



A.N.D.F.H.G. Inc. News Sheet

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From the Committee



Hello Members,

This is the last newsletter for 2015 as Christmas is fast approaching and there are numerous things to be done before the end of the group year.

We think most people enjoyed John Clift's brilliant talk on the Reid Family of Gawler. How tough were those early pioneer people! They would put most modern families to shame. Very impressive John, Thank You.

As promised, we will be having a break up Christmas party for all our members who would like to come along and participate in the festive season and take the opportunity of meeting some other members. We will be having a quiz compiled by our resident family historian Father Christmas Colin Withall – our quizzes in the past have proved very enjoyable and a bit of fun. We will also have a barbeque and nibbles etc. Please see the last page of this newsletter for the details.

2016 will be our 10th birthday, and the Committee will be organising some interesting speakers. These will be commented on next year. As requested in previous front sheets, if any member has an interesting topic or tree to talk about, please let us know so we can share it with the other members. We are always on the look-out for content to our newsletter. Don't forget that you can borrow any of our library books over the Christmas period, which is an ideal time to read up on anything we have of interest. We look forward to seeing you all next year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Committee would like to take this opportunity of wishing all our members a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. We look forward to seeing you all next year, so please stay safe out there, especially if you are driving

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 2 nd Nov.  | | | 5 th Nov. Mid-Week Research Day 10 am – 4 pm | | |
| | | | | 12 th Nov. Mid-Week Research Day 10 am – 4 pm | | 14 th Nov. Research and Networking Day 1 pm – 4 pm Committee Meeting 1 pm |
| | | | | 19 th Nov. Mid-Week Research Day 10 am – 4 pm | | 21 st Nov.  |
| | | | | 26 th Nov. Mid-Week Research Day 10 am – 4 pm | | 28 th Nov. End of Year Break up 1.30 pm |
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UK CERTIFICATES

From time to time we have to purchase a certificate of some kind, to find out that extra bit of the family history puzzle, whether it is a father's name on a birth or marriage certificate or for some other reason.

The cost has been a flat \$20 per certificate but with the exchange rate being erratic and constantly changing, the committee has unanimously agreed that the cost should now rise to \$25.00 per certificate. This has come into effect from the 1st October 2015.

Unusual Place Names



Argument's Yard- Whitby

Given its location, just a stones throw away from Whitby harbour, one may have an image of fishwives giving their menfolk a good dressing down as the reason for this unusual name; however the origins of Argument's Yard is somewhat different.

The name actually derives from a Protestant family named "Agromont," who fled to Whitby to avoid persecution in their native France. Over the generations their name was anglicised to "Argument." The last remaining descendant of the Argument family lives down south.

Thief Lane – York

Thieves would struggle to get away in this picture
Source; geograph

Thief Lane in York refers directly to the street which criminals would be led down to a set of gallows, which were located on the junction of what is now Haxby Road and Wiggington Road (not far from York St John University,) It was their walk of shame, before meeting their grisly end.



Down Dinner Hill – Whitby



Down Dinner Hill has nothing to do with lunch unfortunately

A common myth is that this hill was where railway workers would march down for their lunch break, however, records show it was called this name in

1778, before railways ever came to Whitby. A more likely meaning is a combination of the Anglo Saxon word for slope, “down,” and the Viking word, “Dinger,” which means to drive something. In these times it is more likely that cattle and other livestock would be “driven” down this hill and where this unusual name comes from.

Penny Engine Lane – Eckington, Sheffield

Penny engine train tracks can still be seen on Penny Engine Lane. Source: Geograph

On the Yorkshire/Derbyshire border lies Penny engine lane. This name refers to an old railway line which used to run here,. It would transport mine workers for the cost of a penny through the village from nearby Renishaw, to the pit for their shifts. The line closed in 1901, due to its owner falling into bankruptcy. Part of the original route can still be seen along Penny Engine Lane.



(Sources : <http://bit.ly/Unusualplacenames>)

Ireland Reach Out

www.irelandxo.com

This is a volunteer based, non profit initiative which builds vibrant, lasting links between the global Irish Diaspora and parishes of origin in Ireland.

The programme is based on a single idea; reverse genealogy. Instead of waiting for people of Irish descent to trace their roots, Ireland XO volunteers worldwide are networking with people of Irish descent in their local areas, helping to build bridges between the present and the past by connecting people with the home parishes of their ancestors. See more at

<http://www.irelandxo.com>

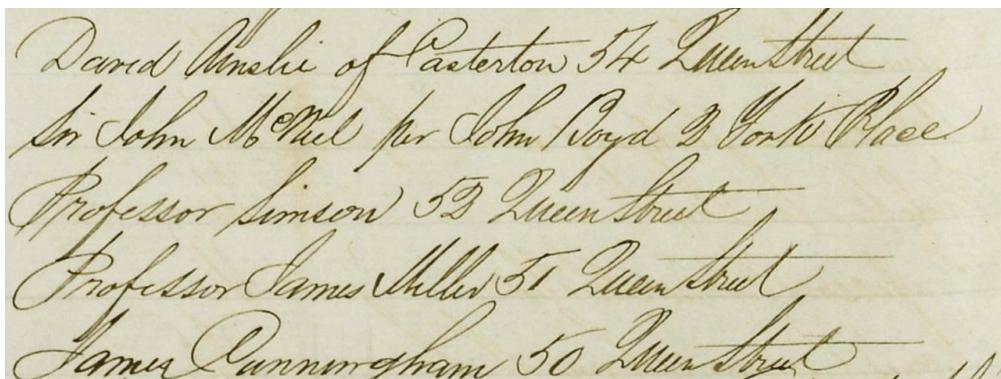
Scotland's leading lights in 1855

James Clerk Maxwell (1831-1879) a towering figure in world science for his work on colour, gases and electromagnetics. In 1855 Maxwell was elected a fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, and it was at Glenlair, a small estate near Dalbeattie in Kirkcudbrightshire, that he spent his early years and where he later did much of his writing. His father John Clerk Maxwell is listed in 1855, the year before his death, as the owner of Glenlair. Among the tenants who appear in the rolls as occupiers of several farms is Samuel McNairn at Nether Glenlair. He farmed about 700 acres according to the 1861 Census. Tenants are also named in the inventory in Maxwell's testament after his death in 1879.



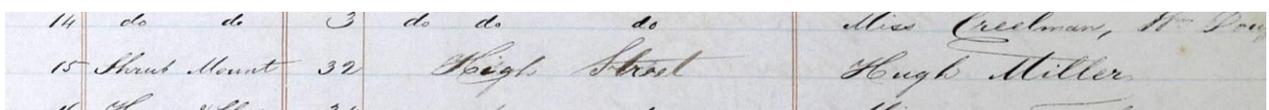
- [John Clerk Maxwell, father of James Clerk Maxwell in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)
- [Tenants of John Clerk Maxwell in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)
- [Samuel McNairn, tenant of John Clerk Maxwell in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)

Sir James Young Simpson (1811–1870), the renowned doctor and obstetrician, owned a house and surgery at no. 52 Queen Street, Edinburgh, where he lived from 1845 until his death. He conducted his pioneering experiments into chloroform in the house. In 1850, aged only 39, elected president of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh. He was much in demand as a consulting physician and obstetrician, and enjoyed retreating to his suburban cottage in Trinity, near Newhaven.



- [Samuel McNairn, tenant of John Clerk Maxwell in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)

Hugh Miller (1802-1856) geologist, journalist and writer, was one of the most original minds of the nineteenth century. He left his native Cromarty and settled in Edinburgh, where he edited the Free Church newspaper The Witness. His geological investigations led him to question the Bible's account of creation. In December 1854 he bought a two-storey Georgian house called 'Shrub Mount' at 32 High Street (now nos. 76-82), Portobello. He built an outbuilding in the large garden for his private museum of geological specimens. Miller took his own life in 1856, and his widow Lydia and the children left the house a few years later.



- [Hugh Miller in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)

Mary Slessor (1848–1915), the celebrated missionary, was born in 1848 in the Gilcomston district of Aberdeen. Her father Robert Slessor was a shoemaker, but lost his job, prompting the family to move to Dundee in 1859. There Mary became a weaver, attended night school, and in 1876 became a missionary teacher in West Africa. She spent most of her career in Africa, earning a high reputation as a forceful local magistrate. She died in Calabar in 1915.

- [Robert Slessor in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)

Madeleine Smith (about 1835–1928), the daughter of James Smith, a prosperous Glasgow architect, was notorious as the woman who was charged with the murder of her lover at the High Court in 1857, but avoided imprisonment when the jury found the charge not proven. During 1855-56 she conducted a love affair with Pierre Emile L'Angelier, whom she met in secret both at the family's town house at the smart address of No. 7 Blythswood Square, Glasgow, and at 'Rowaleyn', where the family enjoyed country air near Helensburgh. In March 1857 L'Angelier died of arsenic poisoning, which Madeleine was suspected of administering.

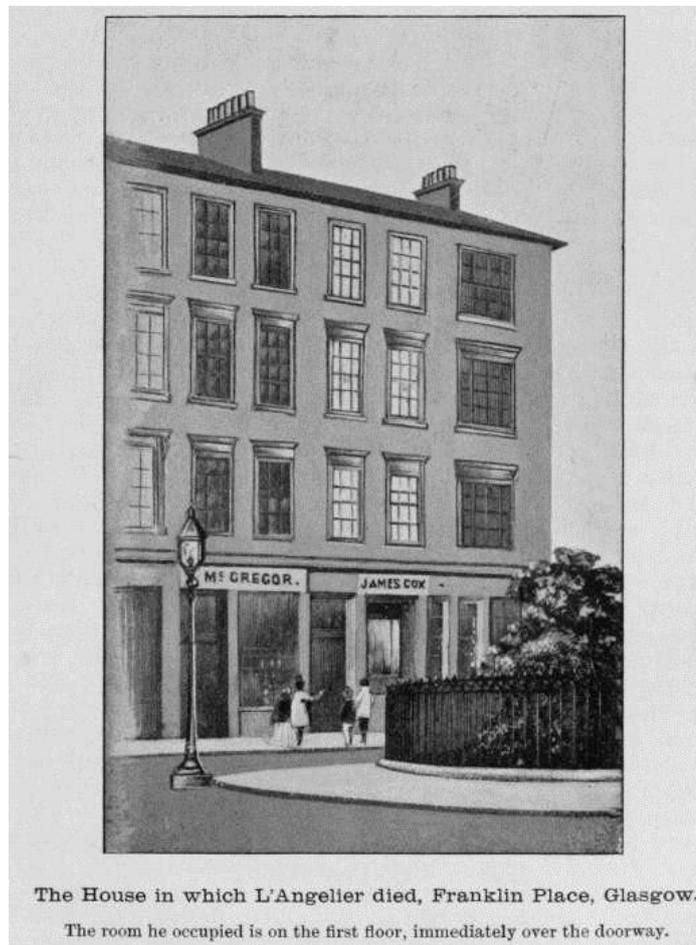
Drawing of house in Trial of Madeleine Smith, edited by A Duncan Smith (1905-6), between pp.30-31

- [D'Angelier's landlord David Jenkins in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)

- [Blythswood Square in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)

Crimean War: Britain was engaged in the Crimean War with her French and Turkish allies. The first major battle to be commemorated in street or house names was the allies' victory over the Russians at the Battle of Alma on 20 September 1854. This prompted the naming of Alma Place, Street and Terrace in Govan. Inkerman appears as the name of a house in Rothesay in the 1855 rolls, but Sebastopol and Balaclava, which were to become so popular, were yet to make their appearance in addresses.

- [Alma Terrace in Valuation Rolls 1855](#)



Source: [ScotlandsPeople](#) website

14 London Councils' Burial Records now Available on Deceased Online

Deceased Online has added the first set of burial and cremation records for the London Borough of Lewisham and all records will be available at www.deceasedonline.com by mid-October. Immediately available are the records for Grove Park Cemetery and Hither Green (aka 'Lewisham') Crematorium

When complete and online, the full Lewisham collection will comprise approximately 1 million records (nearly 400,000 names) and will include Brockley, Hither Green and Ladywell Cemeteries (in addition to Grove Park and the crematorium) dating back to 1858.

The new collection comprises:

- digital scans of original burial and cremation registers
- details of all grave occupants in each cemetery
- maps indicating the section in each cemetery for all graves

Lewisham is located in south east London and is the 14th London council to add its records to the Deceased Online website. When complete (and with some remaining records for Southwark to be added soon), there will be 60+ cemeteries and crematoria with approximately 4 million names and 8 million+ records for London on Deceased Online.

Don't forget, you can use free advance search (see images below) to search records by name, years, location/area or cemetery site – simply follow drop-down menus Advanced Search View

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welcome back
Richard Gray

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last name: Smith
first names: John Edward
include similar names:
country: United Kingdom
region: London
county: Lewisham
Contributor: all sites
Cemetery / Crematorium: Grove Park Cemetery

from year: 1879
to year: 1882
search for: all records

Above, searching for 'John Edward Smith' at Lewisham's Grove Park Cemetery
Below, you can search by London borough or council areas and towns within counties or regions across the UK.



Source: Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter.

Place Names of Our Land: A South Australian Anthology

Author: G. Manning

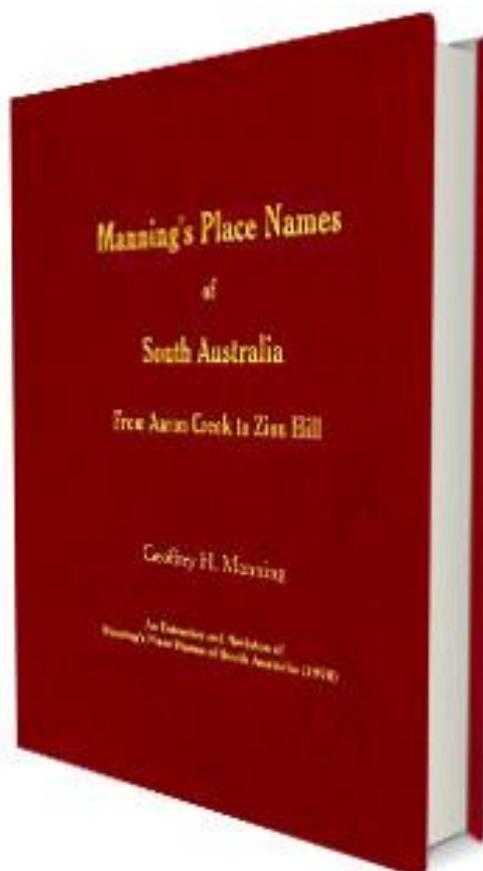
I have had occasion to refer to this book a number of times over the last month.

It gives details as to the origins of places and in particular place names.

Pioneers or early settlers are often referred to. The book gives an insight into the social history of towns, suburbs, and settlements. If you wish to investigate where your ancestor settled it is a good starting place to commence your research.

Many of the places outlined in the book no longer exist as a suburb or settlement and have been swallowed up in the urban sprawl or simply bypassed by newer roads or rail lines.

The book is available for use at the library but cannot be loaned out.



Trove: Discover Genealogy Treasure in the National Library of Australia



Author: Shauna Hicks

As a regular presenter at genealogy expos and seminars I am constantly surprised by the number of people who don't know or are not aware of, all the genealogy resources available on the National Library of Australia website. Trove is the catchy name of the Library's discovery service into its many collections, but it is only one of a number of resources available for research.

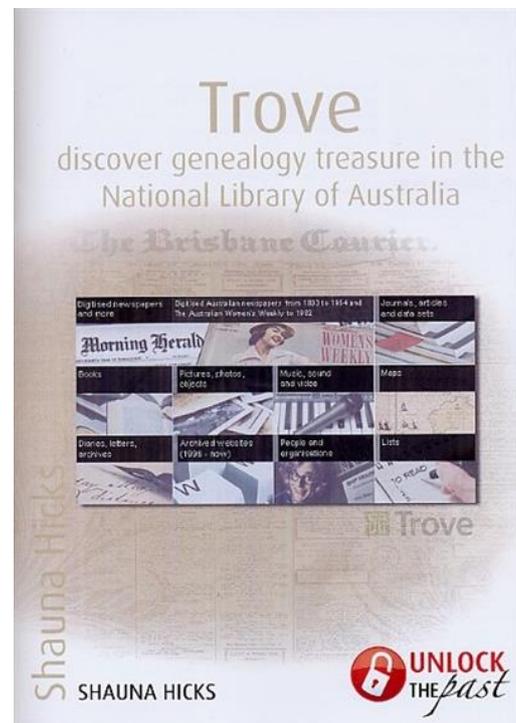
While people may be aware of Trove, they are not aware of how to effectively use the various filters to narrow down their searches to maximum advantage. Features such as comments, lists, tagging or correcting text are other areas that many have not yet explored and there are always a few who put up their hand to say they haven't got an eResources card.

There are other features such as Ask a Librarian and Cite This that I am fond of, but many in the audience haven't discovered them yet, or realised how these features can assist their research.

This guide outlines why I'm a huge Trove fan. It lists and explains the various features so that other family historians and genealogists can make maximum use of this fantastic free resource. Follow the tips and you will soon become another Trove fan.

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This Book is available for Purchase from our Group. Order Forms in Online Members Area.

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1.30 pm Saturday 28th November.

End of Year Break Up.

“Xmas BBQ & Quiz”



Free Picnic Lunch, Soft Drinks, Tea and Coffee.

An End of Year Social gathering of Members.



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