

Descendants of

William Skipworth

of

Little Steeping, Lincolnshire

Associated villages:

**Swaby, Ashby by Partney,
Theddlethorpe, Louth, Thoresway**

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Introduction

Throughout the nineteenth century, this group of families, descended from William Skipworth of Little Steeping, and his wife Jane BRIGGS, have remained quite close to their point of origin. William was most likely an agricultural labourer like his son William of Swaby, though we have no information on that point. Through the first half of the century they continued to be agricultural labourers, but later we find them branching out into small businesses as diverse as bricklayer and confectioner as new opportunities arose associated with the urbanisation of the population. It was not until the early twentieth century that significant dispersal occurred.

The census records show that it was quite common for the children of agricultural labourers to be away from home in their early teens, as farm boys or domestic servants. Where the relationship to head of household in a census is given as servant this means a live-in employee. It could be a domestic servant in the modern sense, but it could also be a labourer or a trade employee. The original census image will often clarify ambiguous cases.

A map of their area appears on the following page. The chief villages to look for on the map are Little Steeping, Swaby, Ashby by Partney, Theddlethorpe, Louth, Thoresway.

Thoresway is on the outer fringe of this family's area and could cause some confusion. It has a boundary with Rothwell parish where an unrelated family of Skipworths were farming at that period. Some records of the Rothwell family are recorded at Thoresway. The census makes it quite clear however, that Richard of Thoresway was born at Swaby. He was not from the Rothwell family.

To guide the reader through the five generations a chart is included showing all descendants mentioned in the text. One of the possibilities for the relationship of these families to other groups of Skipworths is shown at the top of this chart.

The chart shows William and Jane with 9 children, 23 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 15 gt gt grandchildren. However, it should be noted that only male lines have been followed beyond the first generation. If female line descendants had been included as well the numbers would have been greater. Never-the-less the smaller numbers in this family compared with other families in this series is noticeable. This can be attributed to the chance that only one son in the second generation established a family whose male line carried into the second half of the 19th century. Maybe the fact that one of the gt gt grandsons produced 10 sons will have carried them through the twentieth century without the surname becoming extinct.

Apparent inconsistencies have arisen in these and other Skipworth families through individuals changing the way their names are expressed. The order of Christian names may have been reversed, or a second Christian name added, or adopted as the sole name. Occasionally, a different name altogether seems to have been substituted.

There are also apparent inconsistencies in the places of birth as stated in the census returns, particularly when a young person has left home. Either the person filling in the census return was not accurately informed, or the person remembered the place they grew up, not the place of birth.

Transcription errors have crept in, both in compiling the original returns, and in the production of modern indexes. However, unless otherwise indicated in the notes, I am reasonably confident of the identifications because of the relative rarity of the surname and the completeness of the census coverage every ten years.

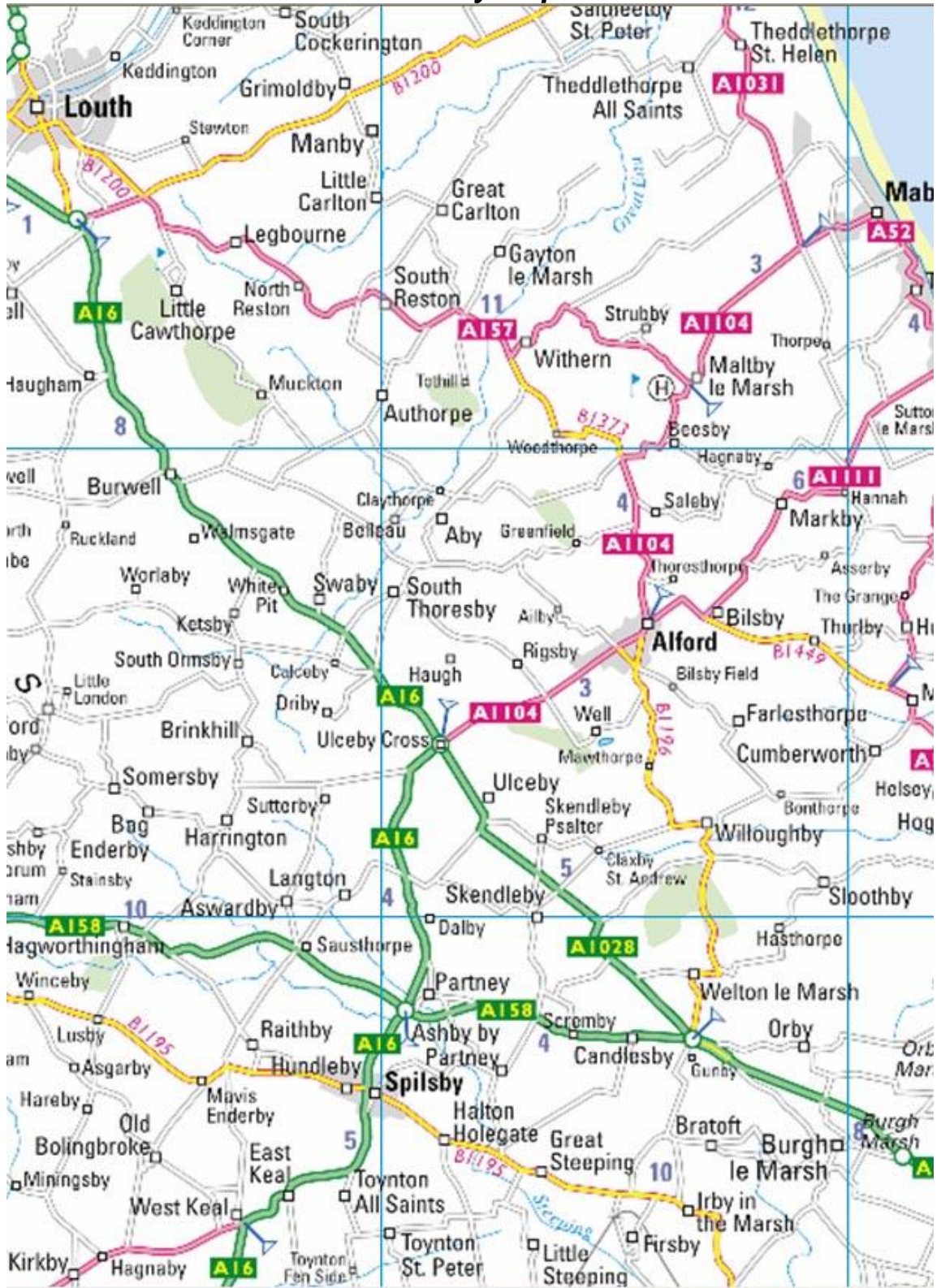
Inconsistencies in ages are probably due in the main to difficulties in reading the census returns.

I am pleased to acknowledge help received from Philip Knowles and Ann Press, descendants of William Skipworth of Swaby.

I would be pleased to be notified of any errors or further additions at the address below.

Some abbreviations used: RD = Registration District (for births, marriages, deaths)

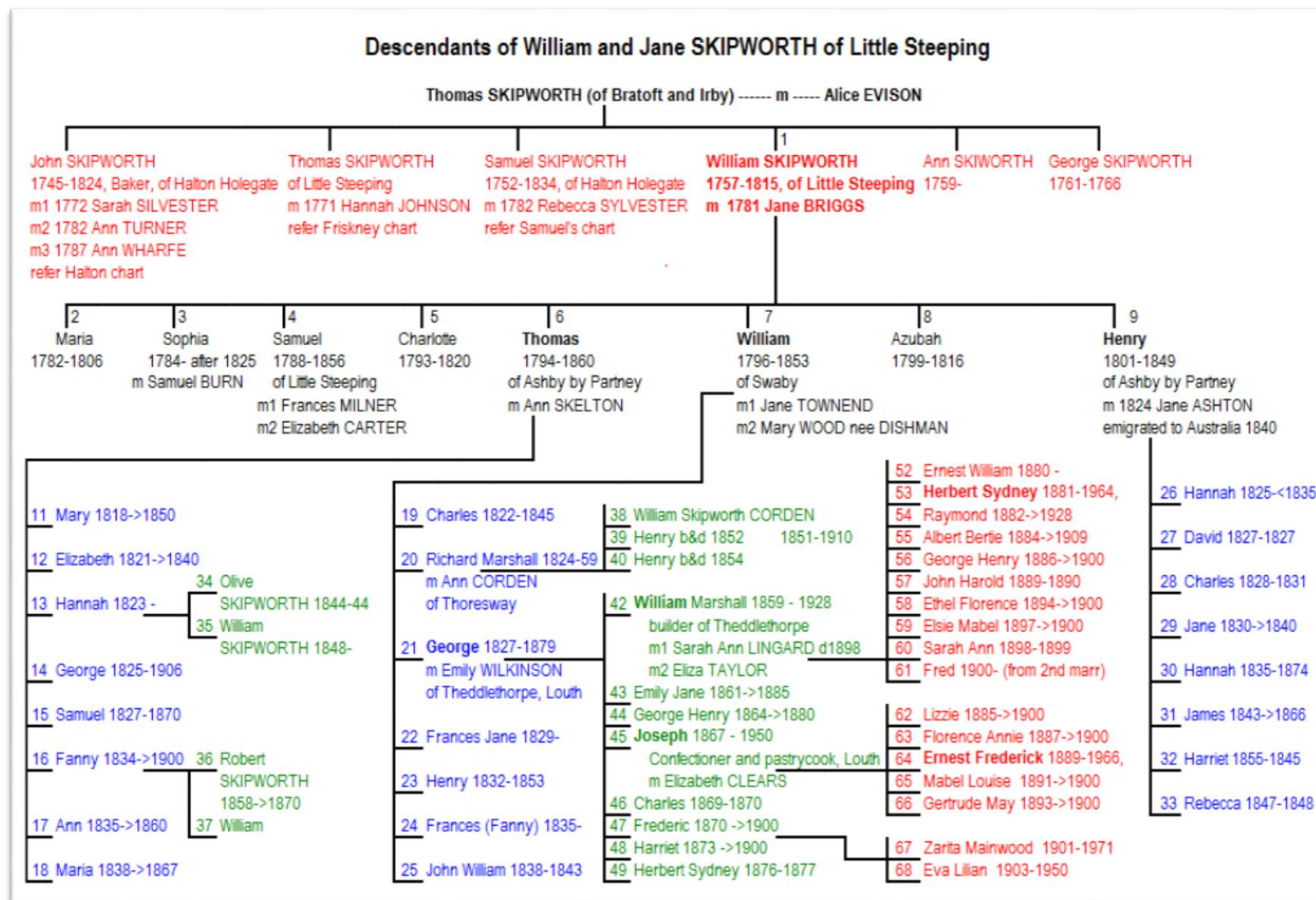
Swaby Map



Scale: 1 map square = 10 kilometres

Swaby is close to the A16, near the centre of the map.
Thoresway is off the map approx 20 km north-west of Louth.
Little Steeping and Bratoft are S.E of Spilsby,
Grimoldby and Theddlethorpe are east of Louth
Ashby by Partney is just north of Spilsby

William Skipworth of Little Steeping



First Generation

1. William SKIPWORTH of Little Steeping, was born about 1757 and was buried age 58 on 2 May 1815 in Little Steeping, Lincolnshire, UK.¹

William's probable descent from Thomas SKIPWORTH and Alice EVISON is discussed in my paper "*Skipworths from around Spilsby*".¹⁷ Thomas and Alice were buried at Little Steeping, in 1795 and 1800 respectively, and it is likely they were living with or close to this son William.

There was a William Skipworth baptised at Grimoldby on 19 Oct 1760, youngest of the 10 children of Thomas Skipwith and Elizabeth Crowston. [The overlaps in their families makes it impossible for this to be the same Thomas who married Alice Evison in 1745.] However the evidence in favour of Thomas and Alice being this William's parents seems to me more convincing.

William married **Jane BRIGGS** on 12 Mar 1781 in Little Steeping.² Both parties marked the marriage record instead of signing, the witnesses were not family members. Jane was born about 1759 and died aged 55 on 11 May 1814 in Little Steeping.¹ The *Stamford Mercury* noted on 27 May 1814: "Died suddenly at Little Steeping Mrs Skipworth", at a time when relatively few people were accorded death notices in the papers.

Their children were:

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|---|-------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2 | i. | Maria SKIPWORTH 1782 - 1806 | <i>Refer to page 7</i> |
| 3 | ii. | Sophia SKIPWORTH 1784 - after 1825 | <i>Refer to page 7</i> |
| 4 | iii. | Samuel SKIPWORTH of Little Steeping 1788 - 1856 | <i>Refer to page 7</i> |
| 5 | iv. | Charlotte SKIPWORTH 1793 - 1820 | <i>Refer to page 7</i> |
| 6 | v. | Thomas SKIPWORTH of Ashby 1794 - 1860 | <i>Refer to page 7</i> |
| 7 | vi. | William SKIPWORTH of Swaby 1796 - 1853 | <i>Refer to page 8</i> |
| 8 | vii. | Azubah SKIPWORTH 1799 - 1816 | <i>Refer to page 10</i> |
| 9 | viii. | Henry SKIPWORTH of Ashby 1801 - 1849 | <i>Refer to page 10</i> |

William's eldest son Samuel left a will (1856) in which he passed his copyhold house and land to his brother Thomas. The following advertisement suggests that this small-holding had come to Samuel from the previous generation, named as James Skipwith in the advertisement. I believe that the occupier was actually William Skipworth, as James Skipwith is not a name that has been found in the Little Steeping records.

Lloyd's Evening Post (London, England), Wednesday, September 4, 1776

To be sold, an estate at Little Steeping, part freehold part copyhold, consisting of several farms in the respective tenures of Mr William Brickhill (principal tenant), James Skipwith, and Robert Lawrence at yearly rents amounting together to £134 net of taxes etc.

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Second Generation (Children)

2. **Maria SKIPWORTH** (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 26 Feb 1782 in Little Steeping,³ and buried there, aged 24 on 21 Aug 1806.¹⁰

Maria had a daughter

10 i. **Prudence Maria SKIPWORTH** 1800 - after 1850 *Refer to page 11*

3. **Sophia SKIPWORTH** (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 3 Feb 1784 in Little Steeping.³

Sophia married **Samuel BURN or BOURN** on 15 May 1805 in Willoughby with Sloothby, Lincolnshire.⁴ They had 6 children baptised at Willoughby between 1807 and 1825.

4. **Samuel SKIPWORTH of Little Steeping** (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was born about 1788 in Little Steeping, and was buried age 68 on 27 Aug 1856 in Little Steeping.¹

1788: parents guessed to be William and Jane as he fits well in that family. Thomas and Hannah of Little Steeping are the other possible parents, but no record of them producing children later than 1776 has been found.

1841: age approx 50, with wife Frances at Little Steeping

1851: age 63 born Steeping, cottager living alone at Little Steeping.

1856: Coroner's inquest - suicide due to insanity (hanged himself after taking laudanum)

1856: Will of Samuel Skipworth of Little Steeping, yeoman made 23 Aug 1856.

To bro Thomas S of Ashby all copyhold house and land at Little Steeping and all chattels but to pay wife Elizabeth 50 pounds and give her one bed and bedding and all linen which she had when they were married. Also Thomas to put in hand a stone in churchyard at Little Steeping to his first wife Frances. Proved 22 Sep 1856 by Thomas Skipworth, testator died 25 Aug 1856.¹⁶ There were apparently no surviving children.

Samuel married **Frances MILNER** on 13 Nov 1829 in Little Steeping.^{2, 15} Frances was born about 1794 and was buried age 49 on 19 Nov 1843 in Little Steeping.^{1, 6}

Samuel next married **Elizabeth CARTER** in 1851 in Spilsby RD,⁶ after the census. Elizabeth was born about 1807 and was buried age 50 on 23 Sep 1857 in Little Steeping.¹

5. **Charlotte SKIPWORTH** (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 8 Jul 1793 in Little Steeping,³ and was buried age 27 on 21 Jul 1820 at Firsby.¹ (between Irby and Little Steeping)

6. **Thomas SKIPWORTH of Ashby** (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was born about 1794 in Little Steeping, and was buried there age 66 on 22 Jun 1860.¹

1794: parents guessed, same comments as recorded for his brother Samuel above

1841: age approx 45, with children Elizabeth, Fanny, Ann, Maria. (wife Ann not at home)

1851: age 58 born Steeping, ag lab at Ashby, with wife Ann, Maria 12, and Mary Skelton 87, visitor, widow, pauper.

1856: Parish Clerk, Ashby by Partney - Kelly's Directory

1856: brother and heir of Samuel, inherited house and copyhold land at Little Steeping, probably moved to Little Steeping at this time, hence burial at Steeping.

Thomas married **Ann SHELTON/SKELTON** on 18 Dec 1817 in Ashby by Partney.² Ann was born about 1794 in Little Steeping and was buried there age 74 on 29 Dec 1868.^{1, 6}

1841: Not at home

1851: age 57 born Steeping, with husband, daughter Maria, and her elderly mother

1861: age 66 born Holby, Lincolnshire, widow and head of household, of Railway Tavern Little Steeping, freehold cottager [presumably the inheritance from Samuel] with daughter Ann and 2 grandsons, John BOURNE age 12 and John _____ age 3.

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No male line grandsons have been found for Thomas & Ann, so the name may be extinct in this line.

Their children were:

11	i.	Mary SKIPWORTH 1818 - after 1850	<i>Refer to page 11</i>
12	ii.	Elizabeth SKIPWORTH 1821 - after 1840	<i>Refer to page 11</i>
13	iii.	Hannah SKIPWORTH 1823 - after 1849	<i>Refer to page 11</i>
14	iv.	George SKIPWORTH 1825 - 1906	<i>Refer to page 11</i>
15	v.	Samuel SKIPWORTH 1827 - 1870	<i>Refer to page 11</i>
16	vi.	Fanny SKIPWORTH 1834 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 11</i>
17	vii.	Ann SKIPWORTH 1835 - after 1860	<i>Refer to page 12</i>
18	viii.	Maria SKIPWORTH 1838 - after 1867	<i>Refer to page 12</i>

7. William SKIPWORTH of Swaby (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 23 Apr 1796 in Little Steeping³ and buried age 57 on 14 Oct 1853 in Swaby, Lincolnshire.¹

William of Swaby is identified as the son of William and Jane of Little Steeping because of his stated birthplace "G. Steping" in 1851, though the age does not agree perfectly. Possibly the figure has been misread.

1832: William Skipworth, labourer, accused at Lincoln Assizes of setting fire to 4 stacks of corn, the property of Charles Hill of Sth Thoresby (which is close by Swaby). The court documents need examining to see if they state a parish for William. To have engaged a barrister for a full day's hearing must have been a considerable expense for this family, unless of course there was some labourer's organisation or benefactor supporting him.

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LINCOLN, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7.
CROWN COURT.—(Before Mr. Justice J. PARKE.)
William Skipworth, a day labourer, about the age of 35, was indicted for having feloniously and maliciously set fire to four stacks of corn belonging to a farmer, named Charles Hill, at South Thoresby, on the 10th of April last.
Mr. N. CLARKE conducted the prosecution, and Mr. WHITEHURST the defence.
It appeared that the stacks of corn in question were set on fire about 9 or 10 o'clock at night, and on the following day the prisoner was apprehended on suspicion and carried before the justices. After examining all the witnesses who were examined to day, the magistrates were of opinion that there was not sufficient evidence against the prisoner to commit him for trial, and he was therefore discharged. Seven or eight months afterwards, a blacksmith of the name of Graves, who lived in the same village with the prisoner, about a mile from the premises on which the fire took place, was committed to Louth jail on a charge of uttering a forged bank-note, and shortly afterwards a man named Rowson was committed on a charge of a similar nature. Graves having determined to come forward as a witness against Rowson, and hearing that Skipworth was about to come forward in his favour, immediately gave information that Skipworth was the person who had set Mr. Hill's stacks on fire, he, Graves, having seen him do so on the night of the 10th of April, as he was going to a public-house for some gin. His reason, he said, for not mentioning the circumstance before was because his wife told him not, for fear Skipworth, who was their neighbour, should be hanged. But she was now dead, and he was determined to tell the truth. The leading facts stated by the other witnesses, in corroboration of the story of Graves, were, that a man, resembling the prisoner in figure and dress, was seen that night coming from towards the fire, and skulked away when spoken to; that when the alarm of fire was given in the prisoner's village, he stated that he saw "a shine" in the direction of Thoresby; although the witnesses could see none, nor did they think it possible to see it, because the village stood in a valley, and a steep hill stood between it and Thoresby; besides which, some loose expressions were used both before and after the fire by the prisoner, who first stated that the radicals would soon have a fire in this valley; and afterwards he expressed his opinion that the fires were the best things that ever occurred for the country; they would do great good to the labourers, and procure them an increase of wages. There were some other minor points of suspicion spoken to, but the Jury, after an investigation that lasted from 9 o'clock in the morning until nearly 6 in the evening, returned a verdict of *Not Guilty*.

from *The Times* 10 March 1832

- 1838: age 42, married with 7 children, of Louth, tried at Lincoln Assizes for stealing milk, convicted and sentenced to 7 years for larceny
Prison Hulk Register # 5210 Wm Skipworth age 42, married with 7 children, charged for stealing milk, able to read and write, agricultural lab, charged with arson and poaching, bad in every respect, transferred to ship *Justitia* moored at Woolwich. character - bad in every respect, also charged with arson and poaching.
1841: "age 40" in prison hulk on the Thames
1851: age 53 born G Steping, ag lab Swaby with wife Mary 47, children Henery, Fanny

William married **Jane TOWNEND** on 6 Mar 1821 in Swaby, both "of this parish", William signed and Jane marked the register.² Jane was born about 1800 and was buried age 45 on 27 May 1845 in Swaby.¹ She died of consumption.¹⁴

1841: Jane aged about 40, Independent, living at Swaby with 6 children.
The family is indexed Skipwith, and two of the baptisms are under Skipwith so it appears this was an accepted variant of their name. Jane's husband William is missing from the family, but he was apparently not dead as he reappeared in Swaby in 1851, following Jane's death, with a new wife Mary, and two of Jane's younger children.

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Someone was supporting them, as Jane was able to declare herself independent, rather than pauper. William appears to have been in a prison hulk as indicated above. Had his absence been temporary Jane is more likely to have been listed as "wife".

Their children were:

19	i.	Charles SKIPWORTH 1822 - 1845	<i>Refer to page 12</i>
20	ii.	Richard Marshall SKIPWORTH 1824 - 1859	<i>Refer to page 12</i>
21	iii.	George SKIPWORTH 1827 - 1879	<i>Refer to page 14</i>
22	iv.	Frances Jane (Jane) SKIPWORTH 1829 - after 1850	<i>Refer to page 14</i>
23	v.	Henry SKIPWORTH 1832 - 1853	<i>Refer to page 14</i>
24	vi.	Frances Ann (Fanny) SKIPWORTH 1835- after 1858	<i>Refer to page 14</i>
25	vii.	John William SKIPWORTH 1837 - 1843	<i>Refer to page 14</i>

William remarried **Mary WOOD nee DISHMAN** on 1 Oct 1845 at Louth Registry Office.^{6, 14} Mary was born about 1804 in Blankney, Lincolnshire, and died after 1850.

8. Azubah SKIPWORTH (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 8 Feb 1799 in Little Steeping,³ and was buried, age 16 of Steeping, on 1 Feb 1816 in Willoughby with Sloothby.¹

Azubah may have gone to her sister Sophia BURN at Willoughby after her mother's death in 1814. Her father was to die three months after Azubah.

9. Henry SKIPWORTH of Ashby (*William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 29 Dec 1801 in Little Steeping.³ Henry Skipworth died in North Adelaide aged 46 on 19 Feb 1849.

Henry married **Jane ASHTON**, widow, on 14 Jun 1824 in Ashby by Partney, Lincolnshire.² The family has not been found in the 1841 census of England and Wales.

Henry Skipworth emigrated to Sth Australia in 1840. He was aged over 35 and under 50 in the 1841 census of South Australia. Information from *Biographical Index of South Australians 1836-1885*, produced by SA Genealogy & Heraldry Society, is difficult to evaluate because information from official sources has been merged with details provided by families.

The listing in *Biographical Index* reads: SKIPWORTH, Henry, (wife Jane), (Rebecca and Sarah)/ Jane and Hannah arrived 3 Oct 1840 on *Baboo*, from Liverpool. The meaning of the brackets in this listing is unknown

Sources most likely to assist in identifying this Henry are: Register of Emigrant Labourers applying for free passage to South Australia 1836-1841 PRO CO 386/149-151; also *Manifests of Vessels arriving from Overseas 1838-42*, SA Archives, GRG 41/8 (formerly A 743).

Henry and Jane's children were:

26	i.	Hannah or Harriet SKIPWORTH 1825 - 1831	<i>Refer to page 15</i>
27	ii.	David SKIPWORTH 1827 - 1827	<i>Refer to page 15</i>
28	iii.	Charles SKIPWORTH 1828 - 1831	<i>Refer to page 15</i>
29	iv.	Jane SKIPWORTH 1830 - after 1840	<i>Refer to page 15</i>
30	v.	Hannah SKIPWORTH 1835 - 1874	<i>Refer to page 15</i>

Henry remarried **Elizabeth BARRETT nee WOODLEY**, widow of John BARRETT, on 6 Sep 1840 in Adelaide, South Australia. She was born in 1805 in Hungerford, Wiltshire and died in 1885 in Adelaide, South Australia.

Henry and Elizabeth's children were

31	vi.	James SKIPWORTH 1843 - 1917	<i>Refer to page 15</i>
32	vii.	Harriet SKIPWORTH 1844 - 1845	<i>Refer to page 15</i>
33	viii.	Rebecca SKIPWORTH 1847 - 1848	<i>Refer to page 15</i>

Third Generation (Grandchildren)

10. Prudence Maria SKIPWORTH (*Maria SKIPWORTH², William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 8 Mar 1800 in Little Steeping, no father named. The name Maria appeared in her marriage record, not in her baptism.

Prudence married **Robert SMITH** on 3 Apr 1834 in Hainton, Lincolnshire.⁵

11. Mary SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 8 Mar 1818 in Ulceby, Lincolnshire.⁸

1851: age 34, born Firsby, unmarried housekeeper at Thornton Fen allotments

12. Elizabeth SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 27 May 1821 in Ashby by Partney.⁷

1841: age approx 20, at home Ashby

13. Hannah SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 7 Jul 1823 in Ashby by Partney.⁷

Hannah had two children before her marriage, with unknown fathers:

- 34 i. **Olive SKIPWORTH** 1844-1844
- 35 ii. **William SKIPWORTH** 1848 -

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Hannah married **George BOURNE** in 1848 in Spilsby RD.⁶ They had a further 8 children.

14. George SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 13 Mar 1825 in Ashby by Partney,⁷ and died age 82 in 1906 in Spilsby RD.⁶

1851: age 24 born Ashby, farm servant at Willoughby
1861: age 36 born Ashby, ploughman at Sloothby
1881: age 55 born Ashby, ag servant, unmarried, living with farmer at Croft
1891: age 62 born Ashby, servant at Thorpe St Peter
1901: age 75 born Ashby, waggoner on farm at Thorpe St Peter

15. Samuel SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 6 May 1827 in Ashby by Partney,⁷ and died age 43 in 1870 in Dudley RD (on Stafford/Worcester border).⁶

1851: possibly - age 22 born Spilsby, rail labourer, lodger at Great Ponton
1861: age 34 born Ashby, Linc, labourer, living at Dudley Worcester with wife Sarah

Samuel married **Sarah SMITH** in 1857 in Dudley RD.⁶ Sarah was born abt 1822 in Dudley, Worcestershire.

16. Fanny SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 28 Dec 1834 in Ashby by Partney,⁷ and died after 1900.

1841: age 8 at home with parents
1851: age 17 b Ashby, nursemaid at Skendleby
1861: age 27 b Little Steeping, dressmaker in Lincoln with son Robert
1871: age 37 b Ashby by Partney, unmarried, dressmaker lodger, Lincoln with son Robert aged 13
1881: age 47 b Horncastle, unmarried, visitor, dressmaker, at Loughborough
1891: age 57 b Ashby, lodger at St Swithin, Lincoln
1901: age 67 b Ashby by Spilsby, boarder at St Swithin Lincoln, dressmaker

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Fanny had two sons with unknown fathers:

- 36 i. **Robert SKIPWORTH** 1857 - after 1870
- 37 ii. **William SKIPWORTH** 1860 - 1860

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17. Ann SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 1 Nov 1835 in Ashby by Partney.⁷

1841: age 5 at home

1851: age 15 b Ashby, house servant at East Kirkby

1861: age 25 b Ashby, ladies maid living with her mother at Little Steeping. Also present a 3 yr old grandson, John (no surname) who could be Ann's child, no registration found.

18. Maria SKIPWORTH (*Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 16 May 1838 in Ashby by Partney.⁷

1841: age 3 at home

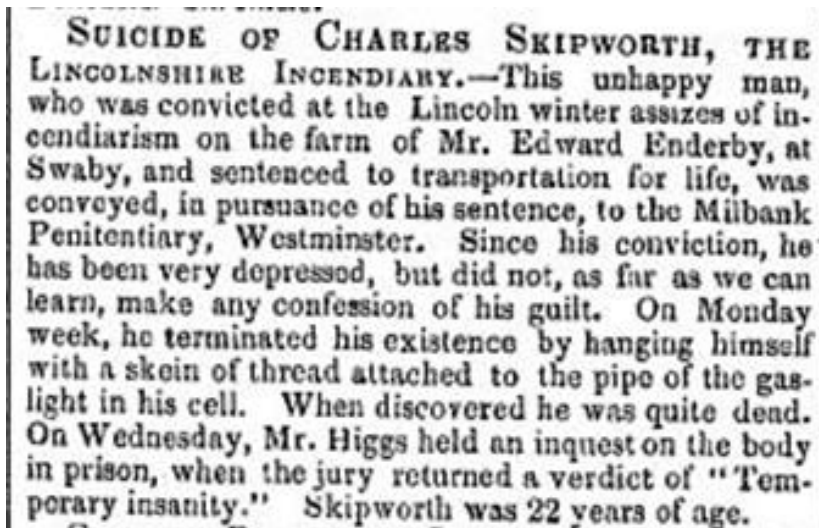
1851: age 12, at home with parents at Ashby

Maria married **Abraham JACKLIN** in 1856 in Louth RD.⁶ He was born on 25 Oct 1829 at Keddington, (son of Thomas and Rebecca), they had sons Thomas 1857, William 1862, George 1867. Thomas and William emigrated to Australia in 1872.¹¹

19. Charles SKIPWORTH (*William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 19 May 1822 in Swaby,⁹ and died aged 22 in January 1845, in Milbank Penitentiary, Westminster.⁶

1841: Not at home with family, not found in census, was he in prison?

1845: Death of Charles Skipworth, aged 22 by suicide, after being convicted of incendiarism at Swaby and sentenced to transportation.



SUICIDE OF CHARLES SKIPWORTH, THE LINCOLNSHIRE INCENDIARY.—This unhappy man, who was convicted at the Lincoln winter assizes of incendiarism on the farm of Mr. Edward Enderby, at Swaby, and sentenced to transportation for life, was conveyed, in pursuance of his sentence, to the Milbank Penitentiary, Westminster. Since his conviction, he has been very depressed, but did not, as far as we can learn, make any confession of his guilt. On Monday week, he terminated his existence by hanging himself with a skein of thread attached to the pipe of the gas-light in his cell. When discovered he was quite dead. On Wednesday, Mr. Higgs held an inquest on the body in prison, when the jury returned a verdict of "Temporary insanity." Skipworth was 22 years of age.

From Hull Packet 24 Jan 1845

20. Richard Marshall SKIPWORTH (*William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised [Marshall Skipwith] on 25 Nov 1824 in Swaby,¹⁰ died at the age of 35 of diphtheria and typhus,¹⁴ and was buried on 26 Jan 1859 in Thoresway, Lincolnshire.¹

1824: His maternal gt grandparents were Richard Townend and Mary Marshall. It was not usual among these Skipworths to use an ancestral name, possibly the Townends had money which allowed Jane to declare herself "independent" in the 1841 census. Could they also have paid for William's defence in court?

1841: age 15 at home with Jane at Swaby [Marshall Skipworth]

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- 1851: age 19 ag lab for Edward Darcy at Thoresway, born Authorpe [Richard Skipworth] both age and birthplace incorrect in this entry as often happened when employers completed schedules for their labourers
- 1852: marriage at Thoresway [Richard Marshall Skipworth] also recorded at Usselby
- 1852: birth and death of son Henry at Thoresway
- 1854: birth and death of son Henry at Thoresway,
Richard made his mark instead of signing the birth registration
- 1859: Richard Skipworth in death registration, Richard Marshall Skipworth in burial at Thoresway.

Richard married **Ann CORDALL** on 15 Oct 1852 in Thoresway.^{6, 14} Ann was baptised on 12 Jun 1835 at Thoresway, and died there of consumption at the age of 19 on 8 Dec 1854,^{1, 14} headstone at Thoresway (refer page 12). [Family suggest alternate name Ann CORDEN]

They had the following children:

38	i.	William Skipworth CORDEN	1851-1910	<i>Refer to page 16</i>
39	ii.	Henry SKIPWORTH	1852 - 1852	<i>Refer to page 16</i>
40	iii.	Henry SKIPWORTH	1854 - 1854	<i>Refer to page 16</i>
41	iv.	? Ann SKIPWORTH	? 1854 -	<i>Refer to page 16</i>

Ann had her first child at age 16 and was well advanced with her second pregnancy when she married Richard in 1852. We can only speculate on whether there had been opposition to this marriage. Two further sons, both named Henry were born, neither of whom survived, and two years later Ann died at age 19. After a further five years Richard died at age 35, leaving only their first son surviving. The daughter Ann listed above is probably an error in the register.



IN
MEMORY OF
ANN WIFE OF
RICHARD MARSHALL
SKIPWORTH

WHO DIED ON
DEC 8 1854
AGED 19 YEARS

With heavy pains I was opprest
Which wore me quite away
Which made me crave eternal rest
Which never will decay

*image courtesy Ann Press
who planted the snowdrops*

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21. George SKIPWORTH (*William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 29 Aug 1827 in Swaby,¹⁰ died in 1879⁶, and was buried on 21 May 1879 in Louth.¹

1841: age 13, at Swaby living with Jane (mother)
1851: age 28 born Swaby, ag lab at Swaby, working for his uncle Richard Townsend (farmer 60 acres)
1861: age 30 born Swaby, living at Louth with Emily and William
1861: Geo. S of Louth fined 5/- and costs for drunkenness at Legbourrn.
1871: age 42 born Louth, ag lab Louth, wife Emily & 5 children
1879: age 50 in burial record and death registration, of Louth, Monks Dyke

George married **Emily** (or Emma) **WILKINSON**, in 1854 in Louth RD.⁶ The census indicate that Emily was born about 1838 in Saxby, Lincolnshire, and an Emily WILKINSON's birth was registered at Louth in 1839. She died aged 48,⁶ and was buried on 23 Jan 1886 in Louth.¹

1871: age 33 born Saxby (Lincoln RD)
1881: age 44 born Louth, ag lab's widow, living at 22 Gatherums, Louth with 4 children
1886: age 40 in burial record (of Louth Kidgate) – age does not agree with registration

Their children were:

42	i.	William Marshall SKIPWORTH 1859 - 1928	<i>Refer to page 17</i>
43	ii.	Emily Jane SKIPWORTH 1861 - after 1885	<i>Refer to page 17</i>
44	iii.	George Henry SKIPWORTH 1864 - after 1880	<i>Refer to page 17</i>
45	iv.	Joseph SKIPWORTH 1867 - 1950	<i>Refer to page 17</i>
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48	vii.	Harriet SKIPWORTH 1873 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 18</i>
49	viii.	Herbert Sydney SKIPWORTH 1876 - 1877	<i>Refer to page 18</i>

22. Frances Jane (Jane) SKIPWORTH (*William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 26 Dec 1829 in Swaby.¹⁰

1841: Frances age 11 in 1841 - appears to have taken the name Jane,
another Frances was b.1835
1851: Jane Skipworth age 18, born Swaby, servant at Legbourne

Jane had a daughter with an unknown father

50 i. **Frances SKIPWORTH** 1856 *Refer to page 18*

23. Henry SKIPWORTH (*William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 9 Sep 1832 in Swaby,⁹ and buried there aged 20 on 17 Feb 1853 [Skipwith].¹

1841: age 8 at home Swaby
1851: age 18, born Swaby, ag lab living at home Swaby

24. Frances Ann (Fanny) SKIPWORTH (*William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised [Frances] on 3 May 1835 in Swaby.⁹

1841: age 6 at home Swaby [Fanny Skipwith]
1851: age 16, at home [Fanny Skipworth]
1858: Frances Ann in baptism of daughter

Fanny had a daughter with an unknown father:

51 i. **Jane SKIPWORTH** 1858 - 1858 *Refer to page 18*

25. John William SKIPWORTH (*William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was baptised on 3 Dec 1837 in Swaby¹⁰ and was buried there aged 6 on 28 Nov 1843 in Swaby.^{1,10}

John age 3 is listed in 1841 census, at home with his mother and siblings.

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26. Hannah or Harriet SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 13 Mar 1825 in Ashby by Partney.⁷ She may be the child listed as Harriet Skipworth 1825-1831 buried at Ashby.¹ Another Hannah was born in 1835.

27. David SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 11 Jan 1827 in Ashby by Partney,⁷ and buried there aged 6 months on 17 Jun 1827.¹

28. Charles SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 15 Jun 1828 in Ashby by Partney,⁷ and was buried age 3 on 11 Apr 1831 in Ashby by Partney.¹

29. Jane SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 31 Oct 1830 in Ashby by Partney.⁷ Died after 1840. Emigrated to South Australia with her parents.

30. Hannah SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 9 Aug 1835 in Ashby by Partney.⁷ and died in 1874 in Victoria, Australia. Emigrated to South Australia with her parents in 1840.

Hannah Skipworth age 20 married **John George EMERY** age 37 on 25 Jan 1851 at the Holy Trinity Church, Adelaide.

Probably Hannah **HOVER**, age 42, died 1874 born Linc [c 1832] father SKIPWORTH Henr, Reg No 2338 extracted from Digger - Federation Index Victoria 1889-1901 [Hannah Emery married James Parry Hover in 1859 in Victoria]

31. James SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was christened on 22 Jan 1843 in Adelaide (mother Elizabeth) and died on 21 Jul 1917.

Probably James SKIPWORTH aged 23 who married **Jane DAVIS** aged 18 in 1866 in South Australia. Verification needed from marriage or death cert.

32. Harriet SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born abt 1844 and died aged 12 months, daughter of Henry, on 30 Dec 1845 in Bowden, South Australia.

33. Rebecca SKIPWORTH (*Henry of Ashby⁹, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in 1847 and died on 31 Jan 1848, daughter of Henry, aged 6 months in Hindmarsh, South Australia.

Fourth Generation (Great-Grandchildren)

34. Olive SKIPWORTH (*Hannah¹³, Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 11 Dec 1844 in Ashby by Partney, no father named.^{7, 6} She was buried there on 16 Dec 1844, infant death.^{1, 6}

35. William SKIPWORTH (*Hannah¹³, Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 11 Jun 1848 in Ashby by Partney, no father named.⁷

36. Robert SKIPWORTH (*Fanny¹⁶, Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 8 Nov 1857 in Lincoln St Martin.¹⁰

1861: age 3, with Fanny his mother in Lincoln
1871: age 13, boarding in a family in Lincoln
with Fanny, his presumed unmarried mother
No further records, possibly emigrated.

37. William SKIPWORTH (*Fanny¹⁶, Thomas of Ashby⁶, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 15 Jan 1860 in Lincoln St Swithin, and buried there on 5 Aug 1860.¹⁰

38. William Skipworth CORDEN (*Richard Marshall²⁰, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised William CORDALL on 28 Oct 1851 in Thoresway,¹⁰ before his mother's marriage. His birth was registered as William CORDEN.⁶ His father is assumed from his adoption of the middle name Skipworth. His parents married in 1852, and but for the fact that both were to die before he was 8 he might have grown up using the Skipworth surname. After his parents' death he lived with his uncle William Edward CORDEN, a policeman, later police inspector at Wakefield. William died on 2 Aug 1910 in New Delight, Marsden, Yorkshire.^{14, 6}

William married **Eliza EASTWOOD** on 17 Oct 1872 in Methodist New Connexion Chapel, High St, Huddersfield, ^{14, 6} they had 5 daughters and 4 sons (CORDENS).

39. Henry SKIPWORTH (*Richard Marshall²⁰, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born on 17 Oct 1852 in Thoresway ^{6, 10} and was buried there the following day.^{1, 6}

40. Henry SKIPWORTH (*Richard Marshall²⁰, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born on 14 Jun 1854 at Thoresway,⁶ and died the same month.⁶ No baptism or burial of this Henry has been found in the Thoresway register, and the possibility exists that the record for Ann Skipworth (no 41) should belong to this Henry, though if that is the case the baptism date must also be incorrect as his death was registered in the June quarter of 1854.

41. Ann SKIPWORTH (*Richard Marshall²⁰, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was baptised on 11 Jul 1854 in Thoresway.¹⁰ No registration of this birth has been found, or any other record of this child. The possibility of an error in the register has to be considered - see no 40.

42. William Marshall SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1859 in Louth,⁶ and died in 1928 in Louth RD, aged 69.^{12, 6}

Named for his father's brother Richard Marshall Skipworth who died in January 1859.
1871: age 12, born Louth, scholar
1881: age 22, born Louth, bricklayer Theddlethorpe, married
1891: age 32, born Louth, bricklayer Theddlethorpe, occupying 4 rooms,
son Ernest living with uncle
1901: age 42, born Louth, builder Theddlethorpe, widower with 5 children, and
housekeeper Eliza Taylor

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1902: age 43, marriage to his housekeeper Eliza Taylor
1928: probate granted to his widow Eliza £2213
"William and Sarah, Parents" on headstone at Louth, no dates, no other details.
Said in the family to have been engaged in the building of Gumby Hall.

William married **Sarah Ann LINGARD** in 1879 in Louth RD.⁶ Sarah was born about 1861 in Theddlethorpe All Saints, Lincolnshire, died in 1898,⁶ and was buried age 37 on 10 Dec 1898 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.¹

1881: age 20 1891: age 29 1898: may have died in childbirth

William and Sarah's children were:

52	i.	Ernest William SKIPWORTH	1880 - 1956	<i>Refer to page 19</i>
53	ii.	Herbert Sydney SKIPWORTH	1881 - 1964	<i>Refer to page 19</i>
54	iii.	Raymond SKIPWORTH	1882 - after 1928	<i>Refer to page 20</i>
55	iv.	Albert Bartie SKIPWORTH	1884 - after 1909	<i>Refer to page 20</i>
56	v.	George Henry SKIPWORTH	1886 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 20</i>
57	vi.	John Harold SKIPWORTH	1889 - 1890	<i>Refer to page 20</i>
58	vii.	Ethel Florence SKIPWORTH	1894 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 20</i>
59	viii.	Elsie Mabel SKIPWORTH	1897 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 20</i>
60	ix.	Sarah Ann SKIPWORTH	1898 - 1899	<i>Refer to page 20</i>

William married **Eliza TAYLOR** in 1902 in Louth RD.⁶ Eliza was born about 1866 in Alford, Lincolnshire.

Housekeeper in 1901, wife in 1902, presumed to be the mother of Fred born 1900.

They had a child:

61 xi. **Fred SKIPWORTH** 1900 - *Refer to page 21*

43. Emily Jane SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in 1861 in Louth.⁶

1871: age 9, scholar
1881: age 19, servant at Louth (away from home)

Emily married **Thomas BROXHOLME** in 1885 in Louth RD.⁶

44. George Henry SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1864 in Louth.⁶

1871: age 7, scholar
1881: age 17, at home Louth, tinner's apprentice

45. Joseph SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1867 in Louth,⁶ died on 13 Apr 1950 age 83, and was buried in Louth.¹³

1871: age 4, scholar
1881: age 14, at home Louth, confectioner's errand boy
1891: age 24, confectioner at Louth, occupying 2 rooms with his wife, baby and toddler. Living next door to Joseph in 1891, also occupying 2 rooms, was Harriet Clears age 46 charwoman, with Lizzie Skipworth age 6 and Florence A Skipworth age 4, her granddaughters.
1901: age 34, confectioner at Louth, of 95 Eastgate, with wife, 5 children and Harriet Clears aged 56, his mother-in-law.
1905: shop Ripon St Grimsby, also confectioner and pastrycook Eastgate, Louth [Kellys Dir]
Between 1881 & 1905 the former confectioner's errand boy had become the proprietor of 2 shops.

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Joseph married **Elizabeth CLEARS** in 1886 in Louth RD.⁶ Elizabeth was born about 1866 in Great Steeping, Lincolnshire, died on 29 Jul 1946 age 81, and was buried in Louth.¹³

1891: age 25, born Wes Deeping
1901: age 35, born Great Steeping, confectioner's assistant
1946: age 81 at death, wife of Joseph

Their children were:

62	i.	Lizzie SKIPWORTH	1885 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 21</i>
63	ii.	Florence Annie SKIPWORTH	1887 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 21</i>
64	iii.	Ernest Frederick SKIPWORTH	1889 - 1966	<i>Refer to page 21</i>
65	iv.	Mabel Louise SKIPWORTH	1891 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 21</i>
66	v.	Gertrude May SKIPWORTH	1893 - after 1900	<i>Refer to page 21</i>

46. Charles SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was christened on 20 Jul 1869 in Louth Holy Trinity,¹⁰ and was buried aged 4 months in Nov 1869 in Louth Municipal cemetery.¹⁰

47. Frederic SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1870 in Louth.⁶

1871: age 6 months 1881: age 10, scholar
1891: age 20, footman for widow with 3 domestic staff - at Louth
1901: age 30, born Louth, married, butler for surgeon, St James, Westminster
1911: age 38, butler with 7 other servants in Romsey, Hampshire

Frederic married **Louisa Elizabeth HAYNES** in 1900 in Banbury RD.⁶

1901: visitor with her mother Elizabeth HAYNES, Adderbury, Oxfordshire
1911: age 39, married with children Rita 10 and Eva 7 at Fulham (husband at work)

Their children were:

67	i.	Zarita Mainwood SKIPWORTH	1901 - 1971	<i>Refer to page 21</i>
68	ii.	Eva Lilian SKIPWORTH	1903 - 1950	<i>Refer to page 21</i>

48. Harriet SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1873 in Louth.⁶

1881: age 8, scholar at home with parents in Louth
1891: age 18, servant at Wrawby
1901: age 28, married with 4 children at Mablethorpe

Harriet married **Harry WRIGHT** in 1893 in Louth RD.⁶ Harry was born about 1875 in Fotherby, Lincolnshire. In 1901 he was age 26, groom at Mablethorpe

49. Herbert Sydney SKIPWORTH (*George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in 1876 in Louth,⁶ died in 1877,⁶ and was buried on 18 Apr 1877 in Louth St Michael age 7 months.¹

1877: of Louth Monks Dyke (father died at same address)

50. Frances SKIPWORTH (*Frances Jane (Jane)²², William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in Sept quarter 1856 in Louth,⁶ and admitted to Louth Union Workhouse, nothing further known.

51. Jane SKIPWORTH (*Frances Ann (Fanny)²⁴, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in June quarter 1858 in Louth RD,⁶ and was buried aged 3 months at Louth.¹⁰

Fifth & Sixth Generations (2x and 3x Great-Grandchildren)

52. Ernest William SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall⁴², George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1880 in Theddlethorpe All Saints,⁶ and died on 8 May 1956 at Mablethorpe, Lincolnshire.

1881: age 1

1891: age 11, living at Theddlethorpe with his single uncle John Lingard and grandfather - his family home overcrowded?

1901: age 21, gardener, single at Brixworth, Northamptonshire

1911: age 31, living with Gertrude (34) but no children in Louth RD.

1956: of 6 Church Lane Mablethorpe retired general dealer, rep Gertrude Skipworth, [London Gazette]

Ernest married **Gertrude MERRIMAN** in 1909 in Louth RD.⁶ She died 3 Apr 1958, in Mablethorpe. They appear to have had no children.

53. Herbert Sydney SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall⁴², George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born on 4 Mar 1881 in Theddlethorpe All Saints⁶ and died in 1964¹² age 83.

1881: named for his father's youngest brother who had died 4 years previously

1891: age 9 born Theddlethorpe

1901: age 19 born Theddlethorpe, Groom at Croft [Henry]

1964: died at Alford Cottage Hospital, last address 7 Finsbury St, Alford, "native of Theddlethorpe".

Edith Skipworth of 60 Dogdyke Rd, Coningsby (Herbert's daughter-in-law) wrote in 1989 that her husband's mother was Elizabeth Phillipson who died when he was about 10 and the family got split up. She confirmed William of Theddlethorpe was a builder and suggested Skipworths had a hand in building Gumby Hall. She had William's sons as Albert, Earnest, Raymond, Fred, Herbert. She said they knew nothing of William's second marriage, but that Fred was from the 2nd marriage. She gave approx death dates for William and Herbert, also list of Herbert's children, grandchildren etc. She mentioned numbers of Skipworths around Friskney, Stickney and Boston, but was not aware that the Friskney Skipworths were of a different family. The reference to Theddlethorpe in Herbert's burial ties him to the Swaby family.

Herbert married **Elizabeth PHILLIPSON** in 1910 in Louth RD.⁶ Elizabeth was born on 4 Sep 1886 and died on 27 May 1930 in Spilsby RD at age 44.^{12, 6}

Their children were:

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| 69 | i. | Harold Sydney SKIPWORTH was born on 4 Mar 1911 in Louth RD. ⁶ Harold married Elsie BAKER . ¹² He died in Nov 2004 in Lincolnshire, aged 93. ⁹ |
| 70 | ii. | Cyril SKIPWORTH was born on 4 Jul 1912 in Louth RD. ⁶ He was married and lived at Thistle Cottage, Eaudykes, Friskney. ¹² He died in Spilsby RD in 1995. ⁹ |
| 71 | iii. | John Henry SKIPWORTH was born on 17 Nov 1913 in Louth RD ⁶ and died on 7 Mar 1980 at age 66. ¹² |
| 72 | iv. | Leslie SKIPWORTH was born on 12 Jun 1915 ⁶ in Maltby le Marsh, Lincolnshire, died on 9 Feb 1964 at age 48, and was buried in Friskney, Lincolnshire. Leslie married Kathleen LENTON . He was a farm worker. ¹² |
| 73 | v. | Herbert William SKIPWORTH was born on 25 Mar 1919 in Louth RD, ⁶ and died in May 2003 in Lincolnshire, aged 84. Herbert married Edith Lilian DRURY in 1945 in Friskney. ^{12, 95} |
| 74 | vi. | Frederick Norman SKIPWORTH was born on 28 Nov 1920 in Louth RD. ⁶ Frederick married Marjorie Maud BURGE . of 5 Turner St Portfields Hereford in 1989 ¹² |
| 75 | vii. | Donald SKIPWORTH was born on 4 Mar 1922 in Louth RD, ⁶ and died in 1997 in Stockport RD. ⁹⁵ Donald married Barbara BROOKS in 1948. ¹² |
| 76 | viii. | George Stanley SKIPWORTH was born on 11 Mar 1923 in Louth RD. ⁶ He married and had a daughter. ¹² |

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- 77 ix. **Harry SKIPWORTH** was born on 17 Apr 1927 in Spilsby RD,⁶ of 5 Turner St Portfields Hereford in 1989¹²
- 78 x. **Doris Marjery SKIPWORTH** was born on 6 Jun 1924 in Spilsby RD.⁶ Adopted. Doris married **SLATTERY**.¹²
- 79 xi. **Maurice SKIPWORTH** was born on 21 Mar 1926 in Spilsby RD.⁶ Adopted, formerly Pearson. Maurice married **Mary**.¹²
- 80 xii. **Jessie May SKIPWORTH** was born in Aug 1928 in Spildby RD.⁶ Of Anderby in 1964. Jessie married **Edmond WILKINSON**.¹²

Herbert next married **Mrs Ruth SHOOTER** about 1953 in Spilsby, Lincolnshire.

54. Raymond SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall*⁴², *George*²¹, *William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was born in 1882 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.

1901: age 8 at home Theddlethorpe 1911: age 18 at home, working on farm

Raymond married **Florrie SIMONS** in 1924 in Louth RD.⁶

Their children were:

- 81 i. **Peggy SKIPWORTH** was born in 1924 in Louth.⁶
- 82 ii. **Barbara SKIPWORTH** was born in 1926 in Louth.⁶
- 83 iii. **Victor Raymond SKIPWORTH** was born in 1928 in Louth.⁶

55. Albert Bartie SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall*⁴², *George*²¹, *William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was born on 24 Apr 1884 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.⁶

1891: age 7 at home Theddlethorpe [Albert B]

1901: age 18 born Theddlethorpe, at Llantillio Crossenny, Monmouthshire, servant [Albert Skepworth]

1909: file National Archives ADM 188/990 Registers of Seamen's Services Piece 1001-1500

56. George Henry SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall*⁴², *George*²¹, *William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was born in 1886 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.⁶

1891: age 4

1901: age 14, at home

57. John Harold SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall*⁴², *George*²¹, *William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was born in 1889 in Louth RD,⁶ died in 1890 in Louth RD,⁶ and was buried age 17 months on 12 Oct 1890 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.⁴¹

58. Ethel Florence SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall*⁴², *George*²¹, *William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was born on 1 Sep 1894 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.⁶ She married **George A. SYLVESTER**, March quarter 1916 in Spilsby RD. They emigrated to Cadillac, Saskatchewan in 1926. Ethel died on 4 Nov 1997 and is buried at Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada.

59. Elsie Mabel SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall*⁴², *George*²¹, *William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was born about 1897 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.⁶

60. Sarah Ann SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall*⁴², *George*²¹, *William of Swaby*⁷, *William of Little Steeping*¹) was born in 1898 in Louth RD,⁶ died in 1899 in Louth RD,⁶ and was buried age 17 weeks, of Welton le Wold, on 31 Mar 1899 in South Elkington, Lincolnshire.¹ She was named for her mother who died about the time of her birth. It is assumed she had been fostered to a wet nurse at Welton le Wold.

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61. Fred SKIPWORTH (*William Marshall⁴², George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in 1901 in Theddlethorpe All Saints.⁶

62. Lizzie SKIPWORTH (*Joseph⁴⁵, George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1885 in Louth.

1891: age 6, living with grandmother next door to parents

1901: age 16, confectioner's assistant, living with parents

63. Florence Annie SKIPWORTH (*Joseph⁴⁵, George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1887 in Louth.⁶

1891: age 4, living with grandmother next door to parents

1901: age 14, living with parents

64. Ernest Frederick SKIPWORTH (*Joseph⁴⁵, George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1889 in Louth,⁶ died on 20 Feb 1966, and was buried in Louth.¹³

1891: age 18 months [indexed Everest]

1901: age 11 [Ernest F]

1966: age 76 at death, husband of Vi, buried with Emily Clara and Geoffrey Ernest.

1966: retired baker and confectioner of 5 Alexandra Rd, Louth - notice to creditors

Ernest married **Emily Clara KERMAN** in 1923 in Louth RD.⁶ Emily was born about 1887, died on 1 Mar 1953 about age 66, and was buried age 66 in Louth.¹³

Their children were:

84 i. **Gwendolyn E SKIPWORTH (Gwennie)** was born 1924⁶ and died in 1932, aged 8. She was buried in Louth aged 8 and buried near her parents and brother, with a separate headstone.

85 ii. **Geoffrey Ernest SKIPWORTH** was born in 1925 in Louth,⁶ died on 9 Dec 1954, and was buried age 29 in Louth with his parents.¹³

In 1959 Ernest married **Vilea WOOD** in Louth RD.⁶ [Ernest Frederick "husband of Vi" on his stone at Louth]

65. Mabel Louise SKIPWORTH (*Joseph⁴⁵, George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in 1891 in Louth.⁶

1891: age 2 months 1901: age 10

66. Gertrude May SKIPWORTH (*Joseph⁴⁵, George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born about 1893 in Louth.⁶

1901: age 7

67. Zarita Mainwood SKIPWORTH (*Frederic⁴⁷, George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in 1901 in R.D.⁶ She died in 1971 in R.D.⁶

1911: (Rita) age 10 at home with mother and sister

Zarita married **Edward HUMPHRIS** in 1925.⁶

68. Eva Lilian SKIPWORTH (*Frederic⁴⁷, George²¹, William of Swaby⁷, William of Little Steeping¹*) was born in 1903 in R.D.⁶ She died in 1950 in R.D.⁶

1911: age 7 at home with mother and sister

Eva married **Albert WHIFFEN** in 1927.⁶

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