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New English Research on Stukely Westcott

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Robin Bush, former archivist of the Somerset Record Office, England, searching primary sources for The Mary and John Clearing House, has found reference to Stukely Westcott in 1607!!

WESTCOTT, STUKBLRY (a. 1592-1677) of Providence, RI.

Previous searches have located Stukeley Westcott at Yeovil by the time of his marriage in 1619 and the baptisms of two of his children there. Having failed to find him in Devon, Robin Bush had almost given up hope of tracing him. However, in searching the Merriott manor court books (Somerset R.O., DD/TMP, Box 6) for the William Phelps family, a 1607 reference was found to "Stukely Wescot" among a list of adolescents, in a list of inhabitants in 1619 to "Stukely Wescot and on 24 Apr. 1616 to "Stukely Westcott" making default of suit to the manor court. The Merriott Bishop's Transcripts contain the following entries for the surname Westcott:

(lost-possibly "John") son of John Wescot Bpt. 21 Jan. 1598/9 Mar. 5 Sept. 1608 William Wescot & Tamesina Luffe John son of William & Tamesine Wescot Bpt. 22 Jan. 1608/9 Blizabeth wife of Roger Westcott Bur. 26 Aug. 1636 Mar. 19 June 1637 Richard Westcott & Deonesia Willy Bpt. 3 Dec. 1637 Joanna dau. of Andree & Blionore Westcott Bur. 7 Jan. 1637/8 Robert Westcott Mar. 23 Mar. 1624x40 Robert Langdon & Agnes Westcott, widow Mar. 3 May 1640 Andrew Wescot & Blizabeth Aysh Bur. 16 Dec. 1640 Dorothea wife of Stephen Wescot

Intriguingly the rare forename "Stukeley" occurs in another contemporary Merriot family. There are three baptisms for children of Stukeley and Margaret Templeman: Peter-15 June 1606, Johanna- 20 Mar. 1607/8 & Edward- 18 July 1613. The origin of the name in Merroitt, and thus in both the Westcott and Templeman families, can probably be ascribed to Thomas Stukeley, who occurs as a trustee or agent of the lord of Merriott manor (the Marquess of Dorset) in a copy of court roll dated 17 Oct. 1548.

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At the West Country Studies Library and Devon Record Office in Exeter, Devon, Robin Bush consulted all available finding aids for Stukeley Westcott or any marriage between a Westcott and a Stukeley. He searched the Burnett Morris slip index, the Diocesan marriage licenses, Boyd's Marriage Index, the Oswin Murray and Olive Moger will transcripts, Westcott and Stukeley family library files, Inquisition Post Mortem transcripts and the Record Office Personal Names Index. Unfortunately no relevant reference was found. In the light of the IGI entry for Stukeley Westcott at Great Torrington, Devon, he searched a transcript of the registers and Bishop's Transcripts for that parish (baptisms and marriages only) for the years 1597 to 1640 but failed to find any reference to either surname.

Search for the Mary and John New Ancestral Discoveries volume 25, p.70, 103 5602-305th St. Toledo, Ohio 43611 Merriott is near Yeovil as SSWDA editor, Pauline W. Dennis, found out in her visit to England in July, 1996. The tour director, a professional genealogist Donna Holt Siemiatkoski, and local English historian, Joan Robertson had invited Robin Bush to speak to the group about his new discoveries in the West Country. When he mentioned this new record of Stukely Westcott, plans for the next day were immediately adjusted to include a visit to Merriott. We visited the ancient church of All Saints, and of course, I had to have my picture taken in front of it. It says "All Saints", "Merriott" on the gate. Look on your English map in South Somerset and find Crewkerne. Just 1 1/2 miles north you will find the village of Merriott. Not too far from Ilminster, Chard, Yeovil and Crinkley Bottom. (Britain's first TV theme park.)



Chapter News

Vermont Chapter #5 Annual Picnic was held August 11, 1996 at Lake St. Catherine State Park, Poultney, VT. There were 105 attending from 6 states. The oldest member was 90 year old, Mabel Wescott, who received a certificate of thanks for outstanding service over the 60 years since this chapter was formed. The youngest was Trevor Morrison 1 1/2. Traveling the farthest was Sharon Coltey from Georgia. Special ribbons were given to 6 members, Mabel L. Wescott, Pauline W. Dennis, Phyllis W. Reed, Sharon Coltey, Sonny Coltey, Edna J. Lewis, who participated in the first picnic in 1936 and also in this 60th one in 1996. Our chapter is proud to be hosting the National reunion in 1998.

From the Letter Box

From Edna and Paul Lewis of Connecticut

It is with sincere appreciation that we acknowledge the honor extended to us by the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants of America. We regret being absent from the 31st biennial meeting in Iowa. Mabel Wescott presented the <u>Resolution of Recognition</u> at the Vermont Chapter meeting in August at Lake St. Catherine. We were pleasantly surprized to be thus favored by our Westcott Cousins and we thank all of you.

Paul R. and Edna J. Lewis

From Ned Morris of Virginia

Joan-Harvey is being treated for melanoma of the liver with a small area also on the spine. We are thankful and very grateful that a technique has been developed to attack the liver infection. Altho our hearts have been heavy, they are filled with hope that God will answer all our prayers. Fran and I have been spending much of the past weeks in Manassas being with Tommy; "Pete" entered Washington and Lee on early acceptance.

From Malcolm Westcott of Canada

Mac and Page Westcott of Toronto announce the arrival of their second grandson on August 28, 1996. The new arrival is the son of Andrew Bell Westcott and Virginia Wai-Ping. He joins his brother, Jackson Liam, and bears the proud name of Aidan Stukely Westcott.

From Sonny Coltey of New York

Darryl and Mylene Coltey are parents of Kennedy Ann Coltey born March 11, 1996 at Glens Falls Hospital. Proud grandparents are Floid and Ann Coltey of Fort Ann, New York.

From Sharon Coltey of Georgia

Nikki, our grand-daughter, is quite a musician having played clarinet in the band/orchestra for six years and now plays saxophone, flute and keyboard. She will be the drum majorette for the marching band this year.

GENERAL MEETING - 27 July 1996 Comfort Suites, Des Moines, IA

The meeting was called to order by President Morris at 9:05 a.m. and he welcomed those attending, stating a record number of family members were gathered for the reunion.

Chaplain Seyfarth led the group in prayer, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice-president Coltey.

A motion to approve the 1994 Meeting Notes, as distributed, was voted approved.

Treasurer Evelyn Hitchcock reported for 1994-96:

Balance of funds on hand	1994 \$	4164.33
Receipts		5378.04
Total	\$	9542.37
Expenditures		3678.20
Balance July 1	996 \$	5864.17

President Morris noted that the board felt cash flow adequate for the next two years and an increase in dues not necessary.

Historian Betty Acker reported that the Society has sent money to the 1st Baptist Church, Providence, RI, each year for a memorial Easter lily. The Westcott family trip to England next year is being planned and details will appear in The Quarterly. The board authorized placing of Society documents in a secure vault.

The Quarterly - President Morris read a letter from Pauline Dennis who was unable to attend the meeting, appreciation was expressed for Pauline's dedicated work in publishing The Quarterly. 1996 mailed ave. 450. An over-all average cost of \$.59 per copy.

Genealogist Edna Lewis was unable to attend. Her report, read by President Morris, indicated Volume III of the genealogy should go to press within the year, or so. There will probably be enough data for a fourth volume. Edna asked to be relieved of the Honorary Life Membership processing; the board voted to have this turned over the the Secretary.

Registrar - Lewis Westcott reported 102 new members have joined during 1994-96. We are nearing the 1000 mark! He announced the board's action creating a junior membership for applicants under 18.

Scholarship Loan Fund, reported by President Morris as Agent, has a cash balance slightly in excess of \$2000.00. There are still two delinquent recipients, where-abouts unknown. Loans are made interest free.

Revision of the By-laws: the board voted not to undertake a review of the By-laws. However, an amendment was approved establishing a single secretarial position.

Registration record 1996 SSWDA Reunion - Iowa

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* Again, I want to list the folks who are workin make the Westcott National Reunion a success They are:

Dick & Nancy Bruckman
Curt & Val Daily
Marlin & Marilyn Perdue
Douglas & Ruth Provow
Murray & Connie Smith
Raymond & Bernice Smith
Wes & Pat Westcott
Lewis & Nancy Westcott
Tom & Audrey Williams
Jim & Helen Westcot

Des Moines, IA
Anamosa, IA
Griswold, IA
Ames, IA
Red Oak, IA
Elliott, IA
Webster City, IA
Prairie Village, KS
Lake City, IA
Cedar Rapids, IA

Warwick Memorial: concern has been expressed regarding security of the Warwick Memorial; a request will be sent to the city reguesting a wrought iron fence as protection.

Recognition Award: 1996 recipients are Paul and Edna Lewis. Future selections will be made by a Board volunteer and the Vice-president. Evelyn Hitchcock will serve for 1996-98.

1998 Reunion: the Board voted to accept the invitation of the Vermont Chapter to host the next reunion, the summer of 1998.

Nominating Committee: Chairman Marlin Perdue presented the following slate which was approved by voice vote:

President Sharon Coltey Vice-president Barlow Westcott Treasurer Evelyn Hitchcock Secretary Joan-Harvey Morris Bentson Registrar Lewis O. Westcott Betty W. Acker Historian Chaplain David Seyfarth Pauline W. Dennis THE QUARTERLY Genealogist Edna Lewis Edward Heath, Sr. NH Directors Joy Jayne Satterfield ILCA Fern Peterson

President Morris thanked the Iowa Chapter for an outstanding reunion with attendance in excess of 120 from 21 states.

The meeting adjourned for ten minutes, reconvening for the Memorial Service.

Chaplain read the following names for whom a prayer of remembrance was given:

Wilford Lucien Munn Dorothy Collins Perdue Patricia R. Westcott Edwin Denzil Scollard Ralph H. Westcott, Sr. Robert Nicholas Reed Melvin Westcott Florence M. Westcott Irene Hunter Vosseller Henry Huskins David Francis Westcott Robert Leo Kuhn Ralph Allen Gangson Frank Westcott Henry Stewart E. Westcott Harold W. Westcott Ruth Barry

LaPorte, IN Griswold, IA Portland, OR Sharon, ND Newport Beach, CA Middletown Springs, VT Iowa City, IA Landsville, PA Delaware Hudson Falls, NY Whitehall, NY Newark, OH Garden Grove, CA Illion, NY Sequim, WA Poultney, VT Danville, PA

The service was closed by Chaplain Seyfarth leading the assembly in giving The Lord's Prayer.

The Biennial Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m..

Merle Westcott Recording Secretary RECORDER

FROM THE DESK OF YOUR SOCIETY-HISTORIAN

MY HUSBAND TOOK A WONDERFUL PICTURE OF THE GROUP ON THE STEPS OF THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY MORNING FOLLOWING OUR SERVICE IN IOWA. AN 8" X 10" FULL VIEW OF THE CHURCH CAN BE MAILED TO YOU FOR \$6.73. STILL LOOKING FOR A FEW NAMES TO GO ALONG WITH THE PICTURE.

ON FRIDAY NIGHT I ANNOUNCED THAT I AM WORKING ON STORIES ABOUT THE WESTCOTT HOSIERY MILL OF DALTON, GA., WESTCOTT'S IN THE GOLD RUSH, AND THE WESTCOTT FILM CORP. OF SOUTH DAKOTA. IF ANYONE HAS INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

I HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE LDS MICROFICHE RECORDS OF THE WESTCOTT'S IN ENGLAND. FRIDAY EVENING WE HAD A GUESSING GAME ON THE FIRST NAME USED THE MOST BY THE FAMILY IN ENGLAND. GIVE UP? JOHN, 575. ELIZABETH, 360. MARY, 359. WILLIAM, 343. STUKELY, 2.ON MULTIPLE BIRTHS FOUND IN ENGLAND; 58 TWINS, 5 TRIPLETS, 3 QUADRUPLETS, AND 2 SETS OF QUINTUPLETS.

HEARD A STORY FROM MARILYN McINTYRE ABOUT HER SISTER AND HER HUSBAND, HOLLIS MOYSE, WHO TRACED THEIR FAMILIES BACK ONLY TO FIND THAT THEY ARE RELATED ELEVEN GENERATIONS BACK THROUGH THE ARNOLDS AND DAMARIS WESTCOTT.

THERE WAS SO MUCH INTEREST IN THE WESTCOTT CAR AS I WAS PREPARING THE SLIDE PROGRAM FOR THE FRIDAY EVENING PROGRAM AT THE REUNION THAT I DECIDED TO PUT THE INFORMATION INTO A PICTORIAL BOOKLET FORM SO THAT EVERYONE COULD ENJOY IT. IT CONTAINS 62 PAGES AND MANY PICTURES. IT ALSO CONTAINS AS MUCH ABOUT THAT LINE OF THE WESTCOTT FAMILY AS I COULD LOCATE IN THE EIGHT YEARS THAT CLINK AND I HAVE BEEN GATHERING INFORMATION. IT WAS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE REUNION AND CAN NOW BE PURCHASED BY MAIL.

1	BOOK,	\$22.00	PLUS	2.39	FIRST CLASS	POSTAGE	=	\$24.39
1	BOOK,	\$22.00	PLUS	1.24	BOOK RATE =			\$23.24

2 BOOKS, SAME PACKAGE, \$44.00 PLUS 3.00POSTAGE = \$47.00 2 BOOKS, SAME PACKAGE, \$44.00 PLUS 1.74 BOOK RATE = \$45.74

ENGLAND TRIP: FINAL INFORMATION WILL BE IN THE JANUARY NEWSLETTER. A PAST PRESIDENT OF OUR SOCIETY, MARLIN PERDUE OF RED OAK, IOWA HAS A TRAVEL OFFICE AND IS MAKING A TRIP TO THE DEVON SECTION OF ENGLAND THIS FALL TO FINALIZE THE TRIP PLANS. WE HAVE ABOUT 25 INTERESTED IN THE TRIP SO WE SHOULD HAVE A GREAT GROUP AND A GREAT TIME TOGETHER.

THIS IS A ONCE IN A LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY SO YOU DON'T WANT TO GET LEFT OUT!

I HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT THERE ARE ONLY 33 OF THE BOOKLET LEFT, "THE BURYING PLACE OF GOVERNOR ARNOLD". THIS BOOKLET IS OFFERED BY THE PRESERVATION SOCIETY OF NEWPORT COUNTY, RI AND WILL NOT BE REPRINTED WHEN THEY ARE GONE. \$4.00 PLUS 4.25 U.P.S. = \$8.25. ADDRESS: 215 THIRD STREET, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND 02840.

BETTY W. ACKER, 2145 RICHVALE RD, NASHPORT, OH 43830

For Sale 1919 Westcott Car

It's the red Westcott on p. 47 of my car booklet and is described as follows; 4 door touring car, all original parts with some amateur restoration. New top and upholstery was made in 1955. It runs great and has always been stored inside and covered. The asking price is \$18,000. Contact: Donna Lyons, Box 322, Newell, South Dakota 57760. Telephone: 605-456-2267.

TRISMEN — Eleanor Louise, August 2, 1902 to May 1, 1996. A native of Western New York State, she lived

in River Edge since 1944. Her early

art training was received at the Af-

bright Art Gallery in Buffalo, NY

and later at Columbia University graduating in 1927 with a degree in

Fine Arts. While there, she was a member of Phi Kappa Gamma Sororiety. After a brief study with

Norman Rockwell, she became a

textile designer with A. Sirooni Stu-

dio in New York City and later specialized in landscapes and minia-

ture oils, often exhibiting with the Hackensack Art Association. Her donations included gifts to the River Edge Boro Hall of the Old Williams Estate, a Mountain Scene to the River Edge Room at Hackensack Medical Center and a 4 x 8 foot mural of the Adirondacks to the new River Edge Municipal Building. One of her many interests

was Geneology. She became President of the Stukely Westcott De-

scendants of America. She is listed in the first volume of "Who's Who of American Women", is a charter member of the David Demarest

Chapter D.A.R., and a member of the Reformed Church of River

Edge. Her husband Ralph Demarest Trismen, a native of Staten

Island, NY passed away in 1979.

She leaves a son, Bruce and his wife, Barbara and two grandchil-

dren Heather (Mrs. Cozine) and

Jennifer, and a great grandchild Jessica Lynn, Friends may visit at

the Beaugard Funeral Home, 869

Kinderkamack Rd, River Edge, NJ on Thursday 7-9 PM, May 2, 1996.

Funeral Service at the funeral home

Friday 9 AM. Interment Moravian

Cemetery in Staten Island, NY. In lieu of flowers donations to the

River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Corp. would be appreciated.

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Eleanor Wescott Trismen was SSWDA member # 309, an early member who spent many years working for the was national president, Society. She newsletter editor, and board member. Her scrap books kept from the 1940's, include news of the Westcott's in WWII as well as weddings, newspaper features, obituaries. They are kept with other important documents by the national historian. Eleanor did extensive genealogical research on her branch of the Westcott family. She was in demand by each new generation of officers for her guidance and wisdom.

Jay - 50th

Lloyd and Julia Jay of Hudson Falls celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 28, 1996 at a dinner party held at the Great Bay Scafood Restaurant in Queensbury. The party was held in their honor by their daughter and son-in-law, Judy Ann and Mike Fish of Fort Edward, and grandchildren, Julie and Adam Fish

Lloyd Jay and Julia Flores were married on April 28, 1946 at St. Paul's Church in Hudson Falls. They were assisted by Lloyd's sister and brother-in-law, <u>Doris</u> and Bibbed Cayson 6 Compilers.

Richard Caruso of Granville.
Lloyd retired from imperial/Hercules/Ciba-Geigy in 1983 after 40 years of service. He enjoys building bird houses, picnic tables, etc. He also enjoys hunting, fishing, bowling and gardening raspheries being his specialty.

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Julia retired from Union
Bag/Arkel & Smith/ Chase Bag in
1989 after 43 years of service. She



Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jay

enjoys reading, baking and harvesting the crops from their garden. She has been a collector of Avon pieces since 1968 and displays them in cabinets made by Lloyd.

Kapp weds Williams

Christine Marie Kapp and Stephen Anthony Williams were united in marriage in the garden of Linda Berk and Thomas Bulo of Tucson, Arizona, on June 15, 1996.

The bride is the daughter of Therese A. Reynolds of Bethesda, Ohio and Frank L. Kapp of Toledo, Ohio.

The bride was assisted by Deborah Berk Williams. The groom was assisted by his brother John Kevin Williams. Deborah and Kevin reside in Phoenix, Arizona.

The groom is the son of <u>Judith</u> A. and <u>John A. Williams</u> of Granville, New York.

Christine is a 1989 graduate of Bowsher High School, Toledo, Ohio. Stephen is a 1986 graduate of Granville High School.



Stephen and Christine Williams

A reception was held by Linda Berk and Thomas Bulo in their home for family and friends.

Both the bride and groom are members of the United States Air Force, stationed at Kirtland, AFB, New Mexico.



oct '46 Paul E. Mars "Pete"

PAWLET — The funeral service for Paul E. Mars, 81, who died Sunday at the Pleasant Manor Nursing Home in Rutland following a long illness, will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Robert M. King Funeral Home, 23 Church St., Granville, N.Y. The Rev. Charles Knight and the Rev. Jane Knight will officiate. Burial will take place at the Mettowee Valley Cemetery in Pawlet.

He was born in Pawlet, Nov. 11, 1914, son of James and Ida (Sheldon) Mars.

Mr. Mars retired from J. K. Adams in Dorset.

Community Church.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Margaret (Reed) Mars; a son, Robert Wilson Mars of Middletown Springs; a daughter, Lynda Marie Gould of Bristol; a brother, Merritt Mars of Pawlet; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two nephews.

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