

# **Skipworths**

## **from**

### **Rothwell, Lincolnshire, U.K.**

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## ***Introduction***

This chapter commences with Thomas Skipworth of Riby (1749-1824) and follows the descendants of his eldest son, William of Rothwell. Separate chapters *"Skipworths from Cabourne"* and *"Skipworths from Laceby"* follow his two younger sons.

Thomas's surname was spelled Skipwith in his baptism record, but Skipworth was the preferred spelling throughout the rest of his life. His ancestry has been discussed in the first chapter of this series *"In the beginning"* where the spelling Skipwith has been preferred.

He lived at a period during which this family experienced a considerable rise in status, from Thomas's grandfather who described himself in 1720 as a yeoman with goods valued at £250, to Thomas's nephew, a gentleman whose probated estate amounted to £190,000 in 1859. To some extent this rise of the senior line was achieved at the expense of younger children's inheritances, but never-the-less by the end of his life Thomas (a younger son) was also able to describe himself as a gentleman with an estate of £14,000. However there is no evidence that this favouritism of the eldest son continued through Thomas's grandsons and great grandsons.

After the industrial revolution these folk moved away from farming, and by the end of the 19th century most were employed in the commercial sector. Their wealth was nowhere near that of their great grandfather, and they would not have thought of themselves as gentlemen.

An interesting contrast emerges between the families of the Irish grandson with 10 children but only one grandchild who died in infancy, and the New Zealand grandson with 23 grandchildren. The Essex families were also quite restricted numerically, with the result that the Skipworth surname appears to be extinct in this branch in England, while its prospects for survival in NZ look more hopeful.

In the mid-19th century, having acquired land in Essex this group of Skipworths completely abandoned north east Lincolnshire, which had been their home for more than a century. Many of them relocated to a quite restricted area of Essex, one grandson was sent to Dublin by the railway and raised his family there, and another chose emigration to New Zealand. By the 20th century these widely dispersed groups seem to have had little or no knowledge of each other. I hope this document may serve to remedy the deficiency.

This has been a very difficult section of the family to elucidate. The existence of three William Green Skipworths has been a complication, not helped by the fact that one of them lived much of his life abroad. Inaccurate recording of names and birthplaces is always a factor, but the difficulty is exacerbated when other uncertainties are overlaid, such as the errors in Elliott's and Kirkby's pedigrees. Until recently Irish records were very sparse, but thankfully that is no longer the case for this family, and it was gratifying to find my conclusions confirmed exactly by Ellen [Marshall] Skipworth's 1911 census record of children born and still living.

In spite of these difficulties I now feel confident that the relationships in this document are correct. This is because I have been able to extract all records of the surname from a number of databases, and slot almost all the individuals into families. The occasional unplaced 'stray' is acknowledged in an appropriate section of the text, but in most of these cases I believe their surnames have been incorrectly recorded - they were not Skipworths. I welcome any additions or corrections from readers.

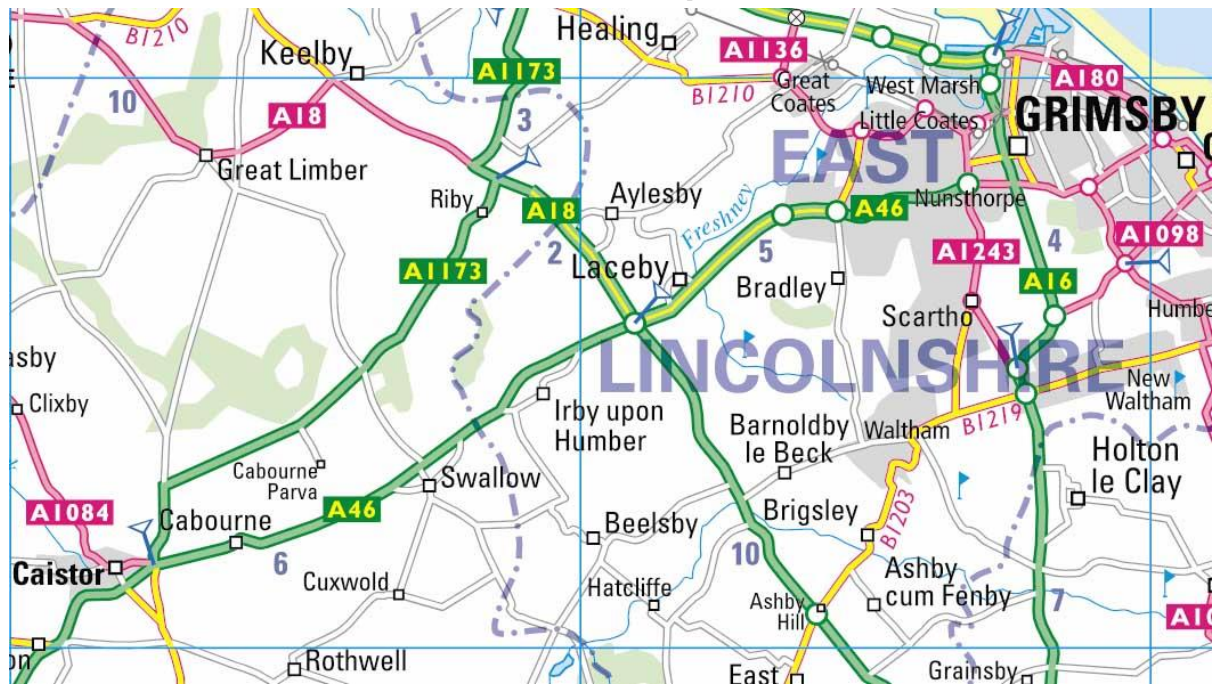
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Some abbreviations:

RD      Registration District

MI      Monumental Inscription

### ***Rothwell map***



**Scale: 1 map square = 10 km**

Places mentioned in the text:

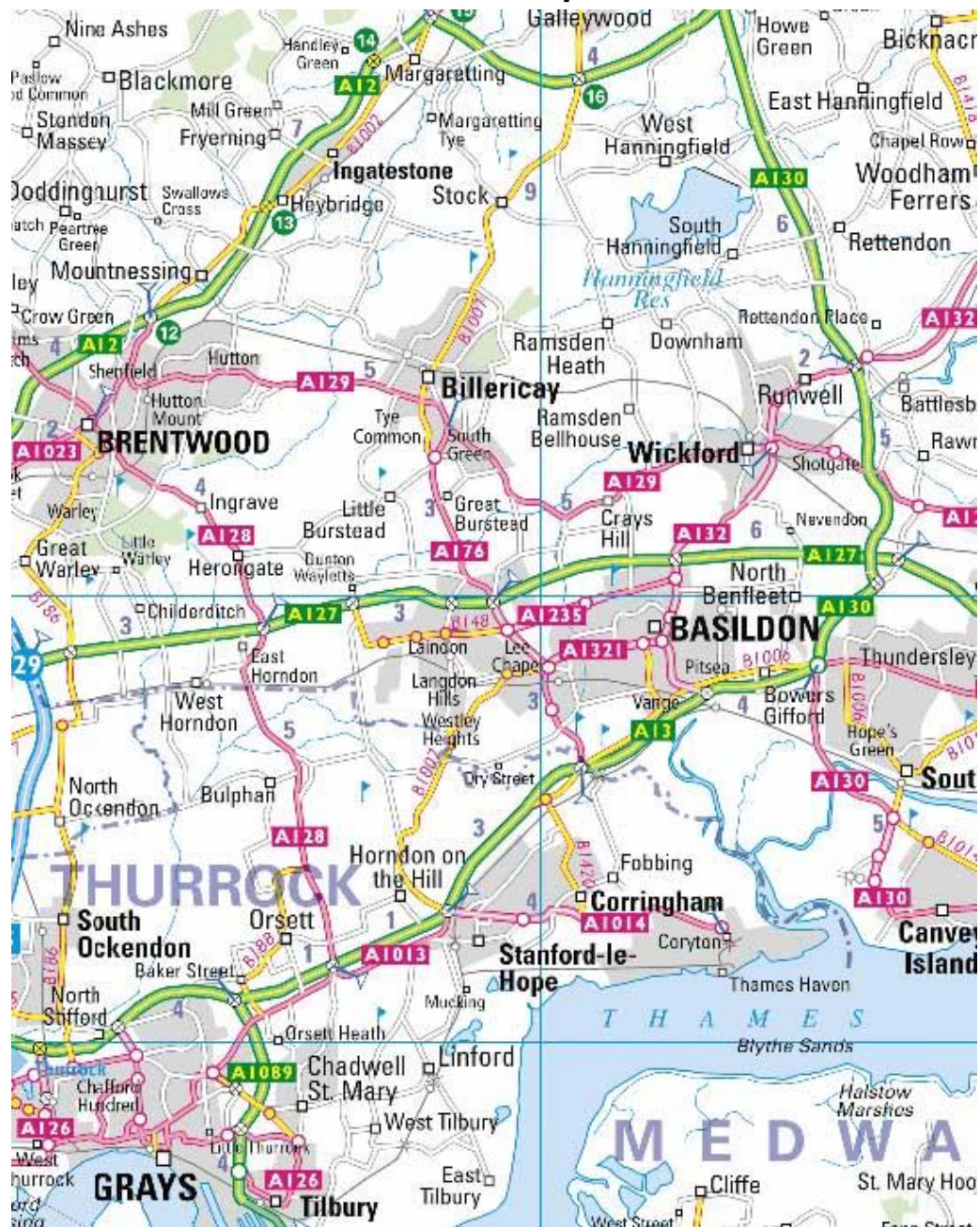
Aylesby, Laceby and Riby are west of Grimsby, near the centre of the map

Beelsby is almost due south of Aylesby

Rothwell is on the southern edge of the map

Cabourne is a little north of Rothwell

## Essex map



**Scale: 1 map square = 10 km**

Places mentioned in text:

Little Thurrock is between Grays and Tilbury in the south west corner of map

Orsett is due north of Tilbury, just north of the A13

Blackmore is in the north-west corner of this map, Spriggs farm is marked on larger scale maps

Mountnessing is south of Blackmore, just north of the A12

Basildon was one of Britain's original 'New Towns' - Pitsea one of its suburbs - the farmland all gone

Lee Chapel is on the western fringe of modern Basildon

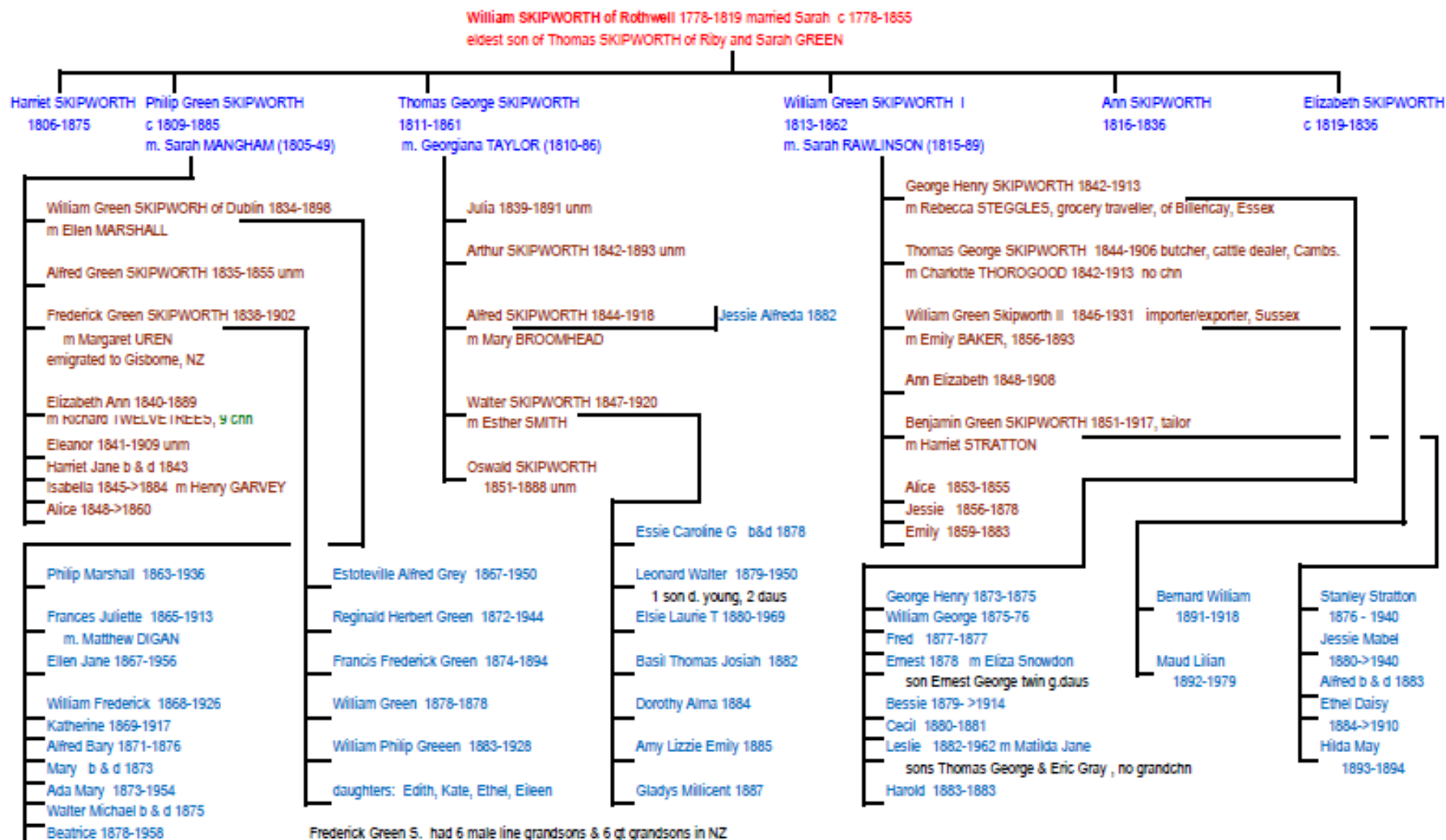
Billericay has also become quite a large town near the centre of this map

West Hanningfield is in the northeast corner of the map

Hackney is an outer London suburb about 50km away



# Skipworths from Rothwell



## ***First Generation***

**1. Thomas SKIPWORTH of Riby**, second son of **Philip SKIPWORTH of Aylesby** and **Elizabeth WARDAL**, was baptised on 27 Mar 1749 in Alvingham, Lincolnshire,<sup>1</sup> and died in Oct 1824 in Wingal, Sth Kelsey, Lincolnshire, at age 75. He was buried on 16 Oct 1824 in Aylesby, Lincolnshire.<sup>2</sup>



St Lawrence, Aylesby

*Image courtesy Brian Chester © Great Grimsby Family History group*

The gravestone (image on following page) of Thomas & Ann Skipworth lies to the left of the entrance porch, and is just visible in this photo as a raised slab in the lawn.

Thomas was born at Alvingham, the younger of the two surviving sons of Philip Skipworth and his wife Elizabeth Wardal. He also had two married sisters and four siblings who died young.

Though born at Alvingham, he would have moved to Aylesby with his family when his father shifted in the later 1750s. When ready to take up his own farm he moved to Riby, conveniently less than 5km from Aylesby. He contributed to the life of his parish, serving as churchwarden from 1774-1780, and again in 1796, 1798, and 1801-1804.

Neither Thomas or his older brother Philip married in their fathers' lifetime (he had died in 1769), though possibly agreements had been made that such marriages would occur when the boys were in a position to support a family appropriately. They eventually married aged 31 and 28 respectively, their wives being 24 and 20.

On Feb 20 1777 the *General Evening Post*, London reported:

MARRIAGE - On Monday 17th inst. Mr Skipworth of Riby, near Caister in Lincolnshire, to Miss Green\* of Little Thorrock, near Grays, in Essex. [**\*Ann GREEN**]



These Essex Greens probably had Lincolnshire connections, and the Skipworth-Green alliance was further strengthened by the marriage of Philip Green Skipworth and Sarah Mangham - no 6 below. The Green name was to be perpetuated repeatedly among Ann's descendants. Through Ann, the family appears to have acquired interests in Essex which are mentioned in her eldest son William's will (Appendix 1). More on the Greens in Appendix 2.

Thomas and Ann had 3 sons baptised at Riby:

- |   |      |                                      |           |                                       |
|---|------|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| 2 | i.   | <b>William SKIPWORTH of Rothwell</b> | 1778-1819 | <i>refer to page 9</i>                |
| 3 | ii.  | <b>Thomas SKIPWORTH of Cabourne</b>  | 1780-1850 | <i>refer Skipworths from Cabourne</i> |
| 4 | iii. | <b>Philip SKIPWORTH of Laceby</b>    | 1783-1841 | <i>refer Skipworths from Laceby</i>   |

On 14 May 1783, Ann died aged 26 and was buried at Aylesby, leaving 3 very young children. Thomas did not remarry through 41 years of widowhood.



Gravestone, Aylesby Churchyard.

*Image courtesy Brian Chester © Great Grimsby Family History group*

Ann Skipworth died 14th May 1783, age 26  
also Thomas died 23rd Oct 1824, age 74

[also 6 named infants, children of Philip and Lucy Skipworth of Laceby]

The inscription was legible in 1976 but appears to have deteriorated since.

An advertisement which appeared in 1810 gives us a glimpse of how farming was organised at that time. %Three Farms to let ð . lease of 12 years ð .. Lordship of Beelsby - one of the three [is] occupied by Mr Skipworth, 220 acres of meadow and grazing and 500 acres arable, the whole enclosed with thriving quicks.+ Beelsby is within the Riby, Laceby, Rothwell, Cabourne area where Thomas and his three sons lived and it is likely that the %Mr Skipworth+referred to was one of them. Thomasqfatherç will shows him in possession of several farms, some freehold, some leasehold, and Thomas would have operated similarly.

As each son was ready to strike out on his own, financial assistance would be provided to get him started, and this was taken into account in the final division of Thomasqestate:

LCC will 1824/239 Thomas Skipworth of Wingal, Sth Kelsey, gentleman.

To son Thomas £4000 pounds

To son Philip of Sth Kelsey, gentleman, £2000 pounds on trust for grandson Henry Green Skipworth son of said Philip, but if HGS should die before the age of 21 the £2000 pounds to go to Thomas

All the residue incl chattels, plate, etc to Philip, Philip to be executor

All lands, etc at Yarborough to Philip

Signed 28 Aug 1824, Proved 30 Oct 1824 under £4000 Testator died 13 Oct 1824

[this figure appears to be £4000, but £14,000 definitely on the cover]

Thomasqeldest son, William, had died in 1819 leaving a young family, but this will makes no mention of them. However, Williamç 1819 will makes it clear that they had already been well provided for (Appendix 1).

The second son Thomas had married in 1809 and was farming at Cabourne. He may have received part of his inheritance at the time of his marriage.

The third son Philip who married in 1819 appears to be the favoured son according to the will, but this may be only because the others had had earlier provision made for them. Henry Green Skipworth was his mother's only child, and the £2000 pounds set aside for him probably came from her marriage settlement. Other grandsons who were alive in 1824 are not mentioned in this will.

It is not known when Thomas moved from Riby to South Kelsey.

White's directory c 1872 mentions %he former Wengell Priory in the parish of Sth Kelsey.+



## ***Second Generation (Children)***

**2. William SKIPWORTH of Rothwell** (*Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 4 Oct 1778 in Riby, Lincolnshire,<sup>1</sup> died on 17 Dec 1819 and was buried in Rothwell, at age 41 (M.I.).<sup>4</sup>

His mother died when he was four and he was probably cared for by nurses and governesses.

William died aged 41 before his father, and his line is not mentioned in Thomas' will. However William's will shows that he was already well provided for. His Essex estate suggests that his mother's marriage settlement may have made provision him.

We have no information about where widow Sarah and the children lived after William's death. She did not remarry and was living in son Philip's household in 1841 and 1851.

The baptism of William's first child Harriet at Hackney suggests that perhaps he had been sent to the London area to widen his experience before settling down in Lincolnshire. William's two younger sons, William Green Skipworth and Thomas George Skipworth, returned to the Hackney/Billerica area later in life.

DIED On Thursday the 16th inst. at Rothwell, near Caistor, much esteemed and lamented, William SKIPWORTH, Esq aged 41. He was a kind husband, an indulgent father, a good master, charitable to the poor, and of particularly domestic habits. He departed this life with the humble resignation which distinguishes a sincere Christian, believing in the atonement of a blessed Redeemer. He has left a widow and six small children, to lament the loss of such a protector as we have described.<sup>20</sup>

William and Sarah are remembered on a pillar monument, inscribed on 4 sides, in St Mary Magdalene church cemetery, Rothwell. Image and details from [www.gravestonephotos.com](http://www.gravestonephotos.com) In addition to the names below (which are visible on photos of the 4 sides) this website adds Philip Skipworth 1809-1885 aged 76, son of William Skipworth+. This is likely to be correct even though the photos do not reveal this inscription.



Sacred to the memory of William Skipworth who died Dec 17<sup>th</sup> 1819 aged 42 years,

also Sarah his wife who died Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 1855

Alfred Green, son of Philip and Sarah Skipworth who died May 10<sup>th</sup> 1855 aged 21 years

also Sarah the wife of Philip Green Skipworth who died March 8<sup>th</sup> 1849 aged 41 years

also Elizabeth the daughter of William and Sarah Skipworth who died July 27<sup>th</sup> 1836 aged 18 years

also Anne the daughter of William and Sarah Skipworth who died August 17<sup>th</sup> 1836 aged 19 years

also Harriet Jane daughter of Philip and Sarah Skipworth who died in infancy

also Sarah Mangham the mother of Sarah Skipworth, aged 70 years

The relationship of this branch to the rest of the family remained obscure to this compiler until about 1995 when a pedigree, compiled by Kirkby about 1915, was discovered among the Dixon papers at Lincolnshire Archives.<sup>4</sup> Kirkby appears to be correct in his placement of William and his 6 children.

Another chart compiled by Elliott<sup>3</sup> has no marriage or children for William b 1778 at Riby, though his parents and siblings are described correctly. Elliott had apparently not seen the Rothwell registers, though he knew that there was a William at Rothwell, whose father he identified with the George who voted at Sth Kelsey in 1824. By 1824 Philip of Sth Kelsey's son George (b1787) had established his family at Sth Kelsey, and he would seem likely to be that voter.

William married **Sarah** [surname unknown] about 1805. She was born about 1778 at Caistor, died on 16 Feb 1855 in Caistor RD,<sup>6</sup> and was buried in Rothwell, aged 76 (M.I.).<sup>2</sup> It has been suggested that her maiden name was Green (as was her mother's) but I have not found confirmation of that.

1851: age 65 born Caistor, living with son Philip at Grimsby (age conflicts with age at death)

Their children were:

- |    |      |   |                         |
|----|------|---|-------------------------|
| 5  | i.   | <b>Harriet SKIPWORTH</b> 1806-1875                    | <i>refer to page 11</i> |
| 6  | ii.  | <b>Philip Green SKIPWORTH</b> 1809-1885               | <i>refer to page 11</i> |
| 7  | iii. | <b>Thomas George SKIPWORTH of Blackmore</b> 1811-1861 | <i>refer to page 12</i> |
| 8  | iv.  | <b>William Green SKIPWORTH of Basildon</b> 1813-1862  | <i>refer to page 13</i> |
| 9  | v.   | <b>Anne SKIPWORTH</b> 1816-1836                       | <i>refer to page 14</i> |
| 10 | vi.  | <b>Elizabeth SKIPWORTH</b> 1819-1836                  | <i>refer to page 14</i> |

## ***Third Generation (Grandchildren)***

**5. Harriet SKIPWORTH** (*William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 2 Nov 1806 in St John at Hackney,<sup>1</sup> and died on 14 Jan 1875 at 14 Clarence Rd, Holloway aged 68.<sup>6</sup>

1841: housekeeper with her brother Philip at Rothwell, unmarried, of independent means  
 1851: housekeeper for Philip at Grimsby, his wife had died leaving 4 young children  
 1861: age 52 aunt, independent, living with Twelvetrees family at Leeds, Yorkshire  
 1871: age 64, aunt, visitor in house of Richard H Twelvetrees (see no 14 below)

**6. Philip Green SKIPWORTH** (*William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1809, and baptised on 10 Mar 1811 in Rothwell.<sup>4</sup> He died on 22 Oct 1885 in Grimsby, Lincolnshire<sup>6</sup>, and was buried on 27 Oct 1885 in Rothwell.<sup>2</sup>

Educated Tonbridge - source schools list

1827: 18 June Bastardy recognizance,<sup>21</sup> mother: **Ann CUTHBERT** single-woman, putative father: Philip Green SKIPWORTH of Rothwell, farmer, child will become chargeable to the parish of Hibaldstow. See also Bastardy Certificate 11 July 1827. Child not born.  
 1834: Churchwarden at Rothwell  
 1837: rode his horse Mantrap in Brocklesby Hunt Steeplechase  
 1840: had a horse starting in Brocklesby Steeplechase  
 1841: age 30, voted as a resident of Rothwell.  
 1841: farmer of Rothwell, 5 labourers and one boy living with them, also wife, 4 children, his mother and sister (both "Independent"), and 3 servants.  
 c1842: left Rothwell House for Grimsby.<sup>4</sup> His cousin Henry Green SKIPWORTH of the Laceby family later farmed at Rothwell.  
 1851: age 42, coal and corn merchant at 63 East St Mary's Gate, Grimsby, with sister Harriet, housekeeper, mother Sarah, annuitant, 4 daughters, 2 servants. The 3 sons not at home, one at least was at school in Kent. [his wife had died in 1849]  
 1861: age 53, widower, of 81 Cartergate, Grimsby, corn merchant, with 3 daughters, governess, and houseservant.  
 1871: age 63, of 137 Sea Side, Sea View, Hornsea, Yorkshire, retired merchant, lodger  
 1881: age 72, of Thrunscoe "Bradford" Cleethorpes, Gentleman with Eleanor 37 and Isabel 32, no live-in servants  
 1885: age 81 in burial record and newspaper, of 2 Bradford Tce, Cleethorpes, [age appears incorrect]

Philip married **Sarah MANGHAM** on 25 Jun 1833 in Caistor, Lincolnshire,<sup>10</sup> daughter of **John MANGHAM** and **Sarah GREEN** (refer to Appendix 2). She may have been baptised on 18 Dec 1805 in West Halton, Lincolnshire.<sup>1</sup> Sarah died on 2 Mar 1849 in Grimsby,<sup>6</sup> and was buried on 8 Mar 1849 in Rothwell, aged 41 [M.I.].<sup>2</sup> (noted conflict in ages at different dates.)

1841: age 30 at Rothwell

Their children were:

11	i.	<b>William Green SKIPWORTH of Dublin</b>	1834-1898	<i>refer to page 15</i>
12	ii.	<b>Alfred Green SKIPWORTH</b>	1835-1855	<i>refer to page 16</i>
13	iii.	<b>Frederick Green SKIPWORTH</b>	1838-1902	<i>refer to page 17</i>
14	iv.	<b>Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH</b>	1840-1889	<i>refer to page 18</i>
15	v.	<b>Eleanor SKIPWORTH</b>	1841-1909	<i>refer to page 18</i>
16	vi.	<b>Harriet Jane SKIPWORTH</b>	1843-1843	<i>refer to page 18</i>
17	vii.	<b>Isabella SKIPWORTH</b>	1845- after 1884	<i>refer to page 19</i>
18	viii.	<b>Alice SKIPWORTH</b>	1848 - after 1910.	<i>refer to page 19</i>



7. **Thomas George SKIPWORTH of Blackmore** (*William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 21 Apr 1811 in Rothwell,<sup>4</sup> died in 1861 in Ongar RD, Essex, UK<sup>6</sup> at age 50, and was buried on 5 Nov 1861 in Blackmore, Essex.<sup>2</sup>

- 1838: of Quarley House, Hampshire [Quarley is near the Wiltshire border.]
- 1841: at Quarley Downs with wife Georgiana and daughter Julia
- 1851: age 39, farmer Lee Chapel, 500 acres employing 3 labourers, 1 houseservant
- 1861: age 49 born Rothwell, farmer of Spriggs farm 105 acres, Blackmore, Essex employing 3 men (cowman aged 58 living with family)
- 1861: age 50 in burial record

Thomas married **Georgiana TAYLOR** on 14 Jun 1838 in West Cholderton, Wiltshire, UK,<sup>6</sup> daughter of **Abraham TAYLOR**. Georgiana was born about 1810 in Clixby, Lincolnshire, and died 27 Oct 1885 in Billericay RD, Essex,<sup>6</sup> aged about 76.

- 1861: age 51 born Clixby Lincs
- 1871: age 61, of Blackmore, widow, farmer 105 acres, employing 3 men, 1 boy
- 1875:

**SPRIGGS FARM,  
BLACKMORE.**

**Mr. G. B. Hilliard**

Is instructed by Mrs. **Skipworth** to SELL BY  
AUCTION, on the premises, on Thursday, Oct.  
14, 1875,  
**A**LL the LIVE and DEAD FARMING STOCK,  
comprising—  
4 Cart Horses,  
2 Two-year-old Colts,  
1 Suckerel, by Mr. Carter's Drayman,  
7 Shorthorn and Polled Cows,  
4 Fattening Calves,  
road wagon, two loading carts, tumbrel, ploughs,  
harrows, rolls, Coleman's cultivator, Smith and  
Ashby's horse rake, dressing machines, barn imple-  
ments, sacks, Goss and Peene's graters, chaff cutter,  
oilcake breaker, hurdles and harness,  
**CAPITAL NEW PATENT CHURN,**  
**DAIRY UTENSILS,**  
A few lots of **HOUSEHOLD FURFITURE**, and  
other effects.  
Sale to begin at Twelve for One o'clock.  
Catalogues may be had at the Leather Bottle Inn,  
Blackmore; and of the Auctioneer, Chelmsford.



- 1881: age 71, retired farmer at Rhodes Villa, Brentwood, Essex
- 1886: widow of Brentwood, probate to son Alfred, college keeper of Brentwood, £1376.

Thomas and Georgiana had the following children:

19	i.	<b>Julia SKIPWORTH</b>	1839-1891	<i>refer to page 19</i>
20	ii.	<b>Arthur SKIPWORTH</b>	1842-1893	<i>refer to page 19</i>
21	iii.	<b>Alfred SKIPWORTH</b>	1844-1918	<i>refer to page 19</i>
22	iv.	<b>Walter SKIPWORTH</b>	1847-1920	<i>refer to page 20</i>
23	v.	<b>Oswald SKIPWORTH</b>	1851-1888	<i>refer to page 20</i>

**8. William Green SKIPWORTH of Basildon** (*William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 5 Sep 1813 in Rothwell,<sup>4</sup> died on 24 Jan 1862 in Basildon, Essex,<sup>6</sup> and was buried on 29 Jan 1862 in Basildon, aged 48.<sup>2</sup>

- 1841: farmer of Rothwell at his marriage
- 1841: age 25 farmer of Thoresway Grange, with wife Sarah
- 1848: gentleman of Gt Grimsby in daughter's baptism
- 1851: age 38 farmer 59 acres Taylor's property at Stallingborough near Grimsby, with wife, 3 sons and 1 female servant.
- 1855: farmer of Basildon - PO Directory
- 1861: age 45 born Rothwell, farmer, Basildon Hall, 163 acres employing 4 men, 2 boys
- 1862: probate granted to Sarah, widow, under £800.<sup>15</sup>



Site of Basildon Hall with Moat, Clickett Hill

image Bob Fisher [www.Eastscapes.co.uk](http://www.Eastscapes.co.uk)

Basildon Hall, and particularly the moat, is recorded as an ancient monument, having featured in the Domesday Book. The Hall was demolished in 1961, and the moat drained, though the remains can still be seen. It is known that the hall was rebuilt at one stage.

Noted that Essex Record Office holds a sale catalogue dated 25 August 1887, reference SALE/A512 mentioning %Basildon Hall, Basildon with 165 acres.+ This appears to be William's farm, though probably a later sale as Sarah had left the area in 1881.

Why did William move from Lincolnshire to Essex? His mother Sarah had died in 1855, and under his father's will (Appendix 1) he would have inherited about £350 at this time. Basildon is not far from the Orsett estate in which Sarah had been left a life interest. It seems likely that this capital had been reinvested at Basildon Hall farm (not to be confused with Basildon House, Berkshire which featured as *Netherton* in a screen adaption of *Pride and Prejudice*).

Kirkby<sup>4</sup> speculated on the possibility of this William being the Irish Railway Manager, but also reserved the possibility that it was his nephew who went to Dublin. With the additional records now available this uncertainty has been resolved.

William married **Sarah RAWLINSON** on 29 May 1841 in Holy Trinity, Hull,<sup>14</sup> daughter of **William RAWLINSON**. Sarah was born about 1815 in Rothwell, and was buried on 27 Feb 1889 in Basildon, aged about 73.<sup>2, 6</sup>

- 1851: age 37
- 1861: age 44 born Rothwell
- 1871: age 54, widow, head of household at Basildon Hall, farmer 174 acres, employing 4 men, 1 boy, 2 women, children Thomas, Annie and Emily, 1 female servant.

- 1881: age 65, annuitant, of 27 Rushmore Road, Hackney, living with daughters Annie and Emily (son Thomas lived next door)  
1889: age 73 in burial record, buried at Basildon with her husband, 37 years a widow

Their children were:

- |    |       |  |                         |
|----|-------|--|-------------------------|
| 24 | i.    | <b>George Henry SKIPWORTH</b> 1842-1913                  | <i>refer to page 20</i> |
| 25 | ii.   | <b>Thomas George SKIPWORTH</b> (Wilsmere Down) 1844-1905 | <i>refer to page 21</i> |
| 26 | iii.  | <b>William Green SKIPWORTH II</b> 1846-1931              | <i>refer to page 21</i> |
| 27 | iv.   | <b>Anne Elizabeth SKIPWORTH</b> 1848-1908                | <i>refer to page 22</i> |
| 28 | v.    | <b>Benjamin Green SKIPWORTH</b> 1851-1917                | <i>refer to page 22</i> |
| 29 | vi.   | <b>Alice SKIPWORTH</b> 1853-1855                         | <i>refer to page 23</i> |
| 30 | vii.  | <b>Jessie SKIPWORTH</b> 1856-1878                        | <i>refer to page 23</i> |
| 31 | viii. | <b>Emily SKIPWORTH</b> 1859-1883                         | <i>refer to page 23</i> |

**9. Anne SKIPWORTH** (*William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 2 Jun 1816 in Rothwell,<sup>4</sup> died on 17 Aug 1836 in Rothwell, and was buried there aged 19.<sup>2</sup>

**10. Elizabeth SKIPWORTH** (*William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1819 in Rothwell, and was buried on 27 Jul 1836 in Rothwell.<sup>2</sup>

1836: *Hull Packet* 5 Aug 1836: death last week at Rothwell, aged 18, Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the late William S, farmer.



### ***Fourth Generation (Great-Grandchildren)***

**11. William Green SKIPWORTH of Dublin** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 28 Mar 1834 in Rothwell,<sup>4</sup> and died on 2 Jul 1898 in Dublin, Ireland<sup>9</sup> aged 64.

- 1834: named %William+at christening                      1841: age 7 at home Rothwell [William]
- 1851: not found in census, away from home - at school? in training? abroad?
- 1855: [age 21] stationmaster at Carlton on Trent (Kelly's Directory)
- 1861: age 27 born Rothwell, railway manager unmarried, lodger, Bloomsbury, London
- 1862: marriage to Ellen in Ireland.
- 1865: W Skipworth Manager Midland & Great Western Railway [of Ireland]  
Resigned 1869
- 1868: of Circular Rd, Arran Quay Ward Dublin, voted Guinness, Plunkett in the election
- 1877: WG Skipworth esq, traffic manager London & NorthWest Railway 49 North Wall  
also office 4 Eden Quay, Res: 5 Oakland Villas, Rathgar. (Dublin Directory)
- 1882: serious accident to his eye from exploding seltzer bottle - made full recovery
- 1889: (January) Report of Social Reunion of Company staff refers to %be regrettable  
absence of the esteemed Trafic Manager .. consequent upon his recent severe  
illness..+ Stage decorations included a placard %long life and happiness to our  
manager and family+with motto and crest of Mr Skipworth's family and the company  
flag. (WGS back at work in February.)
- 1891: Elected to Dublin Docks Board, later Chair
- 1890s On Art Union Committee;      Director of Dundalk Railway Coy

ANNOUNCEMENT: The death took place in Dublin a few days ago of Mr William Green Skipowrth, Irish Manager at the North Wall for the London and North Western Railway Company. Mr Skipworth went to Ireland more than quarter of a century ago as traffic manager for the Midland Great Western Railway Company. He took a principal part in everything connected with the commercial interests of Dublin and was a member of the Port & Docks Board & of the Chamber of Commerce. Much of the increased efficiency of the service between London & Dublin was due to his energy and ability.<sup>22</sup>

OBITUARY: [image poor quality, some words illegible]

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr William Green Skipworth, the Irish Manager for London and North Western Railway Company, who in that capacity served so ably and successfully and gained the regard of all classes of Dublin citizens Mr Skipworth's high character, ..... vigour, and astonishing business ?energy were by all appreciated, and did much to make ..... in the highest degree all the steps taken by his great company to expedite the Irish Trade and the comfort of Irish passengers. Mr Skipworth began his career in Ireland as manager of the Midland Great Western Railway and was by its Directors and shareholders and all using that system much valued for his close attention, his liberal views and his grasp of all the responsibilities of his position. From that post, having for years occupied it honourably and to the advantage of the line, he was ?..... to that to which in his later years his ripened experience was brought with the same benefit to his directors. His duties were severe and required the most constant application but his prudence, ?fine temper and practical knowledge were such that even the most difficut tasks were performed with ?satisfaction and ease. The greatest confidence was placed in his judgement, and his word was sufficient to determine and settle many operations of intricacy and in their nature troublesome. In every principle and detail of his p..... he was perfect master. He had the warm respect of those under his control and was regarded with the most friendly feeling by every railway personage in this country. In England Mr Skipworth was not less known and equally esteemed. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Port and Docks Board, and other bodies and his counsel was everywhere treated with consideration. His death followed an attack about a fortnight before from which he never rallied. He had just attained the age of sixtyfive but was in the fullest possession of his powers until his illness began. His passing from us is most severely regretted by a large number of freinds and will be by the public at large lamented, so many be..... ..ated with his anxiety in all

circumstances to do his very best to further every Irish enterprise. The funeral will take place tomorrow from Highfield Road at 9 o'clock for ? Mount Jerome.

FUNERAL: 370 named mourners were led by sons Philip and William Frederick and nephews Clyde Twelvetreets and Thomas Shaw, 31 wreaths. [Women did not attend]

Elliott's chart has "William Greene Skipworth, J.P. of No 21 Highfield Road, Rathgar, Dublin, Traffic Manager for Ireland of the L & NW Ry Co. of nos 49/50 North Wall and 4 Eden Quay, Dublin, some time of Eniskillen." <sup>3</sup> Elliott was wrong in showing Philip and Fanny as siblings of this WGS, they were siblings of his son William Frederick S. He correctly named his father as Philip S of Rothwell.

An advertisement gives an idea of the scope of his work: %Goods and Live Stock are conveyed at Through Rates between Dublin, Dundalk, Greenore, Newry, Belfast, Londonderry, Cork, Waterford, and the interior of Ireland, and stations in England via Holyhead and Greenore, via Liverpool, via Fleetwood, and via Stranraer. The Company's powerful and fast steam ships run between Dublin and Holyhead twice in each direction in connection with a regular service of Passenger and Goods trains to and from Manchester, Leeds, Wolverhampton, Birmingham, London, etc, etc. At Holyhead, Dublin and Greenore goods are transferred alongside the Company's covered warehouses by steam machinery direct from and to the vessels and the Railway trucks. At Holyhead there are facilities for the discharge of foreign homeward-bound vessels, detained through stress of weather and other causes. Steam shears capable of raising 80 tons have been erected for the removal of engines, and all kinds of heavy articles. District Manager W G Skipworth, London & North Western Railway, North Wall, Dublin.+

Refer also Appendix 3 page 43: *A Memory of William Green Skipworth of Dublin.*

William married **Ellen Wayland Pollock MARSHALL** on 3 Jun 1862 at St Peter, Dublin, Ireland, daughter of **Michael MARSHALL**.<sup>9</sup> Ellen was born about 1843 in Dublin and died in 1923 in Rathdown RD, Dublin.<sup>9</sup>

- 1899: Mrs Skipworth, 21 Highfield Rd, Rathgar (Dublin Directory)
- 1908: Mrs Skipworth, 20 Trafalgar Tce, Monkstown (Dublin Directory)
- 1911: age 66 of Trafalgar Tce Dublin, with 4 daughters, 1 servant,  
she had borne 10 children of whom 7 were living
- 1923: death registration - Aileen W P Skipworth age 80

Their children were:

- |    |       |   |                         |
|----|-------|---|-------------------------|
| 32 | i.    | <b>Philip Marshall SKIPWORTH</b> 1863-1936          | <i>refer to page 24</i> |
| 33 | ii.   | <b>Frances Juliette SKIPWORTH "Fanny"</b> 1865-1913 | <i>refer to page 25</i> |
| 34 | iii.  | <b>Ellen Jane SKIPWORTH</b> 1867-1956               | <i>refer to page 25</i> |
| 35 | iv.   | <b>William Frederick SKIPWORTH</b> 1868-1926        | <i>refer to page 25</i> |
| 36 | v.    | <b>Katherine SKIPWORTH</b> 1869-1917                | <i>refer to page 25</i> |
| 37 | vi.   | <b>Alfred Barry SKIPWORTH</b> 1871-1876             | <i>refer to page 26</i> |
| 38 | vii.  | <b>Mary SKIPWORTH</b> 1873-1873                     | <i>refer to page 26</i> |
| 39 | viii. | <b>Ada Mary SKIPWORTH</b> 1873-1954                 | <i>refer to page 26</i> |
| 40 | ix.   | <b>Walter Michael SKIPWORTH</b> 1875-1875           | <i>refer to page 26</i> |
| 41 | x.    | <b>Beatrice SKIPWORTH</b> 1878-1958                 | <i>refer to page 26</i> |

Not identified - William Skipworth age 24 in 1871 census, born Dublin, organ builder, lodger at Chorlton on Medlock. No other records match this person - assume error in the name.

Not identified - William Skipworth born 1869 Newry RD County Down, Ireland

**12. Alfred Green SKIPWORTH** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1835, died on 19 May 1855,<sup>6</sup> and was buried in Rothwell, age 21 of Somerstown, Middlesex.<sup>2</sup>

1841: age 5 at home 1851: age 18, at school in Chatham, Kent, 30 pupils

**13. Frederick Green SKIPWORTH** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 4 Feb 1838 in Rothwell,<sup>4</sup> died on 25 Jan 1902 in Gisborne, NZ<sup>13</sup>, and was buried aged 65 in Makaraka Cemetery.<sup>8</sup>

1841: age 3 at home    1851: age 11 at school in Chatham, Kent  
1858: emigrated to New Zealand on ship *Robert Small*<sup>7</sup>  
1861: held miners right, Tuapeka Goldfield, Otago - source ATL qms-2045  
1881: el roll: clerk with residential freehold qual Te Rahui, East Coast electorate



Licensed interpreter and native agent, Gisborne. Born at Rothwell in Lincolnshire in 1837, educated at Chatham in Kent, and brought up to mercantile life in the office of his father who was a timber merchant. Afterwards Mr Skipworth had 3 years experience in the railway clearing house, Euston Square, London. After a visit to Norway he came to Wellington in 1858 by the ship *Robert Small*. In 1862 he joined the colonial defence force at Napier and served during the native troubles. He settled in Poverty Bay in 1868, and having studied the Maori language, he was appointed as Government interpreter under the late Major Biggs, R.M., who was one of the victims of the Poverty Bay massacre, on the 10th November of the same year.

At the time of the landing of Te Kooti at Whareongaonga from the Chatham Islands Mr Skipworth was sent with a party of 100 natives from Murewai to follow Te Kooti's band. He camped on the very spot that had been vacated by the outlaws on the previous night. Presents were sent by the enemy to the natives under Mr Skipworth's control, and having received word that his men were not to be trusted, he, accompanied by a trustworthy Maori named Paora Parau, left the men who were under his charge, and joined the party who were sent out to intercept Te Kooti at Paparatu where an engagement was fought. Mr Skipworth was subsequently employed by the late Captain Read, the founder of Gisborne, and afterwards became one of the executors of that gentleman's estate. He afterwards founded the business which he has since conducted and has done a great deal in connection with the purchase of native lands in the district. Mr Skipworth was married in 1866, to a daughter of the late Mr T Uren of Makaraka and has 3 sons and 4 daughters. Residence 1902, Whataupoko, Poverty Bay.<sup>23</sup>

Frederick married **Margaret Ann UREN** on 9 Apr 1867 in Tauranganui,<sup>5</sup> daughter of **Thomas UREN or U'REN**. Margaret died on 23 May 1935 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> and was buried in Makaraka cemetery aged 89 with her husband. 1868: Mrs Skipworth & child took refuge in Napier from Maori disturbances

1927: Gisborne Pioneers Lunch - Skipworth Mrs Margaret c/o W. Arthur Ormond Rd  
1935: The death has occurred of Mrs Margaret Skipworth, who was born at Gisborne 89 years ago, and lived through the troublous times of the Hau Hau rebellion and the subsequent massacre. She escaped Te Kooti's men by being carried down the Taruheru river by a loyal Maori, after seeing the homestead in flames, and was later taken to Napier for safety. Mrs Skipworth was the last of the Uren family, who were among the earliest settlers of Poverty Bay. She is survived by two sons and four daughters, living at Auckland, Hamilton, and Gisborne.



Their children were:

42	i.	<b>Estoteville Alfred Grey SKIPWORTH</b>	1867-1950	<i>refer to page 26</i>
43	ii.	<b>Edith Eleanor SKIPWORTH</b>	1869-1962	<i>refer to page 27</i>
44	iii.	<b>Reginald Herbert Green SKIPWORTH</b>	1872-1944	<i>refer to page 28</i>
45	iv.	<b>Francis Frederick Green SKIPWORTH</b>	1874-1894	<i>refer to page 29</i>
46	v.	<b>Kate Isabella SKIPWORTH</b>	1876-1954	<i>refer to page 29</i>
47	vi.	<b>William Green SKIPWORTH</b>	1878-1878	<i>refer to page 29</i>
48	vii.	<b>Ethel Margaret Alice SKIPWORTH</b>	1880-1960	<i>refer to page 29</i>
49	viii.	<b>William Philip Green SKIPWORTH</b>	1883-1928	<i>refer to page 29</i>
50	ix.	<b>Eileen Muriel Mangham SKIPWORTH</b>	1888-1971	<i>refer to page 30</i>

The name Estoteville, given to Frederick's eldest son, suggests a relationship to the Skipwith family whose lineage is traced to a Baron de Estoteville who accompanied William the Conqueror in 1066. I have discussed this claim in the first chapter in this series *at the beginning*, and will only note here that there is no proof of such a relationship.

**14. Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 19 Jan 1840 in Rothwell,<sup>4, 6</sup> and died in Mar 1889 in Edmonton, Middlesex<sup>6</sup> aged 49.

1841: age 1 at home                      1851: age 10 at home with governess  
1872, 1881 not at home with husband and children, possibly in a hospital

Elizabeth married **Richard Harper TWELVETREES**, esquire of Grimsby, Yorkshire, on 28 Nov 1858 at Wath Upon Dearne, Yorkshire, UK.<sup>6</sup> Richard was born about 1834 in Biggleswade, Bedford, UK and died on 31 Jan 1900 in Hornsea, Middlesex<sup>6</sup> aged 67.

1861: railway manager at Leeds, wife and 2 children  
1871: age 37, Hornsea, Middlesex, [Sweltras] railway manager, with 4 children, also Harriet Skipworth 64, aunt, and Eleanor Skipworth 28, sister-in-law.  
1881: Friern Barnet, Middlesex, railway goods manager with 7 children and 1 servant  
1891: age 57, widower, chief goods manager for GNR, widower, 3 children at home, Hornsea, sister-in-law Eleanor Skipworth, a visitor and 2 servants  
1899: retired from GNR after 50 years service [*Lloyds Weekly Newspaper*]

Their children were:

51	i.	<b>Ada Catherine TWELVETREES</b>	1859-1947	<i>refer to page 30</i>
52	ii.	<b>Percy Skipworth TWELVETREES</b>	1861-1897	<i>refer to page 30</i>
53	iii.	<b>Frank TWELVETREES</b>	1863-1863	<i>refer to page 30</i>
54	iv.	<b>Elsie Mary TWELVETREES</b>	1863-	<i>refer to page 30</i>
55	v.	<b>Herbert Edward TWELVETREES</b>	1865-1932	<i>refer to page 30</i>
56	vi.	<b>Kate Isabel TWELVETREES</b>	1868-	<i>refer to page 30</i>
57	vii.	<b>William Skipworth TWELVETREES</b>	1870-1870	<i>refer to page 31</i>
58	viii.	<b>Jessie Beatrice TWELVETREES</b>	1872-1928	<i>refer to page 31</i>
59	ix.	<b>Arthur Clyde TWELVETREES</b>	1874-1956	<i>refer to page 31</i>

**15. Eleanor SKIPWORTH** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 19 Sep 1841 in Rothwell,<sup>4, 6</sup> and died in 1909 in Kensington RD, UK<sup>6</sup> age 64 in death record.

1851: age 9 at home with her father  
1861: age 19 born Rothwell, housekeeper for father  
1871: age 28, visitor in home of sister Elizabeth Twelvetrees (who was absent)  
1881: age 37, unmarried, living with her father at Cleethorpes  
1891: age 48, unmarried, living with brother-in-law Richard Harper Twelvetrees  
1901: age 55, born Rothwell, living on her own means at Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

**16. Harriet Jane SKIPWORTH** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 23 Apr 1843,<sup>6</sup> died about 26 Apr 1843 in Rothwell,<sup>6</sup> and was buried in there with her grandparents.<sup>4</sup>

**17. Isabella SKIPWORTH** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 1 Sep 1845 in Grimsby,<sup>6</sup> and was baptised on 8 May 1848 in Grimsby St Andrews.

1851: age 6 with governess at home  
1861: age 16 born Grimsby, scholar at home with governess  
1871: age 24, housekeeper at Oxford and Stainton le Vaile, Linc  
1881: age 32, unmarried and living with her father

Isabella married **Henry Stanhope GARVEY**, merchant & clerk, on 8 May 1884 in New Southgate parish, Middlesex.<sup>19</sup> Henry was born in 1847 in Southwell RD, UK.<sup>6</sup> They had no children.<sup>4</sup>

**18. Alice SKIPWORTH** (*Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 3 Apr 1848 in Grimsby,<sup>6</sup> was baptised on 8 May 1848 in Grimsby St James, and died after 1910. (Alice was omitted by Kirkby.<sup>4</sup>)

1851: age 3 at home - daughter of Philip.  
1861: age 13 born Grimsby, scholar at home with governess  
1898: sent a wreath to brother William's funeral, her son Thomas was a chief mourner  
1911: age 60, born Grimsby, of Northumberland Ave, Kingstown, Dublin

Alice married **Thomas SHAW** on 2 Sep 1869 in Tollington Park St Mark, Islington, London. They had 2 children, 1 alive in 1911.

**19. Julia SKIPWORTH** (*Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1839 in Quarley Downs, Hampshire, and died on 25 Mar 1891 in South Weald, Essex aged 51.<sup>6</sup>

1851: age 11, at Upminster ladies school, 30 scholars [Shipworth]  
1861: age 21, at home Lee Chapel  
1871: age 31, unmarried, at home, farmer's daughter  
1881: age 42, unmarried, housekeeper for her mother  
1891: administration Julia S of South Weald, spinster £135 granted to brother Walter

**20. Arthur SKIPWORTH** (*Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about Mar 1842 in Quarley Downs, Hampshire,<sup>6</sup> and died in 1893 in Ongar RD, Essex, aged 51.<sup>6</sup>

1851: age 9, at home  
1861: age 19, at home, not employed, deaf from fever  
1871: age 29, unmarried, at home, not employed  
1881: age 40, unmarried, a gardener, living with his mother  
1891: age 49, living alone, on his own means, 49 Drakes Lane, Blackmore,

**21. Alfred SKIPWORTH** (*Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1844 in Quarley Downs, Hampshire,<sup>6</sup> and died in 1918 Sheffield RD, UK<sup>6</sup> aged about 74.

1851: age 7 at home  
1861: age 17 born Quarley Downs, at home  
1871: age 27, at home on farm [father had died]  
1881: age 37, tobacconist and confectioner, 28 High Street, Lewisham, Kent, with wife  
1882: tobacconist at 28 High Street, Lewisham - Kellys directory  
1886: college keeper of Brentwood, executor of his mother's estate  
Bef 1891: moved his family to Sheffield (his wife's home area) after his mother's death  
1891: age 47, timekeeper, living with wife Mary at 90 Buick Road, Attercliffe cum Darnall, Yorkshire, no chn (dau Jessie with her grandparents)  
1898: admon of Mary, wife of Alfred S of Sheffield, value £141  
1901: age 67, widowed, timekeeper at steel works, Sheffield, with his daughter Jessie.  
1918: Alfred S of Sheffield admon proved by Mrs Bradwell. Value £455

Alfred married **Mary BROOMHEAD** in 1880 in Thorne RD, Yorkshire.<sup>6</sup> Mary was born about 1870 in Sheffield, Yorkshire and died in 1897 in Sheffield,<sup>6</sup> aged 27.

They had a daughter:

60 i. **Jessie Alfreda Georgiana SKIPWORTH** 1882-1945 refer to page 31

**22. Walter SKIPWORTH** (*Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1847 in Lee Chapel,<sup>6</sup> and died age 73 in 1920 in Rochford RD.<sup>6</sup>

1851: age 3 at home  
 1861: age 13, at home Lee Chapel  
 1871: age 23, at home Blackmore, ironmonger unemployed, born Lee Chapel  
 1881: age 29, ironmonger's assistant, 8 Cambridge St, St Ebbes, Oxfordshire, wife, 2chn  
 1891: age 42, ironmonger's assistant, widower, with Elsie, Basil, Dorothy at home  
 1891: executor for his sister Julia, of 6 Florence Tce, Leytonstone, Essex, valuer's clerk  
 1901: age 53, widower, ironmonger's assistant at Cann Hall Essex, 5 children aged 17-22

Walter married **Esther SMITH** on 23 Aug 1876 in Bethnal Green St Barnabus, Middlesex.<sup>19</sup> Esther was born about 1855 in Middlesex and died about Mar 1890 in West Ham RD, UK aged about 35.

Their children were:

61 i. **Essie Caroline Georgiana SKIPWORTH** 1878-1878 refer to page 31  
 62 ii. **Leonard Walter SKIPWORTH** 1879-1950 refer to page 31  
 63 iii. **Essie Laurie Taylor SKIPWORTH** 1880-1969 refer to page 32  
 64 iv. **Basil Thomas Josiah SKIPWORTH** 1882->1900 refer to page 32  
 65 v. **Dorothy Alma SKIPWORTH** 1884->1913 refer to page 32  
 66 vi. **Amy Lizzie Emily SKIPWORTH** 1885->1910 refer to page 32  
 67 vii. **Gladys Millicent SKIPWORTH** 1887->1900 refer to page 32

**23. Oswald SKIPWORTH** (*Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about June 1851 in Lee Chapel,<sup>6</sup> and died in 1888 in Bethnal Green RD, Middlesex<sup>6</sup> aged 37.

1861: age 10 at home with parents  
 1871: age 20, living at Hampsted with a Master Linen Draper employing 5 men, 3 apprentices and 5 women  
 1881: age 29, draper's assistant, born Lee Chapell, living at Ball Street, Kensington with 14 other young male draper's assistants, and 15 young females. No domestic staff at the address. Oswald, the eldest male, is designated head of household.

**24. George Henry SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in Jun 1842 in Thoresway, Lincolnshire,<sup>6</sup> died in 1913<sup>6</sup> at age 72, and was buried on 28 Nov 1913 in Basildon, where his parents were buried.<sup>2</sup> (Thoresway is just south of Rothwell.)

1851: age 9 at home 1861: age 18, b Thoresway, at home  
 1871: age 28, lodger in Paddington, clerk  
 1881: age 38, clerk for a Provision Merchant, born Thoresway, living at 27 Rushmore Rd, Hackney, London with his mother and sisters  
 1891: age 48, born Thoresway, widower at Hackney, commercial traveller, with Ernest and Bessie at home, and his sister Annie boarding with them  
 1901: widower, living at Hackney, a traveller in provisions,  
 1911: age 68, living at Billericay, with unmarried daughter and 3 grandchildren

George married **Rebecca STEGGLES** in 1873 in Billericay RD.<sup>6</sup> Rebecca was born about 1846 in Cheltenham, UK and died about Mar 1883 in Hackney RD, Essex<sup>6</sup> aged about 37.

Their children were:

68 i. **George Henry SKIPWORTH** 1873-1875 refer to page 32  
 69 ii **William George SKIPWORTH** 1875-1876 refer to page 33

70	iii.	<b>Fred SKIPWORTH</b> 1877-1877	<i>refer to page 33</i>
71	iv.	<b>Ernest SKIPWORTH</b> 1878->1901	<i>refer to page 33</i>
72	v.	<b>Bessie SKIPWORTH</b> 1879->1914	<i>refer to page 33</i>
73	vi.	<b>Cecil SKIPWORTH</b> 1880-1881	<i>refer to page 33</i>
74	vii.	<b>Leslie SKIPWORTH</b> 1882-1962	<i>refer to page 33</i>
75	viii.	<b>Harold SKIPWORTH</b> 1883-1883	<i>refer to page 34</i>

**25. Thomas George SKIPWORTH of Wilsmere Down** (*William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was baptised on 6 Feb 1844 in Rothwell,<sup>6</sup> and died in 1905 in Wilsmere Down, Cambridgeshire, UK aged 61, and was buried at Meldreth, Cambridgeshire.

- 1851: age 7 at home      1861: age 17 born Rothwell, at home
- 1871: age 27, at home with his mother on farm Basildon Hall, Essex
- 1881: age 37, butcher and cattle dealer living at butcher's shop at West Hanningfield, Essex, with his wife and niece Ada Thorogood, and a female servant aged 15.
- 1891: age 46, farm manager Barrington, Cambridgeshire, nephew Leslie, visitor, 1 servant
- 1901: age 57, farm manager at Barrington Entire, Cambridgeshire, with wife and visitor.
- 1906: Probate of Thomas George Skipworth, Wilsmere Down, Cambridgeshire, £450



Wilsmere Down Farm, Barrington

Thomas married **Charlotte STOCK (nee THOROGOOD)** about Jun 1874 in Poplar RD, Middlesex.<sup>6</sup> Charlotte was born in 1842 in Mountnessing, Essex<sup>6</sup> and died in 1913 in Brighton<sup>6</sup> at age 71. No children.

- 1891: Charlotte Hepworth, aged 49, visiting brother-in-law, Benjamin Green Skipworth.
- 1913: Probate of Charlotte Skipworth of Brighton, widow, granted to Edward Thorogood and William Green Skipworth, merchant, £1602.

**26. William Green SKIPWORTH II** (*William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 9 Nov 1846 in Grimsby,<sup>6</sup> was baptised on 20 Jan 1847 in Grimsby St James, and died on 23 May 1931 of "Brookhurst" Broadbridge Heath, Horsham, Sussex, UK<sup>6</sup> at age 84.

- 1851: age 5 at home
- 1861: age 14 born Rothwell, at home Basildon
- 1871: not found      1881: not found, probably abroad
- 1891: age 44, born Lincolnshire, Japan merchant, living at Eltham, London with Emily.
- 1901: age 55, Dry Goods Export Director, widower, born Grimsby, at Brookhurst, Slinfold, West Sussex.
- 1911: age 65, at Horsham RD, Sussex [Skipworth]
- 1913: merchant, executor for sister-in-law Charlotte
- 1931: will proved PPR 12 Sep 1931, probate £25,174



William married **Emily BAKER** on 14 Aug 1890 in West Ham RD.<sup>6</sup> W G Skipworth of Hiogo (?) Japan to Emily, 2nd dau of late W BAKER of Pitsea Hall Essex at St Saviours Forest Gate. Emily was born about 1856 in Pitsea, and died on 6 Nov 1893, in Slinfold, Horsham, West Sussex, UK<sup>6</sup> aged 37, not long after Maud's birth.

Their children were:

- |    |     |  |                         |
|----|-----|--|-------------------------|
| 76 | i.  | <b>Bernard William SKIPWORTH</b> 1891-1918 | <i>refer to page 34</i> |
| 77 | ii. | <b>Maud Lilian SKIPWORTH</b> 1892-1979     | <i>refer to page 34</i> |

Memories of William, Emily and Bernard contributed by their great grandson Dan Skipworth-Michell are attached to a private family tree at Ancestry.com.



*Image of memorial in Slinfold churchyard by Wertypop 2013 on Findagrave.com*

**27. Anne Elizabeth SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 3 Oct 1848 in Grimsby,<sup>6</sup> was baptised on 12 Nov 1848 in Grimsby St James, and died in 1908 in Hackney RD, aged 59.<sup>6</sup>

- 1851: age 2 born Grimsby, niece visiting John & Mary Scarborough, Barton on Humber
- 1861: age 12 born Grimsby, at home Basildon
- 1871: age 22, at home with widowed mother
- 1881: age 32, unmarried at home, asst in fancygoods warehouse
- 1891: age 29, clerk Merchant's CC, boarder in physician's house [age reduced]
- 1901: age 38, boarder with her brother George at Hackney, born Grimsby, no occupation - probably housekeeper for her brother and his 2 adult children

**28. Benjamin Green SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born in 1851 in Stallingborough, Lincolnshire<sup>6</sup> and died in 1917<sup>6</sup> aged about 65.

- 1861: age 9 born Stallingborough, at home Basildon
- 1871: age 19, born Stallingborough, woollen draper's assistant, 1 Aldgate High St, London
- 1881: age 30, born Lincolnshire, outfitter, tailor Lewisham, with Harriet, Stanley, Jessie
- 1882: at Sydenham, Kent (Kellys)
- 1891: age 39, tailor and outfitter, at 6 Burnt Ash Hill, Lee, Kent with Harriet, Stanley, Jessie, Ethel, and sister-in-law Charlotte as a visitor [Hepworth]

1899: listed with Cape & Sth Africa merchants, 40-42 Queen Victoria St - PO Directory  
 1901: age 49, Bromley, Kent, born Stallingborough, tailor, with wife and children  
 1903: The Valley, 3 Glass Mill Lane, Bromley, Kent - Kelly's Directory  
 1907: 2 of his employees charged with stealing six yards of canvas and three yards silk  
 1911: age 59 of Bromley, Kent, with wife and son  
 1917: buried at Rothwell, age 69, of Searby, probate 1919 £8145  
 1957: ad for %Skipworth, tailor+still painted high on a wall in Queen Victoria St, London  
 Elliott's chart<sup>3</sup> notes incorrectly: %Mr Tyrrell says that Benjamin Green Skipworth of No 40-42 Queen Victoria St London and Brookhurst, Slinfold, Sussex is a descendant of this George - indicating the Irish line.+ The 1871 census ties him back to Stalllingborough and a different William Green S from the one in Ireland. A Mr Tyrrell attended WGS's Dublin funeral.

Benjamin married **Harriet STRATTON** on 20 Jun 1875 in Hackney St John, London.<sup>19</sup> Harriet was born about 1851 in Redditch, Worcestershire, UK and died in 1941 in Brighton. Probate to Jessie and Ethel, £1060.

1881: age 29 1891: age 40 1901: age 50 1911: age 60

Their children were:

78	i.	<b>Stanley Stratton SKIPWORTH</b> 1876-1940	<i>refer to page 34</i>
79	ii.	<b>Henry SKIPWORTH</b> 1877-1877	<i>refer to page 34</i>
80	iii.	<b>Jessie Mabel SKIPWORTH</b> 1879->1940	<i>refer to page 34</i>
81	iv.	<b>Alfred SKIPWORTH</b> 1883-1883	<i>refer to page 34</i>
82	v.	<b>Ethel Daisy SKIPWORTH</b> 1884->1940	<i>refer to page 35</i>
83	vi.	<b>Hilda May SKIPWORTH</b> 1893-1894	<i>refer to page 35</i>

**29. Alice SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1853 in Caistor RD,<sup>6</sup> died in 1855 in Billericay RD at age 2,<sup>6</sup> and was buried in Basildon.<sup>2</sup>

**30. Jessie SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1856 in Billericay RD,<sup>6</sup> and died on 7 Mar 1878 in Hackney at age 21.<sup>6</sup>

1861: age 4 born Basildon, at home with parents

1871: not found - away from home, possibly at school or in hospital

**31. Emily SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1859 in Basildon,<sup>6</sup> and died about Mar 1883 in Hackney RD,<sup>6</sup> aged about 24.

1861: age 1 born Basildon

1871: age 11, at home

1881: age 21, living with her widowed mother in London, unmarried, no employment.

## ***Fifth Generation (2x Great-Grandchildren)***

**32-41** The children of William Green and Ellen Skipworth in Dublin were frequently mentioned in the *Irish Times*. Their achievements are collected here as it is not always clear which of them was referred to.



Chapel, St Columba's College, Dublin

The two boys Philip and Willie were educated at St Columba's College, and were praised for performances on Commemoration Days as soprano vocalist, or as piano soloist. William played cricket on occasion in Past vs Present matches, and was also named in a University team playing Leinster [scores were rather low].

Philip, maintained his musical interests into adult life, playing double bass in orchestral and chamber music groups. He was in a Dublin orchestra which played at a concert at the new Grand Hall, Cork in 1883.

The girls were skilled tennis players, appearing at tournaments around Ireland and as far afield as Bath, usually in handicapped women's doubles or mixed doubles events. In 1890 Katherine was runner up in the Women's Open Singles at Rushbrook (Cork).

At least the three younger girls shared the musical talents of their brothers. Ada and Beatrice were both music teachers, and regularly contributed as piano soloists or as accompanists in Dublin charity concerts. Beatrice was mentioned in connection with an instrumental trio. Their cousin Clyde Twelveteeths was also often mentioned among the performers at these concerts.

The social column of the paper noted the family, the mother and children, or in later years the Misses Skipworth departing or returning on the Kingstown ferry [to Holyhead, Wales]. In later years, a notice appeared each September 'Miss Ada and Miss Beatrice Skipworth have returned to their home in Monkstown.+ Ellen does not seem to have accompanied them on these holidays. In earlier years their names were included among the guests at balls or conversationes.

With all this talent and social activity it is surprising to find that only one of the children appears to have married, and sadly it was to be only three years before Fanny's husband and only child were dead. Fanny and Katherine died in their 40s but Ellen, Ada and Beatrice lived to a ripe old age. After all their work for charities their passing apparently went almost unnoticed, with announcements stating 'funeral and house strictly private, no flowers or letters.+

**32. Philip Marshall SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 9 Mar 1863 in Dublin, Ireland and died on 21 Jun 1936 in Rathdown, Dublin, aged 74.<sup>9</sup>

- 1889: Royal Dublin Society recital: Mr Skipworth double bass - St Seans septet in E flat
- 1891: age 28, b Rathgar Ireland, with sister & brother-in-law Ilford, Essex, medical student His brother-in-law, a practicing doctor, died that year which may be the reason for Philip abandoning medicine as a career.
- 1897: playing Hummel's quintet in D minor at a concert in Dublin
- 1898: not mentioned in *The Medical Directory, including London, Provincial, Wales, Scotland, Ireland, Resident Doctors Abroad, Naval and Military, and Dental+*
- 1898: Philip Marshall Skipworth, born 9 Mar 1863, on clerical staff London, Midland & Scottish Railway, Euston station; retired about 1922 [staff record Ancestry.com]
- 1901: age 38, born Dublin, single, passenger on vessel at Holyhead mail jetty
- 1911: age 48, at Willesden, Middlesex [Skipwarth] single, clerk, boarder with 63 yr old lady

Philip, William and Fanny are shown as siblings on Elliott's chart,<sup>3</sup> but parents not correct; Philip said to be employed in the Railway Co, and to have have died about 1902 (incorrect).

**33. Frances Juliette SKIPWORTH "Fanny"** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 12 Mar 1865 in Rathmines, Dublin, Ireland.<sup>9</sup> She died aged 49 on 7 Oct 1913 in Rhosneigr, Anglesey, Wales.<sup>6</sup>

Fanny Skipworth, sister of Philip and William, noted on Elliott's chart.

1881: age 17 [Francis], born Ireland, clerk, visiting Dawsons in London, with sister Ellen

1911: age 46, widow, living with mother and sisters in Dublin, her only child deceased

Fanny married **Matthew Lewis DIGAN R.N., M.D.**, in 1888 in Dublin South RD.<sup>9</sup> Mathew was born about 1858 in O'Brien's Bridge, Co Clare, Ireland. In 1891 he was a General Practitioner of Rathgar, +176 Coventry Road (Redclyffe) Ilford, and died in 1891 Romford RD.

They had a daughter:

84 i. **Ellen DIGAN** 1889-1891

*refer to page 36*

**34. Ellen Jane SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1867 in Dublin North RD,<sup>9</sup> and died in 1956 in Rathdown RD, Dublin,<sup>9</sup> at age 90.

1881: visiting in London, sister Frances at same house.

1900: awarded 1st class Pitman's [shorthand] certificate

1911: age 44, private secretary, living with mother & 4 sisters 20 Trafalgar Tce, Dublin

1911: Miss Skipworth at suffragettes meetings - seconded vote of thanks

1915: principal of Lady Clerk's staff

1917: unmarried, living with mother

1939 and 1953 of 20 Trafalgar Tce, Monkstown

**35. William Frederick SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 28 Mar 1868 at 583, No 3 North City, Dublin,<sup>9</sup> and died at Monkstown Hospital Dublin on 4 Aug 1926.

1890-97: Subscription to Licenced Grocers and Vintners (per Michael Marshall & Co)

1893: attended a Dublin funeral

1899: commission agent 4/5 Eustace St Dublin (office address? prob lived with mother)

1901: age 33, born Dublin, boarder at Toxteth Park Liverpool, an Agent Broker.

1908: living with mother at 20 Trafalgar Terrace, Monkstown (listing out of date?)

1911: age 43 wine & spirit commission agent, employer, resident Dublin, in boarding house at Liverpool run by Renshaw family

1926: of Liverpool, probate granted to J Ravenscroft

**36. Katherine SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 26 Jul 1869 at No 3 North City, Dublin<sup>9</sup> and died on 11 Jul 1917 in Dublin at age 47.<sup>9</sup>

1901: Catherine, age 31, born Dublin, private secretary Southborough in Kent

1911: Katherine, age 41, superintendant female clerks, with mother & 4 sisters, Dublin

Probate Katherine Skipworth at Monkstown, Dublin in 1917. Refer Film: 496393

After the 1922 fire at Dublin Record Office, the government appealed for Irish residents to donate any copies of records they possessed.

Affidavit of Ellen Jane Skipworth of No 20 Trafalgar Tce, Monkstown, Dublin, spinster, who applied for administration intestate of Katherine Skipworth, same address, who died 11 July 1917, aged 47. She had living no husband, no children, one parent, no grandparent. Estate in UK £138. Assets: £18 War Loans, £16 Bank, £5 salary owing for 1-11 July 1917, £100 life insurance, no furniture (lived with her mother).

**37. Alfred Barry SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born (unnamed male) on 11 Nov 1871 in Rathfarnham, Dublin,<sup>9</sup> and died in 1876 in Dublin South RD, at age 4.<sup>9</sup>

**38. Mary SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 12 Jan 1873<sup>9</sup> and died 1873 in Dublin South RD.<sup>9</sup>

**39. Ada Mary SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 28 Dec 1873 in Rathmines, Dublin South,<sup>9</sup> and died in 1954 in Rathdown RD, Dublin, at age 80.<sup>9</sup> [birth and death both indexed Shipworth]

- 1895: performed in pupils concert of Royal Irish Academy of Music. Miss Skipworth was extremely successful in her playing of the Andante and the Allegro Finale of Mendellson's G minor concerto ... orchestral accompaniments given by the band .... displayed a considerable amount of sustained power in the rapid and difficult finale though perhaps a little weak towards the close.+
- 1890s, 1900s Ada Skipworth regularly performing at concerts as soloist or accompanist
- 1911: age 37, music teacher, living with mother and 4 sisters at Trafalgar Tce, Dublin
- 1915: seated at front - Lady Superintendent of St John's Ambulance volunteers



**40. Walter Michael SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 23 Jun 1875 and died in 1875 in Dublin South RD.<sup>9, 9</sup> (age 2, should be 2 months?)

**41. Beatrice SKIPWORTH** (*William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 18 Jan 1878 in Dublin,<sup>9</sup> and died in 1958 in Rathdown RD, Dublin,<sup>9</sup> age 80.

- 1895: played in West of England Tennis Champs at Bath (mixed doubles handicap)
- 1901: Miss Beatrice Skipworth's instrumental trio placed third in Dublin contest
- 1911: age 33, music teacher, living with mother and 4 sisters at Trafalgar Tce, Dublin
- 1936: received £1000 bequest in will of friend Mrs Emily Mitchell (total estate £21,410)
- 1958: charitable bequests in her will: £20 Monkstown Protestant church, £25 Eye & Ear hospital, Dublin, £20 Alexandra College Guild bursary, picture by di Pozzo to Little Sisters of the Assumption, residue to Monkstown hospital.

**42. Estoteville Alfred Grey SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 1 Mar 1867 in Te Rahue, Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> and was buried on 17 Jan 1950 in Taruheru Cemetery, Gisborne, at age 83.<sup>8</sup>

- 1893: labourer of Tahoka, Waiapu electorate [electoral roll]
- 1897 & 1907: occupation wood turner



- 1907: of Macauley Street, Auckland, noted that Coralie's birth registered at Gisborne  
 1919: Electoral Roll included Caroline Skipworth, married of Disraei St, Gisborne and Margaret Skipworth, married of Lowe St, Gisborne ( possibly his 2 wives )  
 1927: Gisborne Pioneers Lunch - Skipworth Alfred S Disraeli Street Gisborne born here in 1868  
 His nephew Fred referred to him as a natural sportsman, gymnast and skater.

Alfred's relationship with **Clara ALDING** of Dannevirke resulted in two children:

- |    |     |   |                         |
|----|-----|---|-------------------------|
| 85 | i.  | <b>George William ALDING</b> 1895-1895          | <i>refer to page 36</i> |
| 86 | ii. | <b>Lionel Alfred Skipworth ALDING</b> 1897-1932 | <i>refer to page 36</i> |

Alfred married **Margaret RUDDOCK** on 9 Jun 1896.<sup>5</sup> Lionel named his step-mother Margaret as his next of kin when enlisting for war service. By that time Alfred and Margaret had separated and Margaret was in trouble with police for operating a boarding house where liquor was sold without a licence.

Alfred remarried, apparently bigamously, to **Caroline BURNETT (Carrie)** on 19 Jul 1907 in Auckland, NZ.<sup>5</sup> Caroline was born about 1866 in Cambridge, NZ and died on 13 Apr 1941 in Gisborne, aged about 75. She had been previously married to Selina Ferdinand HEDLUND, a hotelkeeper, and in March 1907 Alfred was cited as co-respondent in her divorce.

They had a daughter:

- |    |    |   |                      |
|----|----|---|----------------------|
| 87 | i. | <b>Coralie Alfreda Caroline Estoteville SKIPWORTH</b> 1907-1992 | <i>refer page 37</i> |
|----|----|---|----------------------|

**43. Edith Eleanor SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green* <sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1869 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> died on 30 Jul 1962<sup>5</sup> in Gisborne at age 90, and was buried in Taruheru Cemetery.<sup>8</sup>

Edith married **William ARTHUR** in 1899,<sup>5</sup> the son of Alexander Creighton ARTHUR and Mereana WARD. William's father was MP for the East Coast electorate in 1889-1890. William was buried on 6 Jun 1967 in Taruheru cemetery, Gisborne, Refer also <http://api.aucklandmuseum.com/id/media/public/a54716c4-1f2a-4bc7-b55f-7e40959e669f/original.pdf>

Their children were:

- |    |      |  |                              |
|----|------|--|------------------------------|
| 88 | i.   | <b>Acland Creighton ARTHUR</b> 1900-1964       | <i>refer to page 37</i>      |
| 89 | ii.  | <b>Thelma Te Rina Arareta ARTHUR</b> 1901-1987 | <i>refer to page 37</i>      |
| 90 | iii. | <b>Harley Mangham Selwyn ARTHUR</b> 1909-1985  | <i>refer to page 37</i>      |
| 91 | iv.  | <b>Edith Rowena ARTHUR</b> 1915                | <i>nothing further known</i> |



MERE ARTHUR holding her Mokapuna, Thelma Te Rina Atareta Arthur, b. 1901, daughter of William Arthur & Edith Eleanor nee Skipworth. In 1932 Thelma Arthur married Wallace STEWART

**44. Reginald Herbert Green SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green* <sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1872 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> died on 22 May 1944 of 16 Greenwood St Frankton, NZ<sup>5</sup> at age 73, and was buried on 24 May 1944 in Hamilton East Cemetery.<sup>8</sup>

His occupations were traveller, agent, clerk, of Hamilton.

His wife ran away with another man, leaving him to bring up the family.

He died while his son Fred was away in the Pacific war.

Reginald married **Isabella Robertson MARKS** on 17 March 1905.<sup>5</sup> Isabella had been born in Auckland in 1883 to **John MARKS**, an engineer, and his wife **Isabella, nee ROBERTSON**. Her mother died a few days later. At the time of her marriage to Reg Skipworth they already had a son 3 months old (Reg junior). The family lived initially in Auckland, where Vera was born, shifting to Hamilton about 1914.

Also living in Hamilton at this time was a policeman, **Arnold Sydney WADE**. Although 16 years younger than Isabella, the couple formed an attachment which led to Isabella abandoning her children and moving to Christchurch to live with Arnold in the early 1930s. She eventually married Arnold in 1947, died in 1949, and was buried in Bromley cemetery, Christchurch.<sup>5</sup>

Reg and Isobel had 3 sons and a daughter:

- |    |      |   |                         |
|----|------|---|-------------------------|
| 92 | i.   | <b>Reginald Malfroy Duval Gershom SKIPWORTH</b> 1904-1987 | <i>refer to page 37</i> |
| 93 | ii.  | <b>Vera Eileen Isobel SKIPWORTH</b> 1906-1999             | <i>refer to page 38</i> |
| 94 | iii. | <b>Frederick Herbert Vercoe SKIPWORTH</b> 1916-2000       | <i>refer to page 38</i> |
| 95 | iv.  | <b>Athol Pinfold Uren SKIPWORTH</b> 1920-1990             | <i>refer to page 39</i> |



Grandmother: Margaret Skipworth (nee Uren),  
Parents: Isabel Skipworth (nee Marks), Reginald Herbert Green Skipworth  
with their 2 elder children Reg and Vera

**45. Francis Frederick Green SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1874 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> died in Makauri, Gisborne, and was buried on 16 Jun 1894 in Makaraka Cemetery, aged 20.<sup>8</sup> [Death registration not found]

**46. Kate Isabella SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1876 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> and was buried on 16 Feb 1954 in Taruheru Cemetery, Gisborne, aged 77.<sup>8</sup>

Fred and Merle visited a Mrs Cameron nee Skipworth+whom they think could have been Kate's daughter, but she would not have been "nee Skipworth." Mrs Cameron's husband "had a good position with Watties."

Kate married **Francis Bishop CALCOTT** in 1899.<sup>5</sup> Francis was born about 1876, and was buried on 24 Oct 1944 in Taruheru Cemetery, Gisborne, aged 68.<sup>8</sup>

They had 2 daughters:

- |    |     |  |                              |
|----|-----|--|------------------------------|
| 96 | i.  | <b>Myra Granville Skipworth CALCOTT</b> 1900-1976    |                              |
|    |     | She married <b>Charles Henry Percy MASON</b> in 1930 | <i>nothing further known</i> |
| 97 | ii. | <b>Hermone Kathleen Skipworth CALCOTT</b> 1903-      | <i>nothing further known</i> |

**47. William Green SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1878 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> died in 1878 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> and was buried in Makaraka cemetery on 5 Oct 1878,<sup>8</sup> age 12 hours.

**48. Ethel Margaret Alice SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1880 in Gisborne.<sup>5</sup> She died on 14 Jun 1960<sup>5</sup> and was buried in Purewa cemetery, Auckland.

Fred referred to his Aunt Ethel as "a lovely, kind person." Her husband was a commercial traveller who had done "quite well." They had a big home in the best part of Mt Albert and a nice car with a hood in which Fred and his cousin Cecil were allowed to cruise around the city. He had wonderful holidays there. Fred's aunts were very upstanding and proud about being Skipworths. House-proud ladies too!

Ethel married **Harry ROADS** in 1902.<sup>5</sup> Harry died on 20 Sep 1950,<sup>5</sup> of 2 Tokomaru St, Orakei, and was buried at Purewa cemetery, Auckland. Their children were:

- |     |      |   |                              |
|-----|------|---|------------------------------|
| 98  | i.   | <b>Phyllis Edith Jeene ROADS</b> 1903-                  | <i>nothing further known</i> |
| 99  | ii.  | <b>Cecil Harper ROADS</b> 1904-1939                     | <i>nothing further known</i> |
| 100 | iii. | <b>Rosalind Elizabeth Margretta ROADS (Betty)</b> 1910- | <i>nothing further known</i> |

**49. William Philip Green SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1883 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> and died of typhoid fever on 25 Nov 1928 in Marton, Rangitikei, NZ<sup>5</sup> at age 45.

1922: traveller of 30 Church St Palmerston North (electoral roll)

1927: auctioneer of 30 Andrew Young Street, Palmerston North

William married **Emily Clara BARNETT** in 1905.<sup>5</sup> Emily was born about 1879, died on 24 Nov 1962 in Auckland,<sup>5</sup> aged 83. She was cremated on 26 Nov 1962 in Purewa Cemetery, Auckland, and her ashes interred Block B Row 6 Plot 027.<sup>8</sup> Her last address: 4 Picton Street, Ponsonby

Their children were:

- |     |      |  |                         |
|-----|------|--|-------------------------|
| 101 | i.   | <b>Olive SKIPWORTH</b> 1905-1982           | <i>refer to page 39</i> |
| 102 | ii.  | <b>Adelina Leonore SKIPWORTH</b> 1908-1973 | <i>refer to page 39</i> |
| 103 | iii. | <b>Rex William SKIPWORTH</b> 1915-1983     | <i>refer to page 39</i> |

**50. Eileen Muriel Mangham SKIPWORTH** (*Frederick Green* <sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1888 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> and was cremated in 1971 at Purewa Cemetery, Auckland.<sup>8</sup> [named Mangham for her paternal grandmother]

Eileen married **John Thomas LEWIS (Jack)** in 1911.<sup>5</sup> Their children were:

104	i.	<b>Clifford Lynn Thomas LEWIS</b>	1912-1944	<i>nothing further known</i>
105	ii.	<b>Cecil Saunders LEWIS</b>	1914-1944	<i>nothing further known</i>
106	iii.	<b>Ivan John LEWIS</b>	1914-	<i>nothing further known</i>
107	iv.	<b>Ronald Frederick Gwynne LEWIS</b>	1919-1985	<i>nothing further known</i>
108	v.	<b>Norman LEWIS</b>		<i>nothing further known</i>

**51. Ada Catherine TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH* <sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born on 19 Aug 1859 in Grantham, Lincolnshire.<sup>6</sup> She was probably the Ada K Twelvetrees who died in 1947, Wandsworth Registration District, UK.

1871: indexed as Swelvetras

1881: at home, unmarried

1891: boarder, no occupation with widow Mary Houghton and son at Winthorpe, Lincs.

**52. Percy Skipworth TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH* <sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1861 in Leeds, Yorkshire<sup>6</sup> and died on 21 Feb 1897 in Marylebone, Middlesex<sup>6</sup> aged about 36. [birth indexed Twelvestrees]

1871: age 10, scholar at Hemsby, Norfolk, boarding with Draper family & their governess.

1881: at home unmarried, railway clerk.

1886: marriage in Chelsea Registration District to **Sophia BARTLETT**.

**53. Frank TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH* <sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born and died in 1863 in Nottingham, UK, presumed twin.<sup>6, 6</sup>

**54. Elsie Mary TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH* <sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1863 in Nottingham, presumed twin.<sup>6</sup>

1891: age 27, widow, at home with father and 2 brothers, no occupation

Elsie married **Ernest Robert BRUNT** in 1887 in Pembroke RD, UK.<sup>6</sup> He died 1888 in Hitchin RD. Elsie married **Harry Dunwell ELLIS** in December quarter 1892 in Edmonton RD.<sup>6</sup> They had 2 daughters, **Gladys** who married **Hamish GUNN**, and **Ruth Mary** who married **John COLE** in 1920. Harry was a copper mining engineer in Chile, Hamish and Gladys lived in Canada.

**55. Herbert Edward TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH* <sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1865 in Nottingham.<sup>6</sup> He was probably the Herbert Twelvetrees who died in 3rd quarter 1932 aged 67 in Hackney Registration District, UK.

At home 1871 census

**56. Kate Isabel TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH* <sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green* <sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1868 in Islington, Middlesex.<sup>6</sup>

1871: at home

1891: Ada & Kate boarders, no occupation with widow Mary Houghton, Winthorpe, Lincs

1901: Kate I White, born Hornsey, London with husband, electrical engineer, no chn

Kate married in 1897 Edmonton RD, **Frederick Charles H WHITE** (b abt 1873 Tasmania)

**57. William Skipworth TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH*<sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born and died in 1870 in Edmonton RD, UK.<sup>6, 6</sup>

**58. Jessie Beatrice TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH*<sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1872 in Islington, Middlesex.<sup>6</sup> She was probably the Jessie B Twelvetrees who died aged 56 in June quarter 1928 in Edmonton RD, UK.

1891: age 19, at home, no occupation



**59. Arthur Clyde TWELVETREES** (*Elizabeth Ann SKIPWORTH*<sup>14</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1874 in Islington, Middlesex,<sup>6</sup> and died on 31 Jan 1956 in Dublin, aged 81.<sup>18</sup>

1891: age 16, at home, no occupation  
 1903: performed in Dublin musical events with his cousin Ada Skipworth  
 1956: Obituary: study at Leipzig and Paris ÷ staff Royal Irish Academy 1902-1922 ÷ principal cellist Halle Orchestra, Manchester 1922-38, retired Dublin. Played BBC Northern Orchestra, Liverpool Philharmonic, Professor of cello Royal Manchester College of Music.

Clyde married in 1908 Rotherham RD, **Ethel Mary EYRE.**<sup>6</sup>

**60. Jessie Alfreda Georgiana SKIPWORTH** (*Alfred*<sup>21</sup>, *Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1882 in Sheffield, Yorkshire<sup>6</sup> and died in 1945 in Sheffield RD.<sup>6</sup>

1891: age 9, with her maternal grandparents - he a retired iron moulder  
 1901: age 19, filecaser at steel works Attercliffe Cum Darnall (Sheffield).

Jessie married **Frederick W BRADWELL** in 1911 in Ecclesall RD.<sup>6</sup>

**61. Essie Caroline Georgiana SKIPWORTH** (*Walter*<sup>22</sup>, *Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1878 in Orsett RD, Essex<sup>6</sup> and died in 1878 in Oxford RD, UK.<sup>6</sup>

**62. Leonard Walter SKIPWORTH** (*Walter*<sup>22</sup>, *Thomas George*<sup>7</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) born 1879 St Ebbes, Oxfordshire, UK,<sup>6</sup> and died in 1950 at Northcote, Victoria, Australia.



1891: age 12, with maternal grandmother, Caroline Smith, widow, grocer and draper, and her son Arthur Smith, Draper shop manager, High St, Sth Ockenden, Essex.  
 1901: age 22, a tram car fitter, unmarried and living at home.  
 1902: travelled to Melbourne, Australia 1911: not found in England census  
 1919-1936 Victoria electoral rolls at Richmond, Bentleigh, Northcote

Leonard married **Annie KEHER** in 1906 in Victoria, Australia

Their children included:

109	i.	<b>Gladys Millicent Mary SKIPWORTH</b> born 1909	<i>nothing further known</i>
110	ii.	<b>Walter Leonard SKIPWORTH</b> died 1919 Ballarat	<i>nothing further known</i>
111	iii.	<b>Amy SKIPWORTH</b> at home 1936 electoral roll	<i>nothing further known</i>

**63. Essie Laurie Taylor SKIPWORTH** (*Walter<sup>22</sup>, Thomas George<sup>7</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 25 Dec 1880 in St Ebbes, Oxfordshire, and baptised on 7 Aug 1887 at Apsley End, Hertfordshire.<sup>17</sup> She died aged 88 in 1969 in Rochford RD.

1881: age 3 months, Elsie L T 1891: age 10, Elsie L, scholar 1901: age 20, Laurie

**64. Basil Thomas Josiah SKIPWORTH** (*Walter<sup>22</sup>, Thomas George<sup>7</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 14 Jul 1882 in Oxford, Oxfordshire, and baptised on 7 Aug 1887 at Apsley End, Hertfordshire.<sup>17</sup>

1891: age 8, at home  
 1901: age 18, plumber's mate, unmarried at home  
 1911: not found in census

**65. Dorothy Alma SKIPWORTH** (*Walter<sup>22</sup>, Thomas George<sup>7</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 5 March 1884 in Oxford, Oxfordshire, and baptised on 7 Aug 1887 at Apsley End, Hertfordshire.<sup>17</sup>

At home, aged 17 in 1901, at home 1891, not found 1911

Dorothy married **Edward A. PECK** in 1914 in W. Ham RD.<sup>6</sup>

**66. Amy Lizzie Emily SKIPWORTH** (*Walter<sup>22</sup>, Thomas George<sup>7</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 25 Apr 1885 in St Albans, Hertfordshire, and baptised on 7 Aug 1887 at Apsley End, Hertfordshire.<sup>17</sup>

1891: age 5, a "visitor" in her grandmother Smith's household  
 1901: age 15 at home  
 1911: at Rochford RD with daughter Marjorie Amy Lizzie BANKS b 1910

Amy married **Thomas Benjamin BANKS** in 1908 in Rochford RD, Essex.<sup>6</sup> Thomas was born about 1883.

**67. Gladys Millicent SKIPWORTH** (*Walter<sup>22</sup>, Thomas George<sup>7</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 29 May 1887 and baptised on 7 Aug 1887 at Apsley End, Hertfordshire.<sup>93</sup>

1901: niece with Smith and Ware relatives at Leyton, Essex, her mother having died

**68. George Henry SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry<sup>24</sup>, William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born about Sep 1873 in Thetford RD,<sup>6</sup> and died about Jun 1875 in Mile End RD, London.<sup>6</sup>

**69. William George SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry<sup>24</sup>, William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born about Dec 1875 in Hackney RD,<sup>6</sup> and died about Mar 1876 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup>

**70. Fred SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry<sup>24</sup>, William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born and died in 1877 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup>

**71. Ernest SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry<sup>24</sup>, William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born about 1878 in Hackney, Middlesex.<sup>6</sup>

1881: age 3, born Hackney, living Hackney  
 1891: age 13, at home in Hackney, born Clapton (which is in the Hackney area)  
 1901: age 23, at home unmarried, commercial clerk, born Clapton  
 Neither Ernest or his wife at home in 1911 census, no deaths found - could be abroad, children with their aunt and grandfather.

Ernest married **Eliza SNOWDON** in Dec 1901 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup>

Their children were:

112	i.	<b>Ernest George SKIPWORTH</b>	1902-1959	<i>refer to page 40</i>
113	ii.	<b>Jessie SKIPWORTH</b>	1904-	<i>refer to page 40</i>
114	iii.	<b>Mabel SKIPWORTH</b>	1906-	<i>refer to page 40</i>

**72. Bessie SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry<sup>24</sup>, William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born about 1879 in Hackney, Middlesex<sup>6</sup> and died after 1914.

1881: age 2 at home  
 1891: age 12 at home  
 1901: age 22, at home unmarried, domestic housekeeper, born Clapton  
 1911: age 32, at home with father, nephew and niece Billericay RD

Bessie married **Charles J MOORES** in 1915 in Billericay RD.<sup>6</sup>

**73. Cecil SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry<sup>24</sup>, William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born about Dec 1880 in Hackney RD,<sup>6</sup> and died aged 4 months about Mar 1881 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup>

**74. Leslie SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry<sup>24</sup>, William Green of Basildon<sup>8</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born about 1881 in Hackney RD,<sup>6</sup> and died on 4 Aug 1962 aged 80.

1891: age 9, nephew in Thomas's household. [Indexed Shipwash]. Leslie's mother had died when he was one year old and he may have been adopted by Thomas and Charlotte who were childless. Leslie later followed Thomas's trade of butchery.  
 1901: age 19, he said he was born in Cambridgeshire (where Thomas lived) although in 1891 Thomas had given the information that Leslie was born in Hackney (where Leslie's siblings were also born). In 1901 he was a butcher in Felixstowe, Suffolk.  
 1911: aged 29 of Uckfield Sussex with wife and son  
 1911-1915: butcher, of Maresfield, Uckfield, Sussex  
 1962: of 58 Framfield Road, Uckfield, butcher, - probate £5348 reps Eric Gray Skipworth, Thomas George Skipworth, Ronald Alan Langridge (accountant)

Leslie married **Matilda Jane BOWMAN** on 4 Jun 1907 in St. Pancras Chapel, London.<sup>19</sup> Matilda died on 23 Jan 1959 in Uckfield [*London Gazette*]

They had 2 sons:

115	i.	<b>Thomas George SKIPWORTH</b>	1908-1987	<i>refer to page 40</i>
116	ii.	<b>Eric Gray SKIPWORTH</b>	1912-1977	<i>refer to page 40</i>

**75. Harold SKIPWORTH** (*George Henry*<sup>24</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born and died about Mar 1883 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup>

**76. Lieut Bernard William SKIPWORTH M. C.** (*William Green II*<sup>26</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1891 in Eltham nr Greenwich, London.<sup>6</sup>

- 1901: age 9 born Eltham, living at Slinford Entire with William and Maud.  
Educated Dulwich College - source schools list
- 1911: age 19 at home with father and sister
- 1918: killed in action in Belgium, %Bernard William Skipworth, M.C. Lieutenant 3rd Bn., Royal Sussex Regiment attd. 9th Bn., Machine Gun Corps (Inf) who died on Thursday 25 April 1918, aged 28. Missing in action, Tyne Cot Memorial, Zonnebeke, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.+ CWGC website  
Military Cross citation: For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He got three machine guns into action at the second objective with the utmost speed and engaged the retreating enemy before the attacking companies had got forward. He set a splendid example to his men throughout. [London Gazette.]

**77. Maud Lilian SKIPWORTH** (*William Green II*<sup>26</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 18 Sep 1892 in Horsham, West Sussex,<sup>6</sup> and died there on 16 Feb 1979.

- 1911: age 18 at home with father and brother

Maud married **John Henry MICHELL** on 2 Sep 1922, in Mumbai, Maharashtra, India

**78. Stanley Stratton SKIPWORTH** (*Benjamin Green*<sup>28</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1876 in Clapton, London<sup>6</sup> and died aged 62 in 1940 in Kent, UK.

- 1881: aged 5 born Clapton
- 1881: age 15 [Hepworth]
- 1901: age 25, tailor's cutter of Bromley Kent, probably working with his father.
- 1911: age 33 of Bromley, Kent probably same household as parents
- 1939: age 61, living with Frank E BARTON and others in Hollingbourne RD, Kent.

**79. Henry SKIPWORTH** (*Benjamin Green*<sup>28</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born and died about Sep 1877 in Lewisham, London.<sup>6</sup>

**80. Jessie Mabel SKIPWORTH** (*Benjamin Green*<sup>28</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1879 in Sydenham, London<sup>6</sup> and died after 1900.

- 1881: aged 1 born Sydenham, Kent
- 1891: age 11 [Hepworth]
- 1901: aged 21, at home no occupation
- 1911: aged 31, Bromley RD with husband and Phyllis Mabel WEBSTER aged 4
- 1939: living with Harry B Webster and others in Hampshire.
- 1941: Executor for her mother

Jessie married **Harry Bourne WEBSTER** in 1905 in Bromley RD, Kent.<sup>6</sup>

**81. Alfred SKIPWORTH** (*Benjamin Green*<sup>28</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born and died about Mar 1883 in Lewisham, London.<sup>6</sup>

**82. Ethel Daisy SKIPWORTH** (*Benjamin Green* <sup>28</sup>, *William Green of Basildon* <sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1884 in Croydon, Surrey,<sup>6</sup> was baptised on 10 May 1885 in Croyden, Surrey,<sup>1</sup> and died after 1910.

1891: age 6 at home with parents [Hepworth]

1911: Ethel Daisy HILTON at Bromley with husband, no children.

1941: Executor for her mother

Ethel married **John Edgington HILTON** in 1908 in Bromley RD.<sup>6</sup>

**83. Hilda May SKIPWORTH** (*Benjamin Green* <sup>28</sup>, *William Green of Basildon* <sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell* <sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1893 in Brompton, Kent,<sup>6</sup> was baptised on 26 May 1894 in Kent, and died 4th quarter 1894.<sup>6</sup>

### ***Sixth Generation (3x Great-Grandchildren)***

**84. Ellen DIGAN** (*Frances Juliette SKIPWORTH "Fanny"*<sup>33</sup>, *William Green of Dublin*<sup>11</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 6 Jan 1889 at Royal Naval Hospital Bighi, Malta the daughter of Frances Juliette and Matthew Lewis Digan, Surgeon, Royal Navy. She died Sep 1/4 1891 Romford RD, Essex, aged 2.

**85. George William ALDING** (*Estoteville Alfred Grey SKIPWORTH*<sup>42</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 29 Sep 1895, mother Clara ALDING, father unnamed but said by family to have been Alfred SKIPWORTH. This infant did not survive.

**86. Lionel Alfred SKIPWORTH** (*Estoteville Alfred Grey*<sup>42</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 2 Sep 1897 in Dannevirke, NZ,<sup>5</sup> died on 26 Oct 1932 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> aged 35, and was buried in Taruheru cemetery.<sup>8</sup>

Lionel stated that he was born at Dannevirke, though there is no record in NZ BDM index. School and army records show his birthdate as 2 Sep 1897, which is also the registered birth date of Lionel Alfred Skipworth ALDING born to Clara ALDING and an unnamed father. Alding family members believe that his father was Estoteville Alfred Skipworth, and that he was raised by his father. He is reputed to have had an older sibling George William ALDING who died in infancy.

Lionel commenced his schooling at Gisborne and then was admitted to Ashhurst School near Palmerston North on 15 Aug 1910, former school Gisborne Std III, guardian Mr Middleton. In 1919, and 1922 he was a motor mechanic of Bright Street, Gisborne. He served in 1 NZEF World War I (1918, probably England only) next of kin mother Mrs Margaret Skipworth Gisborne.

1927-33 Wises, mechanic or driver of Gisborne; 1940 he was a cabinetmaker of Opotiki.



Image : <http://bygonedaysphotography.blogspot.co.nz/2012/10/is-this-lionel-alfred-skipworth-1897.html>



A family member has given his name as Lionel Francis, but his electoral listing and his signature on his army and marriage records are Lionel Alfred Skipworth.

Lionel married **Mary MARJORIBANKS** on 2 Feb 1922 in Gisborne,<sup>11</sup> daughter of **Robert Craig MARJORIBANKS** and **Margaret NICHOLSON**. Mary was born about 1898 in Gore, NZ, died on 30 Jan 1945 aged about 47, and was buried in Opotiki., alongside her father. They had 3 sons and 1 daughter.

**87. Coralie Alfreda Caroline Estoteville SKIPWORTH** (*Estoteville Alfred Grey<sup>42</sup>, Frederick Green<sup>13</sup>, Philip Green<sup>6</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 29 Aug 1907 in Auckland,<sup>16</sup> and was buried in 1992 in Taruheru Cemetery, Gisborne.<sup>8</sup>

Coralie married **Sydney Edward SARGENT** in 1927. He was born on 14 Mar 1908 and died in 1979. She was divorced by her husband in 1938.

In 1938 Coralie married **Philip Patrick BRADY** who died in 1963 and is buried at Taruheru cemetery.<sup>8</sup>

In 1966 Coralie married **William Vernon CLARKE**.<sup>5</sup> William was born about 1894 and died in 1969, buried in Taruheru Cemetery, Gisborne.<sup>8</sup>

**88. Acland Creighton ARTHUR** (*Edith Eleanor SKIPWORTH<sup>43</sup>, Frederick Green<sup>13</sup>, Philip Green<sup>6</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 14 Feb 1900 in Huntly, NZ<sup>5</sup> and was buried in 1964 in Waikumete cemetery, Auckland.<sup>8</sup>

Aclan in intention to marry and burial record, other records have Acland or Ackland  
Schools: Richmond Auckland, Gisborne Central, Te Hapara, "High School"

Acland married **Norma Edith POWELL** in 1924.<sup>5</sup> Norma was born about 1901 and was buried in 1989 in Waikumete cemetery, Auckland.<sup>8</sup>

**89. Thelma Te Rina Arareta ARTHUR** (*Edith Eleanor SKIPWORTH<sup>43</sup>, Frederick Green<sup>13</sup>, Philip Green<sup>6</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 28 May 1901 in Ohinemuri, Waikato, NZ<sup>5</sup> and was cremated in 1987 at Waikumete cemetery, Auckland.<sup>8</sup>

Schools: Gisborne, Te Hapara

Thelma married **Wallace STEWART** in 1932.<sup>5</sup> Wallace was born about 1885 and his ashes were scattered in 1968 at Waikumete cemetery, Auckland.<sup>8</sup>

**90. Harley Mangham Selwyn ARTHUR** (*Edith Eleanor SKIPWORTH<sup>43</sup>, Frederick Green<sup>13</sup>, Philip Green<sup>6</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 16 Aug 1909,<sup>5</sup> and died in 1985.<sup>5</sup>

Harley married **Nellie Patricia HERON** in 1930. Nellie was born on 16 Mar 1898 and died in 1990.<sup>5</sup>

**92. Reginald Malfroy Duval Gershom SKIPWORTH** (*Reginald Herbert Green<sup>44</sup>, Frederick Green<sup>13</sup>, Philip Green<sup>6</sup>, William of Rothwell<sup>2</sup>, Thomas of Riby<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 5 Dec 1904 in Gisborne,<sup>5</sup> died on 10 May 1987 in Christchurch,<sup>5</sup> at age 82, and was buried in Ruru Lawn Cemetery, Christchurch.

Birth was registered in 1904, 1905, and 1907, his names derived from his mother's family.  
Served 2NZEF 514219 Pte NZ infantry, occupation mechanic, engineer.

Passionate family genealogist who distributed a printed a chart of his ancestry. His paid researcher had relied on Elliott's chart<sup>3</sup> to provide a pedigree back to 1066, now discredited.

Reginald married **Mary Ann STURT** in 1930,<sup>5</sup> daughter of **William Arthur STURT**. Mary was born on 24 Aug 1911 and died on 29 Apr 2005<sup>5</sup> at age 93. They had 1 son and 2 daughters.

**93. Vera Eileen Isobel SKIPWORTH** (*Reginald Herbert Green*<sup>44</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 11 Nov 1906 in Auckland,<sup>5</sup> and died on 13 Apr 1999 in Christchurch,<sup>5</sup> at age 92.



Vera had a relationship with **Frederick PRINCE** whose photo, above, is held by their granddaughter. They had a daughter:

- 117      i.      **Nola Vera Isobel SKIPWORTH** 1925-1998. Nola was raised initially by her grandfather, and later by her uncle and aunt (Reg and Mary). She is understood to have been 60 years old before she learned the truth about her parents. Nola married **Malvin Neil ARCHBOLD** (1925-1998) and raised a family of 15 children, including three sets of twins, at Greta Valley in North Canterbury. Nola was a very dearly loved mother and grandmother. She did her best to provide a loving home for her children, and in her later years she loved to hear news of the births of her grandchildren. Malvin on the other hand was a slave to the bottle and difficult to live with at times. However he was a good worker on the neighbouring farm for many years.

Vera married **Clifford James TAYLOR** in 1926.<sup>5</sup> They had 3 sons and 2 daughters, but Cliff was not willing to accept Nola into his family.

**94. Frederick Herbert Vercoe SKIPWORTH** (*Reginald Herbert Green*<sup>44</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 27 Apr 1916 in Hamilton, NZ<sup>5</sup> and died in Tauranga on 16 Jun 2000 aged 84.

Began as a taxi driver, then a bus driver, served in WW2 RegNo 64026 as a driver in the Army Service Corps. After the war he trained as a painter and decorator.

from: *Bay News* [Bay of Plenty community newspaper] April 8 1998, with photograph

Merle and Fred Skipworth have no special recipe for a successful marriage. But the couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last week saying they have never gone to bed with grudges against each other. "There is no recipe for a good marriage," says Merle. "But I think it's important you know how you feel before you get married. Afterwards, it's tolerance you need. It's not for one person to have power over the other." Merle says they

have had their rough-and-tumbles. "We're both stubborn and haven't always agreed on things, but we sit and work it through."

Fred and Merle met at a New Year's Eve dance in Raglan 51 years ago. "He came up and asked me for a dance and that was it," says Merle. She found out afterwards they were staying at the same holiday camp and Fred had espied her beforehand. The holiday romance blossomed and Fred used to take Merle to dances where he played the trumpet. They used to go for midnight feeds in Hamilton on the way home, sometimes even sitting in the car to see the sunrise at Raglan. After the holidays Merle went home to the farm at Kawhia and Fred went and boarded with the family. He wasn't long out of the army after three year's active service in the islands during World War Two.

The couple married and lived first in Hamilton, then Auckland, before moving to Gisborne, Wanganui, Matamata and finally Papamoa.

Merle is one of nine children, Fred one of four. Both have a sister each left alive. And they have two children of their own and six grandchildren. Sons Doug and Reg and their wives Rose and Wendy say the couple's love and support for one another throughout their 50 years has been an inspiration.

Fred was a taxi driver and bus driver prior to war, and served 3 years in NZ army in Pacific, during World War II. He lived with Aunt Edith and Uncle William ARTHUR following the war and trained as a painter and decorator. They moved around quite a bit after their marriage, including periods in Hamilton, Auckland and Gisborne, Wanganui and Matamata. They retired to Papamoa.

Fred married **Merline Dorothy BAIRD (Merle)** in Apr 1948. Merle was born in 1923 in Riverton. They had 2 sons.

**95. Athol Pinfold Uren SKIPWORTH** (*Reginald Herbert Green*<sup>44</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 19 Aug 1920,<sup>5</sup> died on 22 Nov 1990 in Hamilton,<sup>5</sup> at age 70, and was cremated at Hamilton Park Cemetery.<sup>8</sup>

aged 70, served 2NZE 420624 next of kin wife Mrs B P Skipworth, 29 Rawlings St, Hamilton [Army Death - card at National Archives]  
cremation Hamilton City Council, Hamilton Park 1990 age 70 of 29 Rawlings St, Hamilton

Athol married **Beryl Phyllis SUTTON** in 1946 in Hamilton.<sup>5</sup> Beryl was born on 7 May 1924, died on 11 Nov 1995 in Hamilton,<sup>5</sup> at age 71, and was cremated in Hamilton Park Cemetery.<sup>8</sup> last address Trevellyn Home, Hamilton. They had 1 son and 1 daughter.

**101. Olive SKIPWORTH** (*William Philip Green*<sup>49</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 28 Jul 1905 in Auckland,<sup>5</sup> and died in 1982 at age 77.

Olive had a daughter, then married first **Angus McMASTER**, then **John Walter MIDDLEBROOK**.

**102. Adelina Leonore SKIPWORTH** (*William Philip Green*<sup>49</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 17 Jan 1908 in Auckland,<sup>5</sup> and died on 29 May 1973.<sup>5</sup>

She had a son, and later married **William MILLAR**.

**103. Rex William SKIPWORTH** (*William Philip Green*<sup>49</sup>, *Frederick Green*<sup>13</sup>, *Philip Green*<sup>6</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 12 Apr 1915 in Palmerston North, NZ<sup>5</sup> and died on 24 Jun 1983 in Tuakau, NZ<sup>5</sup> at age 68.

1927 Admitted to Hataitai school; served 2nd NZEF 514220

Rex married **Noreen Emily HESP** in 1939,<sup>5</sup> they divorced in 1976. Noreen was born on 12 Sep 1911 and died in 1992<sup>5</sup> at age 81. They had 2 sons, 2 daughters, also a stillborn infant.

**112. Ernest George SKIPWORTH** (*Ernest*<sup>71</sup>, *George Henry*<sup>24</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1902 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup> He died on 20 Oct 1959 in Portsmouth Hospital.

- 1911: age 8 at home with grandfather and aunt Bessie Billericay RD
- 1939: Ernest G Skipworth living at Orpington, Kent with Irene M Skipworth (b 1903)<sup>12</sup> also another person whose record is officially closed (likely to be their daughter)
- 1959: of 101 Wych Lane, Bridgemary, Gosport Hampshire, effects £1796 to widow Irene

Ernest married **Irene May ROWE** in 1926 in West Ham RD.

They had twin daughters **Primrose Jessie SKIPWORTH** and **Rosemary V SKIPWORTH** born in 1930 in West Ham RD, but Primrose did not survive. Rosemary married **John R HANKIN** in 1956 and it is probably their children who inherited a half share of Thomas George's (#115) estate in 1987.

**113. Jessie SKIPWORTH** (*Ernest*<sup>71</sup>, *George Henry*<sup>24</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1904 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup>

- 1911: age 6 with grandfather and aunt Bessie, Billericay RD

**114. Mabel SKIPWORTH** (*Ernest*<sup>71</sup>, *George Henry*<sup>24</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1907 in Hackney RD.<sup>6</sup>

- 1911: age 4 with grandfather and aunt Bessie in Billericay RD

**115. Thomas George SKIPWORTH** (*Leslie*<sup>74</sup>, *George Henry*<sup>24</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 15 Apr 1908 in Uckfield, Sussex<sup>6</sup> and died in 1987 at age 79.

1939: of Uckfield, with Leslie, Matilda J, and Eric G Skipworth (his parents and brother)

1987: of 58 Framfield Road, Uckfield, East Sussex died 6 May 1987, probate £213,560

Provisions of Thomas's will: £4000 in small legacies to 22 individuals

£2000 to his golf club, including for maintenance of %Skipworth Brothers Trophy+

£16000 among 8 charities, several concerned with care of war victims

His music centre, writing bureau, drinks cabinet, books and pictures to selected friends

Golf trophies returned to the club

Half the residue divided between 3 nephews (surname HANKIN)

Half the residue to sister-in-law Connie for life, then to divide between 8 EVANS.

His ashes to be buried with his brother's.

From this will it seems that neither Thomas or Eric had children, and if that is correct there appear to be no living descendants of William Skipworth of Rothwell who carry the surname other than those in the New Zealand branch of the family.

Thomas married **Lily Edith Emma BISHOP** in 1940 in Uckfield RD.<sup>6</sup>

Lily was born in 1913 in Uckfield.

No death record for Lily has been found but a marriage of Lily E E Skipworth in 1949, considered with the details of Thomas's will above, suggests that this couple probably divorced.

**116. Eric Gray SKIPWORTH** (*Leslie*<sup>74</sup>, *George Henry*<sup>24</sup>, *William Green of Basildon*<sup>8</sup>, *William of Rothwell*<sup>2</sup>, *Thomas of Riby*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 15 Apr 1912 and died 21 Oct 1977 in Uckfield RD, UK.<sup>6</sup>

1939: unmarried, living with parents

1962: father's executor, with his brother, butchers

1977: Eric Gray Skipworth, 3 Regency Tce, Uckfield East Sussex, probate value £38,522.

Eric married **Constance Nellie EVANS** in 1942 in Uckfield RD.<sup>6</sup> She died on 17 Jun 1985, probate value £68,332. In 1939 Register . Constance N Skipworth (Evans) b 1903, was living in EVANS household at Uckfield, her birth family.



## ***Appendix 1: William Skipworth of Rothwell - will & court case***

Will of William Skipworth, Gentleman of Rothwell , Lincolnshire    Date 18 July 1820    PCC  
Public Record Office    Prob 11/1632 Image Reference 335

Summary: The will deals with two groups of property:

An estate at Orsett in Essex with freehold land in some of which Mrs Jane Green widow [assumed to be William's maternal grandmother] has a life interest; personal possessions and a farm at Rothwell which he rents from Lord Yarborough.

He appoints his brothers Thomas Skipworth of Cabourne, and Philip Skipworth of Laceby and his cousin George Skipworth of Mortown to be his Trustees.

He leaves the profits of the Orsett Cherry Orchard farm to his wife Sarah for the term of her natural life or widowhood provided she conducts herself with propriety to the satisfaction of his Trustees, but also acknowledges the life interest of Jane Green. This farm to be sold on Sarah's decease and divided among all his sons and daughters.

The rest of the Orsett estate to be sold up on the decease of Jane Green.

Trustees to hold proceeds - First: Pay his debts etc

Second: after the death of Jane Green to invest £1000 for the benefit of his wife Sarah, to be divided between his daughters after Sarah's death

Next: Invest all the rest and use the proceeds for the maintenance education and upbringing of all his children until 21

Daughters to receive £1000 apiece at 21

Residue (after payments of £1000 to Sarah and each of 3 daughters) to be divided equally among the three sons (named)

Sarah's £1000 to be divided among the sons on her death

All furniture chattels etc to trustees but Sarah and children have right to use for life and until 21 in case of children, without compensation for wear.

Trustees to continue the farm at Rothwell if Lord Yarborough agrees and Sarah and children to remain in the family home, with profits of farm for their maintenance

If Trustees think best to relinquish the management of the farm they should relinquish in favour of his oldest or other sons that they in their judgement think most deserving at an agreed valuation.

If none of his children survive to 21 etc to go to his 2 brothers.

Right to pay sons ahead of time to advance their placement in a trade business or profession

Right to mortgage the Essex estate after decease of Jane Green if required

One hundred pounds apiece to the trustees for their administration expenses

A guinea to each of his yearly labourers

Ten pounds to the poor of Rothwell

[bottom with details of signing omitted from my image]

Codicil to be annexed to his will dated 13<sup>th</sup> November:

He revokes the devise of the estate at Orsett to his wife Sarah for the term of her natural life or widowhood, instead giving his Trustees the power to sell the Orsett Estate at any time and from the proceeds invest £1500 for the benefit of Sarah.

After Sarah's decease all to be divided equally among sons and daughters.

Trustees given discretionary power to pay any child marrying without consent the full or part of their share, either by annual, monthly, weekly payments or otherwise.

Also now gives discretionary powers to pay an allowance to his wife should she marry again or act with impropriety [amount at the discretion of Trustees].

Signed 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 1819.

**The Times**, Monday, Jan 19, 1846, page 7, col D; Issue 19137

ROLLS COURT, WESTMINSTER,

Saturday, Jan 17, [1846]

Skipworth v. Skipworth

This was the petition of the plaintiffs, praying to set aside an award dated in November last. There was a counter-petition of the defendants in support of the award.

The petition stated the will, dated November, 1819, of William Skipworth, of Rothwell, Lincolnshire, devising his real estates to the defendants, Thomas, Philip, and George Skipworth, and their heirs, upon trust for the petitioners, the five plaintiffs, and bequeathing his monies, the tenant-right of his farm at Rothwell, and his personal estate, to his trustees to carry on the farm, and to permit his wife and children, the plaintiffs, to live in the dwelling-house. He died in December, 1819, and his will was proved by the defendants, Thomas and William Skipworth. The decree was made on March 30, 1840; it directed the Master to take an account of the rents, the profits, and the proceeds of the sale of the estates come to the hands of the trustees, the defendants, to inquire what part had been invested, to take an account of the profits made by Thomas and William Skipworth, in carrying on the farm, to inquire if any of the trust money had been lost, and what money had been invested, etc. The Master proceeded to take the accounts, but difficulties arose with respect to the profits made by the executors of the farm at Rothwell. This was referred to arbitration, in which Dudding was the umpire, and it was declared by the award that the farm ought to have yielded more gains than were accounted for by 81*l.* 14*s.* Other charges were also allowed, but vouchers having been lost a reference of all matters in dispute was by agreement of 30<sup>th</sup> August, 1845, made to Charles Pugh. This reference was begun at Market Rasen, Lincolnshire, in September, 1845, when the defendant Thomas Skipworth claimed an additional discharge for items then first brought forward as paid on account of the farming business, but Mr Daubney, the petitioners' solicitor, objected to their allowance, as having been disposed of by the former award, and proposed to examine the gentlemen who were arbitrators on that occasion. Pugh refused to hear the evidence, but had a private interview with Dudding. The petitioners' solicitor protested against this and retired, but Pugh proceeded in the reference, and gave notice, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November last, that his award was ready. By this award it was found that 1,197*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*, was due from Thomas Skipworth, that he had paid 1,000*l.*, leaving due 197*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*, and was also to pay 82*l.* 5*s.* for costs of reference. This was the award which the petitioners, the plaintiffs, prayed might be set aside.

The case was argued, and the accounts were gone into at great length, by Mr Turner and Mr Taylor for the plaintiffs; and Mr Kindersley and Mr Sidebotham for the defendants.

Lord Langdale said he had heard nothing to prevail upon him to think that the Master was not to receive fresh charges. If circumstances rendered it proper for him so to do, the Master had not the matter under his control without receiving them. The award could not stand. He would reserve the costs of both petitions until the hearing of the cause upon further directions.

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#### Footnote

In 1819 the Trustees named as Thomas, Philip and George would have been the deceased's brothers Thomas Skipworth of Cabourne, Philip Skipworth of Laceby and their cousin George Skipworth of Moortown, Sth Kelsey. By 1846 Philip of Laceby was dead, leaving two Trustees to be sued. The newspaper report seems to have put in William instead of George as the second trustee. It is possible that George's next brother William of Sth Kelsey had taken over the duties of trustee.

The case Skipworth vs Skipworth was set down on Court List Rolls Court, on the following dates: 13 Mar 1840, 23 Jan 1846, 17 Jan 1851, 13 May 1851, 22 Mar 1852, 31 Mar 1852, 1 Apr 1852, 28 Apr 1852, 20 Apr 1853, 30 Jan 1854, 5 May 1854, Jun 1854, Nov 1854, 5 Dec 1854, Jan 1855, Apr 1855, Jun 1855. It is not known on how many of these occasions the case was actually heard but the length of the list gives some idea of the protracted arguments and the expense which must have been incurred. From the reports it appears that whatever judgement was offered the losing side would appeal.

## ***Appendix 2: The Green connection***

Thomas SKIPWORTH of Riby married Ann GREEN of Little Thurrock, Essex (c1757-1783). His eldest son William's will (1819) mentions property in Orsett, Essex, in which a Jane GREEN has a life interest. Orsett is near Little Thurrock, suggesting that the property came to the Skipworths through William's mother.

William's son Philip Green SKIPWORTH married Sarah MANGHAM. Sarah was daughter of John MANGHAM (died before 1826) and Sarah GREEN, and niece of John GREEN of West Halton.

Will of John Green of West Halton 29 May 1826: to dau Ann Powle £500; to sister Sarah Mangham, widow £25 p.a. for life plus 2 beds, bedsteads, furniture necessary for bedroom and sitting room for her. Reference to bequest to Sarah and her children in his father's will. Balance to his sons John and Isaac. Under £2000. He died 21 May 1831.

1841 census West Halton Manor House Isaac Green age 50

Parish Register West Halton: Isaac, son of John and Jane GREEN, bapt 1787.

The Sarah Mangham referred to in John's will was buried aged 70+ [headstone, no date on stone] at Rothwell in a Skipworth grave with her daughter and son-in-law Philip Green Skipworth. The corresponding death registration is probably June quarter 1847 aged 77. In the 1841 census she appears to be born 1772-76 living with a Joseph and Sarah Clark family at Rothwell

I have not been able to find a relationship between Ann GREEN of Little Thurrock and John GREEN of West Halton. If they were brother and sister Philip would be marrying his father's cousin. If Ann was John's aunt Philip and Sarah would be 2nd cousins. The key may lie in John's father's will but I have not been able to establish his identity.

The Jane GREEN with a life interest in the Orsett farm could have been an unmarried sister of Ann's, or she could have been her widowed mother. She is unlikely to have been John of West Halton's wife.

The name was perpetuated frequently among descendants, sometimes spelled Greene in records.

### Appendix 3: A memory of William Green Skipworth of Dublin

I am indebted to Brian Scott, Dun Laoghaire Travel Centre, Stena Line, Dublin, who drew my attention to a service of thanksgiving for 450 years of shipping from Holyhead to Dublin, held at St Philip's Church, Temple Road, Dartry, Dublin on Sunday 10th July 2011. Brian wrote:

*The reason it is being held in St Phillip's is that the staff of what was then the LNWR in the Dublin area, now part of Stena Line, erected a stained glass window there in memory of Mr Skipworth. It was the work of a prominent artist of the time, John Bishop Early, and staff of all denominations contributed to it. It can be seen on the website [www.gloine.ie](http://www.gloine.ie) under Milltown parish. When I joined what was then British Rail at North Wall in the 60's Mr Skipworth's office was still pointed out upstairs in the station building, which is still there. He had gardens laid out around the Hotel there (long gone) and looked after his staff. In particular he kept elderly men on the payroll when they were no longer able to work - there was no pension provision for the outdoor staff at all at that time and no old-age pensions. The house they lived in on the North Circular Road belonged to the MGWR, and was amalgamated with the one next to it to form a monastery for the Irish Christian Brothers, who have now left that building. [Their former homes at] 21 Highfield Road and 20 Trafalgar Terrace are still intact.*



Entry re Skipworth memorial window from Gloine website



Group at Skipworth memorial window after the service.

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