i>
Inspector Gen. of Hospitals . . }	R. Worthington Roberts 17 Nov. 1824	1 Jan. 1829
Ass. Insp. and Resident Surg. }	Samuel Kenning, MD. 22 July 1815	1 May 1816

The listing giving details of service, it also give a date 22 July 1815, probably his service completion date, at the end of the Napoleonic War, when Napoleon was defeated at the battle of Waterloo in June 1815. He along with many others who served were placed temporarily on half pay, similar to a reserved position, on the 1st May 1816.

Referring back to our original search results list, we will select a Snippet View; this has now taken us to another page which informs us that the Register of the St. Peter's College (Radley, England) has 2 references to the name George Henry Kenning.



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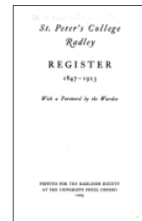
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Register, 1847-1923



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0 Reviews

Printed for the Radleian Society at the University Press, 1923 - [Private schools](#) - 498 pages

From inside the book

George Henry Kenning

[Search](#)

2 pages matching **George Henry Kenning** in this book

Scrolling down we locate the two Snippet Views, unfortunately because Google searched the names George+ Henry+ Kenning the resulting snippets return one that does not apply to our search, having picked up on the George selection, however the other result records that a W.L. Kenning attended St. Peter's College in 1913. Scrolling further down the page, a detailed description of the book, is given including the author, when and where the book was printed, when the book was digitized and the number of pages it contains.

2 pages matching **George Henry Kenning** in this book

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SUMMER, 1913

***Blackburn, George Darell** (Mr. Lowe, H.)

Son of George Fernley Blackburn, 7 Granby Road, Harrogate; left 1917¹; in ranks 28th Bn. London Regt. (Artists' Rif.) 1918-19; served in France 1918-19, War and Vict. med.; Ch. Ch. OxL 1919

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The Play of Life.

Briefly we strut the stage of life, each playing life's role as it is designed, be it tragedy or comedy, and when our scene is finally over, and we leave this life's stage, we go amid accolades, applause, and tears, each knowing we played our part with content, or regret according to life's script, and never will our role be played again.

By Colin Withall

Irish History is not so Difficult!

At some stage in family history, we have all talked to someone who has Irish ancestry and hear the same story over and over again, that they just cannot find much information about their families. Researchers inwardly groan knowing we usually have the same problem other than looking at the usual websites such as Ancestry.com and FindmyPast.com. Well, it looks like the situation is being reversed! Lots of Irish history is being digitized and put on line. The two most used websites are the PRONI and GRONI sites (Public Records Office of Northern Ireland www.proni.gov.uk and General Records Office of Northern Ireland) www.groni.gov.uk. These sites are worth looking at again in more detail, as the PRONI have made big inroads in the last five years to create online catalogues by digitizing several collections. These are free to view on line.

There is a new portal under www.nationalarchives.ie and also www.genealogy.nationalarchives.ie both worth browsing through.

Another website which is useful is www.militaryarchives.ie created by the Department of Defence.

The Irish Genealogy Toolkit website has also been put together offering links to many resources and well written articles on lots of record types including Old Age Pension record applications.

The website is www.irish-genealogy-toolkit.com/irish-pension-records.html

Family History magazines are always putting articles in regarding Ireland, so it is worth buying or borrowing a few magazines every now and then. “Your Family History” magazine promoted a volunteer-created website www.billmacafee.com which is relevant to Londonderry and parts of County Antrim. There are lots of little bits of information regarding censuses, valuation records etc.

A growing free to access website still under construction is www.irishgraveyards.ie – the largest coverage so far has been in Donegal, Mayo and Galway.

We hope the above websites are helpful!

taphophile – One who loves cemeteries.

<http://www.urbandictionary.com/>

Three cemeteries and an afternoon tea

An event presented by ANDFHG and the Lyndoch Historical Society held on Saturday May 4th

On a windy Saturday afternoon a group of avid taphophile (A mixed bunch with a common interest of a fascination and love of cemeteries and how they are a fantastic history resource) met at our first cemetery.



Lyndoch General was our starting point for our cemetery crawl. Peter Applebee was the tour-leader and his portable personal amp worked very well. Many interesting tales attached to the grave plots, including the grave sites of participants in a murder.

Next on our tour was St Jakobi cemetery and the hunt for the missing grave stone. This cemetery has a lovely view of the country side and some unique stories attached to plots including one that has braille on the head-stone. Also some drama when one of the sites could not be located. The cross marking the spot was missing → was it a relative giving the grave a make-over, or something more sinister? Will we ever know?



The last in our tour was Holy Trinity Anglican cemetery. Again a most lovely place to spend eternity interred within; a picture post card scene with bird life, trees and a babbling brook. We completed our trek with a delicious afternoon tea with the Lyndoch Historical Society, including a chance to look through the local museum. The tales that the tomb stones told gave us more insight into life in the Barossa during the early years of settlement. If you missed out on the tour, a Sunday drive is highly recommended.

Skeletons in the closet

Do you have a skeleton in your family closet? Are you game enough to share your notorious relative with us? Here is the first of (we hope) many more to come

Martha Needle

Martha was born near Morgan in South Australia, marrying Henry Needle when she was 17. She grew up in a violent household, but it cannot be proved that this influenced her future actions.

After moving to Melbourne, Martha launched into a career as a murderer, poison being her choice of means. She poisoned her husband, daughters and prospective brother-in-law. Was it the insurance money? Martha spent much of the proceeds on grave stones etc. Was it abusive relationships which drove her to this desperate deed but this doesn't answer why murder her children?



She was one of four women hanged at Melbourne Jail. There appears to be a family tradition of poisoning; her nephew, Alexander Lee used strychnine to dispose of his wife in 1920. He was hanged at Adelaide Gaol.

More information can be found at the following web sites.

<http://murderpedia.org/female.N/n/needle-martha.htm>

<http://unknownmisandry.blogspot.com.au/2011/09/martha-needle-australian-serial-killer.html>

Do you have someone as infamous in your family tree?

Snippets from History.



The remains of Richard III have been confirmed by performing a DNA test made on a descendant of the king's sister. The skeleton was found under a car park in the city of Leicester, England last year. As seen below, the spine clearly shows his famous hunched back. Richard III was killed at the Battle of Bosworth in 1485.

His tomb was one of four graves located in the search for Richard, although unbeknown to them the king's grave was the one they found in the first half hour of the excavation. Archaeologists are in the process of locating a tomb of a knight who died a century earlier.

At the same time, another car park in the city had uncovered a 1700 year old Roman cemetery. University of Leicester archaeologists were called and identified the remains dating back to AD300. More skeletons were unearthed as well as artifacts of belt buckles, hair pins and other personal items.

Guest Speaker Afternoon

1.30 pm Saturday 22nd June

"Australian Cemeteries Website"

With Peter Applebee



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