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## NATIONAL NEWS

My wife (Marjorie Haedrich) and I are members of the fine Stukely Westcott Society. We often enjoy visiting England, at least, as often as we are able. Marjorie is originally from Iowa City, Iowa, and I am a native of Brooklyn, NY.

For some years now, we have wanted to write and report a Westcott Barton (or Westcott Farm) just a few miles away from a village called Marwood in the beautiful English countryside.

We naturally wonder if any of the other Westcott Society members are aware of this Westcott (farm) compound? We don't ever recall reading about this in the newsletter, although we could have missed one or more issues when we moved several times.

One significant (and amazing) fact is the date in history that this Westcott farm was apparently established in the early history of England. The date carved on the wood above the front door of this Westcott farm residence was 1068! This certainly goes back into history. My wife and I are not exactly sure (now) whether the date was 1060 or 1068. Before we return to England (and to this Marwood area and the Westcott farm), to take photos, etc; we would be very interested to discover if anyone else is aware of this farm and what is known about its history with regard to the Westcott (Society) families.

While there are no Westcott family members now living at this farm today, it was still an active farm, when we last visited this place. There are several buildings in this very large compound. One building is where pottery is being made and sold in a small storefront area. There is also a large central courtyard area for parking. Marjorie and I had tea, scones & jam inside the large main Westcott farm residence. The family living there were most pleasant & accommodating.

After we hear from you or any other Society members (about this Westcott Barton); we intend to return to England to take a lot of photos and search through a lot more town records. We believe that we can obtain a lot more facts about this Westcott farm in the nearby town of Marwood; perhaps at the church or the cemetery nearby, etc. Our schedule did not permit us to remain in this area very long (that day) on our first trip to this secluded area. We arrived late in the afternoon. On the next trip, we will be prepared to spend the time necessary to do a lot more research in that area.

Cordially,  
Marge and Bob Haedrich

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FROM THE LETTER BOX

From Vermont

Walter & Penni Brink are happy to announce the event of their marriage which took place on Saturday the Twentieth of May Nineteen Hundred and Ninety five, Waitsfield, Vermont.

(From the Editor) When you're touring Vermont stop in and say hello to Walter at his restaurant, Jay's, at the Mad River Shopping Center, Route 100, Waitsfield, Vermont. Walter, a graduate of the New England Culinary Institute, and former head chef at Sugar Bush Inn in Warren, Vt will serve you specialties from pizza to lobster.

From NEW MEMBER, Mary W. Turner of Florida

I believe my husband's name was inadvertently listed in the April 1995 Newsletter as descending from Stukely Westcott, it should read # 910 Mary W. Turner. I was recently accepted into DAC (Daughters of American Colonists) through Roger Williams. I will be speaking on Tracing Family History at my 50th High school reunion in Warsaw, NY Fourth of July weekend.

From Elizabeth Wilson of New Jersey

I am researching for Jesse Westcott, who appears in the 1840 census in Cornwall, New York next to a Nathan Westcott. Jesse married Juliann and had 12 children. I believe the families to be related to David M. Westcott of Goshen and his sons, including Nathan. If you have any information on Westcott's who settled in the Hudson Valley after the Revolutionary War, and Jesse and family I would appreciate hearing from you.  
One Liberty Street, G-4, Little Ferry, New Jersey, 07643.

From Patricia Rochette of Missouri

Seeking information on these families.  
Frances Ann Whitney, born 4 Sep 1837 m. abt. 1856 prob in Beloit, Rock Co., Wisconsin to Philo Ferris WESTCOTT, son of Anne SWARTHOUT and John Westcott of Otsego Co., New York. They moved abt. 1865 to Delaware Co., Iowa, where Frances died in 1872. Children married Wm. CRAFT, Haddie MCKENNA, and Irvin Thomas WILSON. Philo m. (2) to Cynthia HAMILTON of Morgan Co., Illinois, had children who married Charles SWANSON and George LINDBERG.  
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Death of Edwin D. Scollard of North Dakota

Edward Denzil Scollard died March 13, 1995. He was born 26 March, 1911 at Sharon, North Dakota child of David Glenn and Agnes ( Cowden ) Westcott. He married Audrey Ahlsen and had one child, David M. Scollard. Edwin was member # 760 of SSWDA.

Death of Ralph H. Wescott, Sr. of California

**RALPH H. WESCOTT, SR.**  
WESCOTT, RALPH H., SR., born July 11, 1913 in Englewood, New Jersey, passed into eternal rest April 7, 1995, age 81, in Newport Beach. A 10th generation American, he was a descendant of Stukely Wescott, a founder of the colony of Rhode Island in 1638. He attended New Jersey State Teachers College and served in the Army Air Force. He moved to Newport Beach after retiring from Ford Motor Co., Mahwah, New Jersey in 1971. He unselfishly devoted his time and love to his family, never missing a game or occasion involving his grandchildren. He leaves his loving wife of 47 years, Marguerite; daughters, Elizabeth Lopez and son-in-law, Peter of Newport Beach, Amanda Jane Reed and son-in-law, Jim of Newport Beach, son, Ralph H., Jr. and daughter-in-law, Ann of Roxbury Connecticut; adored grandchildren, Elizabeth and Peter Reed, Claire and Spencer Thomas Wescott. We'll miss you Poppy! Memorial April 21, 1995, 11:00 a.m. Pacific View Memorial Park, Newport Beach, Calif.

From Barlow Westcott of Colorado

I am presenting copies of the Westcott History and Genealogy, Vol. I and II to my home town library, the Gilbertsville Free Library of Gilbertsville, New York this summer. This will be in memory of my parents, Clifford J. Westcott and Francetta ( Webster ) Westcott from Ruth and me and the children.

## RESEARCH SOURCES

We thank you, Barlow, and all the others who have given precious family history and family bibles and papers to libraries all over the country. Wonderful collections have been given to local, county, state libraries as well historical societies and genealogical societies. So check these libraries when you are searching for your families. Many libraries are active in the Inter-library loan programs and are connected by computer to large collections in universities and depositories that might have just what you are looking for.

Recently I was browsing in a library and picked up a new book, Rhode Island Genealogical Register Vol. 18, published by the Rhode Island Families Association, edited by Nellie M.C. Beaman, 1995. As I opened a page to Warwick Cemetery Inscriptions collected by James N. Arnold, (original housed in the James N. Arnold Collection at the Knight Memorial Library in Providence) Westcott collateral names jumped out at me...Tillinghast, Greene, Arnold, Mattison, Bennett, Gardiner.

Another one, They Left Rhode Island, Part 39, Early Rhode Island Settlers in Oswego County, NY is abstracted from History of Oswego County, NY copied and abstracted by Dorothy Chapman, a continuing series of her works. And there was Green, Mathewson, Place other Westcott names.

One of the most helpful recent publications is the Abstracts of Pension Application Records. This is not the older book listing application numbers only, this has all the information about the family of the Revolutionary War veteran as shown on the application. Abstracted and published in easy book form. Actually several large books. Available in many local and state libraries.

If you can't find what you need locally consider ordering, on film, books housed in the Mormon (LDS) Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. They do have both of the Whitman books on film. Order through a local Mormon (LDS) Church Family History Center.

They also have the Stukely Westcott Genealogical Bulletin researched by Mr. Whitman and Rachel Wilkins Cottrell, Historian of the Society. It was issued from March 1940 quarterly through March 1949, It was filed with the Congressional Library and dozens of state and local libraries and historical associations so you may find them in your library. An extremely valuable source for corrections and additions to Whitman's work. For example the Sept. 1940 issue corrects the parents of Hannah Gardiner who married Caleb Westcott (dau. of George and Susannah Gardiner, not dau. of John and Mary) and one issue has the family of Laura Westcott who m. Joseph Battease, bringing an entire family from 1824 up to 1939, that was inadvertently omitted from Whitman Vol. II. An excellent source now available to you. Salt Lake City LDS microfilm # 1020771

J. Russell Bullock's Incidents in the Life and Times of Stukeley Westcote, a book frequently quoted in Whitman's books is also in the LDS (Mormon) library in Salt Lake. To see the whole book, on film, order from the local LDS Family history Center on microfilm # 1445919 .

Milford, Otsego County, New York, Justice of the Peace records of marriages from 1802 - 1813 is on LDS microfilm # 0003011, item 19.

The Tefft ancestry : comprising many hitherto unpublished records of descendants of John Tefft of Portsmouth, Rhode Island / compiled and edited by Rev. Charles H. W. Stocking, D.D is on LDS microfilm # 1018920, item 11.

History and Genealogy of the Ancestors and Some Descendants of Stukely Westcott, with Especial Mention of the Westcott's of Cheshire, Berkshire Co., Massachusetts and The Westcotts of Milford, Otsego Co., New York, Incorporating and extending the research of Hon. J. Russell Bullock of Bristol, Rhode Island 1932 ( Volume I ) compiled by Roscoe Whitman is LDS microfilm # 0979492, item 1.

Book of Appendices to the History and Genealogy of the Ancestors and some Descendants of Stukely Westcott, 1939, compiled by Roscoe Whitman ( Volume II ) is LDS microfilm # 0979492, item 2.

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