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## Editorial, by Gillian Chiverton

Thanks to the support received from our colleagues on the Committee, and members who have kindly sent in articles, it has been agreed that I shall carry on as Editor with Mary taking care of the technical details.

Newsletter 50 gives us an opportunity to reflect on the changes that have taken place since Newsletter No. 1 was issued in August 1988. A **View from the past** sets the scene and Kevin Schurer's article will, hopefully, stir up memories. I look forward to receiving contributions in response to this.

The present committee arranged for a Feedback Sheet at the Leicester Conference asking for views about future conference subjects and venues. The comments have been collated and will be studied at the next committee meeting. If you were unable to attend the conference and would like to offer suggestions, please let Christine Jones, Secretary, know, and your comments can also be considered. Like Paul Hair and his committee, the present committee is anxious to meet the needs of local historians and we can only do this if you let us know what would be helpful to you.

Christine Jones' article about same name siblings has produced comments and you can read these on page 13. Details of committee member, Sam Williams, book can be found on page 8 and looks to be a useful contribution to research on the Poor Law.

The spring conference is to be held at Campus West, Welwyn Garden City, on 21st April, and a booking form is available on the back of this Newsletter. Minutes of last year's AGM, and the Agenda for this year, are on pages 4 and 5. Two committee members have come to the end of their terms of office and are willing to stand again. Christine Jones, LPSS Secretary, is standing down, and we are looking for a volunteer to take on this position. We hope you will join us at the AGM and let us have your views on how you would like the society to go forward. If you do not plan to come and have views to share, please email me and they can be published in the next Newsletter.

Finally, for those who do not pay their subscription by Standing Order, a reminder from Karen Rothery that the annual subscription should be paid by 1<sup>st</sup> May. Details can be found on the LPSS website.

### **A View from the past, from Gillian Chiverton**

Professor Paul Hair, LPSS Chairman in 1988, wrote that the Newsletter was the first response to the view expressed by the members that 'more effort should be made to bring together the membership and the committee, partly in order to widen our activities and increase the membership'. At that time, the membership was in the region of 380 and presently is 415, including institutions at home and abroad.

A survey had been carried out and members had stressed the importance of day conferences and these have continued with our past two, held in Welwyn Garden City and Leicester, being well-attended, as usual. Such conferences give an opportunity of meeting other like-minded local historians with the chance to exchange information on current research projects.

The first Newsletter consisted of six pages – A Letter to all members from the Chairman – details of the Committee (Peter Franklin is the only member of that committee who is still serving) – and a list of the publications of the Book Club. The Newsletter has expanded over the years and is a conduit for information. However, has the society, through the Journal and the Newsletter, fulfilled the expectations of the members of LPSS? Please let us have your views for publication.

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### **LPS and LPSS: a personal view from Kevin Schurer**

The *Local Population Studies (LPS)* journal came into being in the autumn of 1968 following a summer school held at Madingley Hall – now the home of the University of Cambridge's Institute of Continuing Education – by the then fledgling Cambridge Group for the History of Population and Social Structure, which brought together those working on the analysis of parish registers and other aspects of local demographic history. The meeting identified a problem in communication: there seemed to be no mechanism to exchange information and expertise within the network that had been established as a result of the meeting. Thus *LPS* was 'established to provide a link which will enable those working in their local communities to draw attention to their discoveries and difficulties, to keep them informed of other people's work, and to provide a place where their enquiries can be answered and where the techniques used in this field of research can be explained and examined' (*LPS* 1 p3). Related to this, a further stated intention was to keep readers 'up to date with news from the Cambridge Group while enabling the Group to maintain and extend its contacts with the local people on whom so much depends' (*LPS* 1 p3). Consequently, the position of the journal as both a conduit in the exchange of knowledge and as a facilitator of research was central to its founding remit. Importantly, the journal also recognised 'that the time is now ripe for the study of population in the past to acquire a greater measure of coherence as a method of historical research' (*LPS* 1 p4). In this sense the formation of the journal was also a pioneering step in that it aimed to raise awareness of, and give greater recognition to, the field of local historical demography.

Contrary to some misplaced assumptions, the Local Population Studies Society (LPSS) was not founded until some years after the journal -- in 1972/3, in fact, 5 years after the journal. Again, the genesis came from a weekend meeting bringing those working on local historical demography together, this time in Matlock. Following this conference, a letter was published in the subsequent issue of *LPS* which proposed the formation of a Society to support the journal (*LPS* 9 pp.54-6). It is clear from this that the driving force behind this initiative was very specific. It was to try and resolve a financial problem that that journal was experiencing by creating a group of supporters who would be prepared to pay more – double the then annual subscription of 75p – in order to boost the journal's coffers, seemingly without any additional tangible benefit to its membership. The plan was essentially two-fold: to create a 'bank' against future rising costs funded by 'volunteers' (i.e. Society members) willing to pay more, whilst at the same time avoiding loss of circulation that might result in putting the price up for all (*LPS* 9 p55).

Interestingly, *LPS* 9 also carried a letter which pointed to a disappointment that was expressed at the Matlock conference suggesting that the journal was not sufficiently promoting 'the exchange of information and ideas between individuals or groups working in similar fields' (*LPS* 9 p54). In response it was pointed out that 'reports on progress' of local work were always welcome, as were queries on related subjects – perhaps more than hinting at the fact that they could only publish what they received. Indeed, 'Local Research in Progress' was a regular feature section within the journal for

many years, although in many instances it consisted of little more than a list of known aggregate analyses or other demographic work, county by county. It was not until *LPS* 37 (Autumn, 1986) that a specific regular 'News from the Local Population Studies Society' feature appeared, although three issues later (Spring, 1988) the Editorial Board agreed that this should be printed towards the front of the journal rather than at the rear into order to give it greater prominence and to signal the importance of promoting research of this nature. Yet by then the composition of the journal was already changing. As pointed out in the Editorial of *LPS* 56 (Spring, 1996) the number of letters and queries relating to local research had been on a steady decline since around 1981 – ironically coinciding with the publication of the monumental *Population history of England*, which, it should be remembered, was dedicated to 'the local population historians of England', in other words, the readership of *LPS* and the Society members.<sup>1</sup> Some may understandably think that the creation of a separate and distinctive *LPSS Newsletter* in 1995 was a planned and deliberate move to delineate between a Journal focusing on substantive articles and a Newsletter centred round news items on local research projects, readers' queries, short notes and letters. But it was not. The Newsletter was conceived and initially issued in total isolation from the Journal, indeed largely without the Editorial Board's knowledge. The years following the launch of the *Newsletter* by the Society required a new relationship to be brokered and formed, something which did not always prove easy, but which necessitated an open exchange of information to ensure that the two publications complimented one another and played to each other's strengths, including matters as simple as the synchronising of publishing cycles. Looking at the two publications alongside one another today, this is something where it strikes me that more work can still be done.

Following the establishment of an independent *LPSS Newsletter* it became evermore apparent to me personally that the two bodies should merge and operate under a single umbrella – much as they had done when the Society was initially formed. But this view was not shared by everyone on the *LPS* Editorial Board at the time, and especially not amongst committee members of the Society. As a consequence it took not far short of 10 years to negotiate a successful and workable merger between the two bodies. A new merged entity finally came into existence in 2005, with a single constitution and unified governance and financial structures. As someone involved in the process from beginning to end, looking back, the phrase 'pulling teeth' comes to mind!

So, what is the point of this rambling history lesson? Some 7 years on from the formation of a joint body with charitable status, I think it is appropriate that we stop and think about why this was done and what it set out to achieve. In my view, the strength of the single Society rests upon the health and success of both its originating and constituent parts. The inter-relationship between the Journal and the Newsletter is vital. In this respect I think that there is potential for the relationship between the two publications to be looked at again, particularly in the light of the journal's founding aim to exchange knowledge between those researching local populations and provide a forum in which queries can be raised and answered and approaches assessed. In my well be that the Newsletter is itself nowadays moribund and should be replaced by a dynamic website on which members could post summaries and extracts of their research, send out news of 'discoveries' or requests for help from the collective membership, and through which collective Society-based research projects could be run and monitored. Do not get me wrong, I am still a huge fan of the printed word, and have serious reservations about over reliance on the internet to solve all our communication issues. Whatever the solution, technology-driven or otherwise, I strongly believe that alternative methods of generating and supporting effective dialogue and exchange between local historical demographers and community historians should be explored. A starting point might be to learn a trick or two from the past and to use a forthcoming LPSS conference to have a debate about the future and what exactly members want from their Society, what mechanisms need to be put in place to achieve this, and what resources need to be allocated to support this. One part of the operation cannot prosper long term at the expense of the other. There is currently a huge amount of interesting and important research work being undertaken locally on historical demography and related areas, yet much of it, as in 1968, is unfortunately conducted in a vacuum. Maybe the time is ripe, once more, to address these issues.

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<sup>1</sup> E.A. Wrigley and R.S. Schofield, *The population history of England 1541-1871: a reconstruction* (London 1981).

## Notice of the Society's Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Local Population Studies Society will be held at 12.45 p.m. on Saturday 21 April 2012, at Campus West, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, AL8 6BX. All members of the Society are warmly invited to attend.

### Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Chairman's Welcome
3. Minutes of the 2011 AGM (printed in this Newsletter)
4. Matters arising
5. Secretary's Report
6. Treasurer's Report (printed in this Newsletter)
7. Conference Report
8. Book Club Report
9. Newsletter Editor's Report
10. *Local Population Studies* Editor's Report
11. *LPS* General Office Report
12. Review of *LPS* Editor's honorarium
13. Changes to the Constitution (proposals printed in this Newsletter)
14. Elections to the Committee
15. Any other business

### Changes to the Constitution

The Committee proposes three changes to the Constitution:

One sentence of paragraph 5 currently reads 'The subscription shall be payable on 1<sup>st</sup> January, and is for the calendar year.'

We propose to change this to read 'The subscription shall be payable by 1<sup>st</sup> May for each calendar year.'

One sentence of paragraph 28 currently reads 'The Editorial Board shall include the nominated Editor of the Society's Newsletter and in addition can include any of the elected Officers, by invitation of the Editor.'

We propose to change this to read 'The Editorial Board can include any of the elected Officers, by invitation of the Editor.'

The clause excluding the Chair from membership of the Editorial Board will remain unchanged.

We propose to remove from paragraph 31 the sentence 'These roles will include an Editor of the Society's Newsletter, a Conference Manager, a Manager of the Society's Web Pages, a Manager of the Society's Book Club and a Treasurer of the Society's Book Club.' Thus paragraph 31 would read merely 'Ordinary Officers shall be assigned roles on a year-to-year basis in agreement with the Executive Officers.'

Paragraph 15 of the Constitution states:

Proposals for amendments to the Constitution must be made in writing to the Honorary Secretary two months in advance of the AGM. Such proposals require the written support of at least five members. The Honorary Secretary must publish the proposals at least one month before the AGM. Amendments to the Constitution may only be made at the AGM. Proposed amendments previously endorsed by the full support of the Officers of the *Society* require the support of a majority of those present and voting. All other amendments require the support of at least two thirds of those present and voting.

Thus, any members wishing to propose additional amendments to the Constitution must submit them to the Hon Secretary at the address below by 21 February 2012.

Any member wishing to read the full text of the current Constitution should apply to the Secretary at the address below by 7 April 2012.

**Elections to the Committee** – The Hon. Secretary, Christine Jones, the Hon. Treasurer, Mary Cook, and one Ordinary Officer, Gillian Chiverton, each come to the end of their first term in office, Christine Jones having previously served as an Ordinary Officer. All are eligible for re-election. Mary Cook and Gillian Chiverton are willing to stand again. Christine Jones wishes to stand down from the Committee. Constitutionally, anyone wishing to put themselves forward for election, or to nominate someone else, should submit a written nomination, stating the position for which they are standing and whether or not

the candidate will be attending the AGM, accompanied by statements of support from five members of the Society, to the Hon. Secretary at the address below by 21 March 2012.

**Any other business** – if you wish any further items added to the Agenda please send them by 7 April 2012, to the Hon. Secretary at either the postal or email address below.

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**Local Population Studies Society  
Annual General Meeting 2011  
Minutes**

*The Annual General Meeting of the Local Population Studies Society was held at 12.45 pm on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2011, at Campus West, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts.*

There were 31 people present.

1. **Welcome and Introduction:** Prof. Colin Pooley welcomed everyone and chaired the meeting. The agenda had been printed in Newsletter 48.
2. **Apologies:** had been received from Graham Butler.
3. **Minutes of the 2010 AGM:** had been printed in Newsletter 48. These were approved and there were no matters arising.
4. **Secretary's report:** The work of the Committee during the year was summarised and tribute was paid to the hard work of Karen Rothery, the Office Manager.
5. **Treasurer's report:** The financial report and balance sheet for 2009-10 were presented. The deficit of £1,500 was almost entirely due to the fall in interest rates. The treasurer noted that there may be a slight deficit in 2010-11 but there were sufficient reserves to avoid the need for a general increase in subscription rates. The meeting approved the increase in subscriptions for Overseas Institutions from £30 to £40. The treasurer appealed for members to increase the value of their subscriptions by completing a Gift Aid form.
6. **Conference report:** Sam Williams reported the arrangements for the autumn 2011 conference on the theme 'Death and Disease in the Community, 1400-2010' at the Centre for English Local History, University of Leicester, on 12 November. The programme and booking form was distributed. Alys Levine, a member of the Editorial Board, had agreed to co-ordinate the arrangements for the autumn 2012 conference, probably at the Harcourt campus, of Oxford Brookes University, Botley Road, with presentations by post-graduate and early-career researchers on recent developments in historical demography. [Following the AGM it was agreed that Campus West would be a good venue for the Spring 2012 conference and that Nigel Goose would be willing to organise it.]
7. **Book Club report:** there had been a revival in trade compared with the previous year with an increase in takings of £300. However travel costs had also increased, resulting in a 'negative surplus'. Peter Franklin thanked Terry Shaw for transport, enabling them to attend three events during the year, and appealed for suggestions for new stock.
8. **Newsletter report:** this was the final report by Peter Franklin who was standing down after 17 years. The production and distribution were running smoothly and he thanked the collaborators. Mary Cook and Gillian Chiverton would be editing the next issue while a permanent editor was sought. There was the possibility of an electronic version in future, though members of FACHRS commented that only 20 per cent of their members read the online version. BSPS circulate a PDF version to members by email.

9. **LPS Editor's report:** Following the retirement of Margaret Smith there had been a change of typesetter and the new arrangement was excellent. Rebecca Oakes had replaced Peter Franklin on the Editorial Board. The journal was thriving in its new format, growing in esteem, with a good throughput of articles. Amateur contributors were encouraged. Nigel Goose thanked the Board [many of whom were present] for their willingness, enthusiasm and teamwork. He also thanked Karen for running the office. This was seconded by Mary Cook.
10. **LPS Office report:** Karen reported that the situation with unauthorised direct debits from our current account was now under control, but despite this we intend to transfer our account to another bank. A few members are still paying at the old rate of £12 per annum. They would receive final reminder letters shortly.
11. **Review of LPS Editor's honorarium:** It was agreed that the amount remains appropriate and it was recommended that there should be no change this year.
12. **Elections to the Committee:**  
 Chair – Colin Pooley had come to the end of his first term in office and was willing to stand again. He was proposed by Mary Cook, seconded by Sam Williams and elected unanimously.  
 Ordinary Officer - Sam Williams had come to the end of her term in office and was willing to stand again. She was proposed by Lyn Boothman, seconded by Graham Butler and elected unanimously.  
 Although Peter Franklin was standing down as Newsletter Editor he still had a seat on the Committee as Book Club manager. As the Committee was currently at the maximum laid down in the Constitution Colin asked the members' approval for any new Newsletter Editor appointed to be co-opted to the Committee until the situation could be regularised at the next AGM.
13. **Any other business:** none.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - ACCOUNTS 2010 – 2011

<b>TOTAL 01. 04.10</b>	<b>£75,893</b>
RECEIPTS	£14,323
PAYMENTS	£14,013
SURPLUS of payments over receipts	£ 310
<b>TOTAL 31.03.11</b>	<b>£76,204</b>

#### RECEIPTS

There was an increase in **subscriptions** of about £150 and in **Gift Aid** of £110. The profit of £750 on **Conferences** reflects the invaluable and generous donations from the **Economic History Society**. A donation of £1,500 was received from the **University of Hertfordshire**. **Interest** was £140 this year but as we all know, interest rates are uniformly low.

#### PAYMENTS

There has been a slight increase in the cost of publishing the **Journal and Newsletter**. The cost of running the **General Office** was reduced by £900 this year. **Board and Committee** expenses were also lower a saving of about £550.

**The Roger Schofield Research Fund** disbursed £364 in grants during this financial year.

#### OVERVIEW

Although there has been a slight profit this year this would not be so but for two generous donations. I recommend that the subscription remains the same; the society has reserves and will be able to continue with its activities

If you have any queries about the accounts, please contact me on [vmcook2000@yahoo.com](mailto:vmcook2000@yahoo.com) before 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012. I will not be present at the AGM but will provide written answers.

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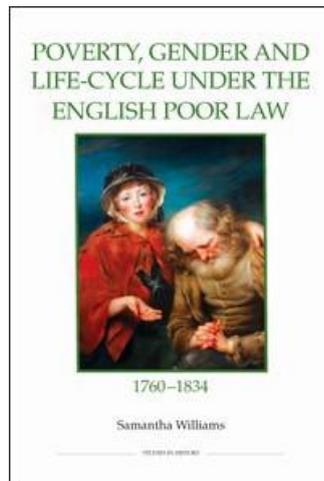
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**Publication from LPSS Committee Member, Sam Williams**

Social welfare, increasingly extensive during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, was by the first third of the nineteenth under considerable, and growing, pressure, during a "crisis" period when levels of poverty soared. This book examines the poor and their families during these final decades of the old Poor Law. It takes as a case study the lived experience of poor families in two Bedfordshire communities, Campton and Shefford, and contrasts it with the perspectives of other participants in parish politics, from the magistracy to the vestry, and from overseers to village ratepayers. It explores the problem of rising unemployment, the provision of parish make-work schemes, charitable provision and the wider makeshift economy, together with the attitudes of the ratepayers. That gender and life-cycle were crucial features of poverty is demonstrated: the lone mother and her dependent children and the elderly dominated the relief rolls. Poor relief might have been relatively generous but it was not pervasive - child allowances, in particular, were restricted in duration and value - and it by no means approximated to the income of other labouring families. Poor families must either have had access to additional resources, or led meagre lives.



Poverty, Gender and Life-cycle under the English Poor Law, c.1760-1834 (Royal Historical Society, Boydell and Brewer, 2011).

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### **The Addelam History Research Group, from Gillian Chiverton**

It is always encouraging to hear of new local history groups and one such group has been formed from a nucleus of people who joined a WEA class in 2008 in Deal, Kent. In their first year, the class examined aspects of Upper Deal around the Victorian era basing their research around Upper Deal using the Tithe Map and available census material. The results of their labours were shown at an exhibition in June 2009 in St Leonard's Church Social Centre when there was a constant stream of visitors from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. As well as the display boards covering many difference topics (The Poor, Maps, Census, two Grand Houses, two Pubs), visitors were able to go on guided walks of the area.

During their second year of study, there was a group project examining properties along Church Path, the traditional route from the seaside town to St Leonard's Parish Church in Upper Deal. As it was the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1910 Inland Revenue Survey, they also looked at the work covered by this important document, making a contribution to The National Archives 'Historic Streets Project'. They also researched some other topics, notably farming in Upper Deal. Another successful exhibition was mounted to show their work to the general public.

As a result of the enthusiasm of the members, who found that delving into Deal's history proved to be such a fulfilling experience, it was decided in the autumn on 2010 to form a new local history group and, in March 2011, the Addelam<sup>2</sup> Local History Research Group held their first Open Meeting in the Astor Local Community Theatre to an audience of over sixty. Four lectures were given covering the following topics: Deal area in old maps – using the first field book sketches and trigonometric surveys, which are the basis of Ordnance Survey maps; The history of the old Royal Marine barracks and the Naval Hospital; a record of the surveys carried out by Deal pilots and a talk about the wife of Sir Frances Samuel Drake, with reference to hatchments in St Leonard's Church, Deal.

In addition, over the past year, a private class studied the impact of the Church on the parish from 1750 to 1837, the accession of Queen Victoria. Some members of the group worked privately producing studies covering Deal Charity School, which opened in 1792, Maps again, with the 1797 Field Book sketches, Deal Pilots and Music of the period and Non-Conformism. Their research results were shown at their third annual exhibition on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2011. The response was so good, with visitors coming from as far afield as East Sussex, that they were invited to show their exhibits again, as a fixed exhibition, over the Christmas period in the refurbished Astor Theatre, Deal.

Alan Buckman, from the WEA, who organised the original classes and is now the Chairman of the Addelam History Research Group, said, "We began our research under the auspices of the WEA, a national adult educational organisation concentrating on the Upper Deal area. Our work has been spread between collaborative projects on a specific theme, such as properties in a street, or a particular source, and individual work has been done by members following their own interests. We have been consulting documents from various locations such as East Kent Archives, the Deal Library Local Studies collection, Canterbury Archives and the National Archives. The internet is proving extremely valuable in uncovering many documents not easily available elsewhere."

Members of the group are happy to give talks on their special areas of interest and it is hoped, in future, to publish papers on the subjects studied. For more information about the group, or to learn more about Deal history, look at their web site [www.eastkenthistory.org.uk](http://www.eastkenthistory.org.uk)

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<sup>2</sup> Addelam is the name for Deal in the Domesday Book

## Parish Boundaries from Michael Saxby

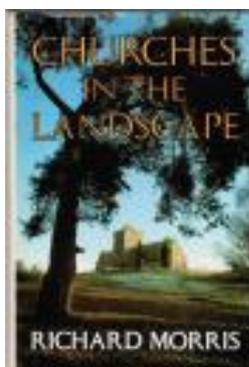
A casual look at the parish boundaries in any county prior to 1832 in the Philimore Atlas quickly shows that their size and shape appear to be entirely random and a total mystery. A prime example of this may be found in Sussex by comparing the huge parish of Worth against the adjoining miniscule parish of Crawley. This is a subject that has interested me for many years and for which I have had a limited time to research. This article is rather a plea to others to research the subject and maybe publish a definitive paper on it.

Richard Morris, in his book on parish churches, reckoned that, in part, the size of a parish depended on the number of tithe-paying parishioners.<sup>3</sup> Regions that had poor soil and were sparsely populated had large parishes. Soils that gave rise to arable farming supported a large working population, which were accommodated in several small parishes crowded together. An example of this might be six or seven long narrow parishes running east-west, south of Salisbury in Wiltshire. According to Morris, long narrow parishes tended to be in places where there is both low and high ground adjacent to each other, as in the Vale of Pickering and the North Yorkshire Moors. A long straight boundary suggests either the existence of a Roman Road or at least a trade route between two cities, as exemplified by the present A15 road north of Lincoln. A river that was either too deep or wide to either ford or build a bridge would clearly form a natural boundary. Sometimes the boundary deviates from the present one because the course of the river has moved from where the original line was fixed.

In almost any county there are examples where a part of the parish is totally detached from the main portion. The small parish of Ashhurst in Kent has a sizable portion in the neighbouring parish of Speldhurst. Angus Winchester in his book on parish boundaries ascribes these features to the possession of land or the rights to tithes in another parish.<sup>4</sup> He also notes another feature in which a number of parishes meet at a single point.

This is well illustrated by nine parishes which meet at a point near Fakenham Magna in Suffolk close to the Norfolk border. Winchester suggests that this arose because it represented an area of grazing land shared by several communities; however he ascribes this incorrectly to the county of Norfolk. In contrast the parishes of Iffley, Littlemore and Sandford on Thames are quite narrow and have the Thames as one boundary, probably because they all needed to access the river.

The features which have been described refer to general features, which may be found in different forms throughout Britain. To discover the origin of the boundary of a particular parish would require considerable research, needing consultation of mediaeval documents often in Latin both in Britain and even abroad. Pamela Taylor did indeed undertake this depth of research in her publication on parish boundaries around Barnet.<sup>5</sup> This has been an area of interest to me, as I was educated at a school in Barnet, and I had often wondered why the county of Hertfordshire extended so far into an area that logically should have been Middlesex. The publication by Taylor sets out to explain the situation.



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<sup>3</sup> Richard Morris (1989) *Churches in the Landscape* J M Dent & Sons Ltd

<sup>4</sup> Angus Winchester (1990) *Discovering Parish Boundaries* Shire Publications Ltd

<sup>5</sup> Pamela Taylor (2005) *A Thousand Years of the Barnet Boundary* Barnet Museum

**A London Life, 1930-1960: Other Days Other Ways, from Gillian Chiverton**

“Nothing has changed more in the last seventy years than the way we do our washing. It was an ancient ritual; the copper, an integral part of the house, stood out from a wall in the scullery (the basement), built of rendered brick. The fire would be laid early Monday morning, a fiddly job, as the aperture was quite small and low down. Laid, as any fire, with crushed newspaper, sticks and coal the latter broken small to fit in, the washing was then put into the copper itself. With lodgers it amounted to an enormous wash. Soiled, stained garments had been scrubbed beforehand with a rough bar of harsh, green household soap and soaked well. Woollens and silks, if any, had to be washed separately, by hand, another day, also rayon, the only man-made fibre then. If you hadn’t got a copper, the washing would be boiled up in a bucket on the gas-stove or range.

The copper was filled with water from a large white enamelled jug, how much it held I’ve no idea, but several gallons; a handful of soda added to soften our hard water (2d a big bag full) and when all the laundry was safely submerged, the whole lot was clamped down with the heavy round wooden lid as it came to the boil, it was necessary for it to actually boil – it took over an hour or more – it was stirred about frequently with a great wooden copper stick, the fire stoked up the trap door closed, the ash falling to the ground beneath. When beginning to boil it would make the familiar, unmistakable sound, bubble, bubble, thump, thump, bubble, faster and faster, an unforgettable smell arose amid the warm billowing steam and down in the dark basement the fire glinted and I danced about in an atavistic ceremony. “O do get out of the way, Girlie, do, it’s boiling – get out of the way – *quick*.” The lid was raised, the dripping clothes lifted with the copper stick into the galvanised bath or tub. The fire died down, and it seemed over.

Not for Mum and Aunt it wasn’t. There was scrubbing on the scrubbing board, working the dolly up and down in the tub, then the rinsing, the bluing, the starching and the hanging up to dry – if at all possible out of doors. The ashes had to be riddled out and swept up and some of the hot sods bailed out with a little metal-handled bowl and used to mop up the messy floor, then left to dry. No wonder it was always cold meat off Sunday’s joint for dinner and a bit of cold pie, for after that there was all the folding with some items rolled up for damp ironing. The whole process took lots of time and energy but gave much satisfaction too, piles of fresh, creaseless, sweet-smelling laundry lots of tea and chatter. A job well done.”



“A job well done.”

**Dorothea Teague, Synjon Books 2005, [www.synjonbooks.co.uk](http://www.synjonbooks.co.uk)**

## **Cambridge Diploma in Local History, from Sam Williams**

This Diploma course, one of two Diplomas in this discipline offered by the Institute, is designed for students who have appropriate knowledge, experience and enthusiasm in this field. It offers a combination of theoretical and practical approaches to local and regional history. It is usually held on a Thursday evening at Madingley Hall, Madingley, Cambridge, and runs between October and July. The course is taught through a mixture of illustrated lectures, seminars, field trips and discussion.

### **Diploma II, October 2012 – July 2013**

#### **Term 1: The people and the parish c.1500-c.1700**

During the period covered by this unit momentous changes occurred within England as a whole, in, for example, administration, population size, agricultural practice and organised religion. Because the parish was an important administrative unit, the unit considers how the parish functioned, as well as at its officers and its records. Churchwardens' accounts, overseers' and vestry records, and charity records are considered in some detail since they highlight landholding, religious observance, church repairs, and relief of the poor. As the manorial court declined in importance, other legal machinery took its place and legal processes are studied using the records of both central and local courts. Particular themes that are addressed are population size, agricultural improvement and early enclosure.

#### **Term 2: Poverty, disease and medicine in the local community, c.1500-1914**

This unit covers the history of poverty, disease and medicine broadly defined between 1500 and 1900. It will not provide a conventional 'history of medicinal advances or gadgets' but will provide a history of all manner of medical practitioners in the local community, as well as infirmary, dispensary and hospital provision, and the professionalisation of the medical profession during the nineteenth century. The unit will place the development of the medical 'profession' within the context of high mortality rates from a wide range of diseases in the earlier period and rapidly falling rates after 1870. The implementation of the Public Health Acts will be explored, as will the extent of poverty and welfare provision through the Old and New Poor Laws. The unit will explore the extent to which the state became responsible for certain welfare measures by 1914.

#### **Term 3: Local history project**

For this unit students write a research project of 4,000-5,000 words on a local history topic. The project is supervised by a tutor and students are offered advice on choosing a viable research project. Students are expected to use primary as well as secondary sources and to place their findings within historical debates on their topic.

Further details will be available in March 2012 from <http://www.ice.cam.ac.uk/awards>



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### **Eliza and Elizabeth** from Peter Razzell

Christine Jones has described in her article (Newsletter 49 -September 2011, pp 10, 11) the presence of two living same name children in Great Bentley, Essex during the nineteenth century. She argues that this raises questions about the accuracy of the same-name technique, but her example of two living children in the same family with the names Eliza and Elizabeth does not contradict the assumptions of the technique. In my original article, I proposed that ‘for a child to be counted as a same-name case, the second child should have *exactly* (my italics) the same Christian name(s) as the first and be born to the same parents.’<sup>6</sup>

This assumption was to avoid the ambiguity of certain names, and in my own work, I have always assumed that the names Eliza and Elizabeth were different names. It appears that the name Eliza emerged as a first name in the nineteenth century, and an examination of four sets of Cambridge Group reconstitution schedules – for Alcester, Aldenham, Austrey and Banbury – reveals virtually no use of the name before the early nineteenth century. Perhaps the use of the name Eliza requires further study, but the rule of identical naming avoids the difficulty of ambiguous naming practices, and should always be used when employing the same-name technique.

### **Eliza and Elizabeth** from Sheila White

I was interested to read your article in the LPSS Newsletter 49 about the repeat use of first names in the 19thC. I am not a subscriber to the journal, but am currently studying with the Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies, and was passed the newsletter by a friend.

Last year, I carried out some research into the life of Malcolm Heywood who was the organist at All Saint's Church, Hertford, at the end of the 19thC. He named both his first and third sons Malcolm, and all three Malcolms were alive and living in the Heywood household in 1891. One can only speculate, but surely the boys must have been known by their middle names? Malcolm Aubrey Heywood was born in 1882 and his brother Malcolm Theobald (his mother's maiden name) was born in 1888. Both sons lived into old age and continued to give their names as Malcolm on later census returns and in other instances – e.g. USA WWI Draft papers (Malcolm A) and phone book (Malcolm T).

The research is written up in the journal of the Hertford and Ware Local History Society journal December 2010. There should be a copy at Herts Archives and Local Studies and I also have a copy of the 1891 census return showing the Heywood household - RG12; Piece: 1110; Folio 24; Page 1.

My own family was fond of the names Eliza and Elizabeth and in one instance I have found the names given to sisters. Eliza Emily Kirk was born 1888 to Harry and Elizabeth (Copley Knapp) Kirk and their daughter Elizabeth was born c1894. Both Eliza and Elizabeth appear on the 1901 census RG13; Piece 2984; Folio 94; Page 3. I wonder if they just didn't think of it as the same name.

## NEWS FROM THE ARCHIVES

East Kent Archives closed their doors to the public on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2011. A new purpose-built archive centre is to be opened in Spring 2012 in Maidstone and will include local libraries.

Canterbury Cathedral Archives are to be closed for at least seven months with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012. This is due to essential maintenance work to be done on the roof.

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<sup>6</sup> P. Razzell, ‘Evaluating the same-name technique as a way of measuring burial register reliability in England’, *Local Population Studies*, 64 (2000), 20.

## Not the first-class post

Gone is the Night Mail, dead as the ghost  
Of the telegram boy and cheques in the post.  
Gone are the early morning knocks  
Of the postman bearing a parcel of socks  
Or a bright new tea-towel chosen with thrift  
As the thought that counts of a well-meant gift.  
Now, say the box-ticked cards on the mat:  
"You were out when we called." And that is that.  
The cherry-picked stump of the Royal Mail  
The haunt of the tortoise, the slug and the snail,  
Stricken by unions and privatisation  
Is a drain on the purse of a hard-pressed nation.  
So the prices rise like a wall, not a ramp:  
They'll charge what they like for a first-class stamp.  
A pound an envelope will make it hard  
To keep in touch by Christmas card.  
And on the horizon's a yen to reverse all  
The things that make service universal:  
Delivered daily to croft and isle,  
Or down the lane that winds for a mile.  
When sending a letter's a song and dance,  
Like a railway ticket bought in advance,  
We might shed a tear we ever went back  
To the days before the Penny Black.

*(with apologies to W. H. Auden)*<sup>7</sup>



Sir James Graham holds a review of the London Postmen.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Comment in *Daily Telegraph* on Saturday, October 22, 2011, p. 25

<sup>8</sup> From <http://www.victorianweb.org/periodicals/punch>

## News from the Local Population History Book Club, from Peter Franklin

### Conference Bookstall

Terry Shaw and I took the full bookstall to the Leicester Conference in November. Thanks to Karen Rothery and Sam Williams for travel information, and to everyone who helped on the day with the stall – or I might say *bookshop*, as this was one of the occasions when we have the use of a separate room.

### New Titles

There are no new titles to announce this time.

We have obtained a further supply of David Hey's *The Oxford Companion to Family and Local History*, (2<sup>nd</sup> edition), which was mentioned in Newsletter 49, but these are likely to be the last copies we can get. This hardback book of 661 pages was published by Oxford University Press at a retail price of £25-00, and we are happy to be able to offer copies at only £12-00 each.

It looks like a misprint, but it isn't.

### Welwyn Garden City Conference, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2012

We look forward to bringing our full bookstall to the Society's second conference at Welwyn on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2012. There will be about 80 titles available, as usual.

### Ordering by Post

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- Abbreviations used:-
- F.F.H.S. = The Federation of Family History Societies.
- H.G.R.G. = the Historical Geography Research Group.
- O.P.R. = Original Parish Registers.
- U.P. = University Press
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## Forthcoming Events

18 Feb 2012 Preston, UCLIFLH, Study Day: *Medicine and health care in the nineteenth and early twentieth century*, led by Keith Vernon.

For details and bookings, please contact: Susan Bailey, Administrator – I.L.F.H., University of Central Lancashire, Preston PR1 2HE, tel: 01772 893053, Email: [smbailey@uclan.ac.uk](mailto:smbailey@uclan.ac.uk)

21<sup>st</sup> February – 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012 Cambridge,  
'*Sex and gender: men, women and social change*', five weekly sessions  
'*Health, wealth and poverty*', five weekly sessions

For details see [www.ice.cam.ac.uk/madingleyweekly](http://www.ice.cam.ac.uk/madingleyweekly)

2 - 4 March 2012 Cambridge,  
'*Markets and Fairs: from Medieval to Modern*', residential course.  
'*English Village History: sources, methods and themes*', residential course.  
For details <http://www.ice.cam.ac.uk/courses/weekend-courses>

9 – 10 March 2012 Liverpool, BSPS, *Bob Woods Memorial Symposium*  
*Global Demography* Tim Dyson: *Population Modelling* Phil Rees: *Historical Demography* Tony Wrigley: *Fetal, infant and childhood mortality*, speaker to be announced: *Demography and Medical History* Frans van Poppel  
Further details on the website <http://www2.lse.ac.uk/socialPolicy/BSPS/dayMeetings/Home.aspx>  
or E-mail Bill Gould ([wts@liv.ac.uk](mailto:wts@liv.ac.uk))

17 Mar 2012, Preston, UCLIFLH Conference "*Lancastrians Abroad*"  
Speakers include Mairtin O'Cathain: *Lancashire militia units in the 1798 Irish Rebellion*. Jennifer Lewis: *Wesham and the War: the people of a Lancashire village, 1914-18*. Billy Frank: *Lancashire and Africa: from colonial servants to expats, 1945 – 1995*. Peter Park: *A Liverpudlian at Ladysmith*.  
For more information and booking, please contact Susan Bailey, details above.

10<sup>th</sup> April 2012, on-line, *Sex and gender*: online seminar group  
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21<sup>st</sup> April 2012, Welwyn Garden City, L.P.S.S. Spring Conference, "*Regional Development in Industrialising Britain, c.1670-1860*"  
*See page 20, below, for full programme and booking form.*

12-13 May 2012 Gambier Parry Hall, Highnam, nr Gloucester FACHR Conference "Waterside Communities"  
Speakers include Mr Michael Miles: *The Lives of Canal Boatwomen*. Two other speakers on *Seaside Resorts* and *Port Communities*. On Sunday there will be a free morning Skills Workshop  
For more information and booking contact: [angela.blaydon@fachrs.org.uk](mailto:angela.blaydon@fachrs.org.uk) or [www.fachrs.org.uk](http://www.fachrs.org.uk)

19 May 2012 Preston Conference, *Reflections on disability history: people, places and perceptions*  
Speakers include Martin Atherton: *The Royal Deaf School*.  
For more information and booking, please contact Susan Bailey, details above.

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2012, Oxford, L.P.S.S. Autumn Conference,  
*Details to be announced in Newsletter 51.*

**The Local Population Studies Society Spring Conference  
Campus West, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire AL8 6BX  
Saturday 21st April 2012**

**Regional Development in Industrialising Britain, c.1670-1860**

**Sponsored by The Economic History Society, The Centre for Regional and Local History, University of Hertfordshire, and LPSS.**

- 9.30-10.05      Registration, coffee and welcome.
- 10.05-11.05      *Lecture*  
‘The social geography of philanthropy in England and Wales *or* the cultural roots of industrialisation?’ – Nigel Goose (University of Hertfordshire)
- 11.05-12.30      *Panel One: Regional Industrialisation*  
‘Spinning the web: networks of production in the Lancashire textile industries during the 18<sup>th</sup> century’ – Jon Stobart (University of Northampton)  
‘A micro-historical perspective on the Cornish metal mining region of the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century’ – Bernard Deacon (University of Exeter)  
‘More than broken stones: road improvements in industrialising regions’ – Geoff Timmins (University of Central Lancashire)
- 12.30-1.00      AGM of the Local Population Studies Society
- 12.45-2.00      Lunch
- 2.00-3.15      *Panel Two: Migration*  
‘Locality, region or nation? Exploring the links between migration and place in industrialising Britain c. 1750-1860’ – Colin Pooley (University of Lancaster)  
‘The business of migration: selling emigration to Scottish labourers, 1800-1850’ – Melodee Beals (University of Warwick)
- 3.15-4.30      *Panel Three: Society*  
‘Children, work and the region: rethinking child labour during the industrial revolution’ – Emma Griffin (University of East Anglia)  
‘The economics of overseeing and regional development: thoughts and speculations’ – Steve King (University of Leicester)
- 4.30              Tea and conference closes

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The conference fee is £25 for LPSS members, £30 for non members, inclusive of all refreshments. Please reserve ..... places. I enclose a cheque for..... (payable to ‘Local Population Studies Society’).

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