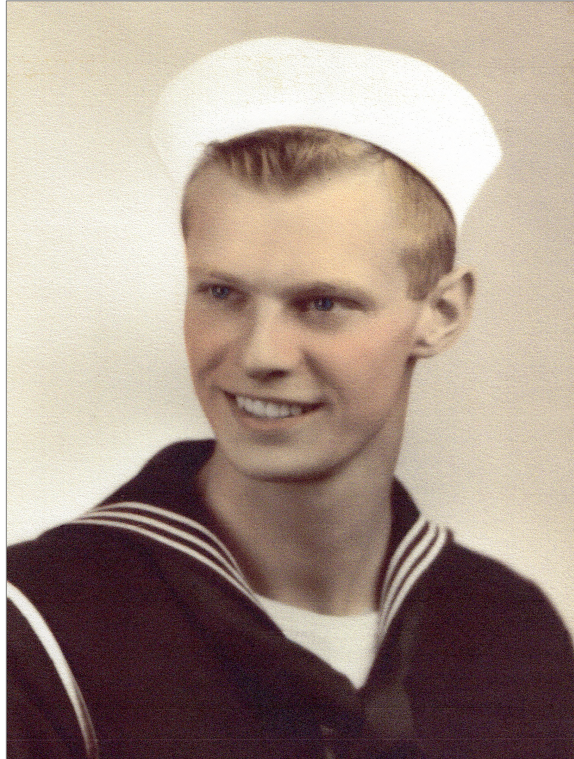


Genealogical Research Report

Ancestry of Frank Arthur Hudgik
Born August 10, 1924



Prepared by Kristen Hudgik
April 19, 2018

Research Objective

Information in this report is what is known and supported by evidence as of April 19, 2018. The goal of this research project was to trace the ancestry of Frank Arthur Hudgik, born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, in 1924. His father was Frank Stanley Hudgik, born in Sunderland, Massachusetts, in 1904. His mother was Fanny Knowles, born in Slapton, Devon, England, in 1905. In order to maximize research time, the focus was on Frank S. and Fanny Hudgik and their direct line ancestors. While collateral lines (aunts, uncles, cousins) may be mentioned, they were not fully explored. Ambiguous results are communicated with wording such as "about," "possibly," or "probably" and not cited as fact. Please also note that there are many images in this document. For the most part, these are cropped images of important documents.

Accuracy of Source Data

Names

Levels of literacy in the past meant that many people did not know how to spell their name. So at times of registering births, marriages, or deaths, the names would be recorded in the way the registrar or priest/vicar thought they should be spelled. Taking into account regional accents and pronunciations, it is not surprising that names in records are spelled in many different ways.

In this report, names are transcribed as they appear in historical records. The correct spelling, or more recent spelling, of a name is noted in brackets. For example, Nanny [Fanny] Knowles and Zopha [Sophie] Hudzik.

Ages

Ages were also sometimes recorded inaccurately.

When marrying, a person needed consent if they were under a certain age, so people often said they were older, or "of full age," so that they didn't need parents' permission.

Often people simply didn't know their exact birth date, as it wasn't particularly relevant to their lives. People didn't have calendars as they do today, and there was no money to celebrate or mark the occasion. Subsequently, people often quoted incorrect ages on official records such as the census.

If they had a very young child working, they might exaggerate that child's age to make it look like he or she was old enough to work rather than be at school.

In certain census years, ages were rounded off. For example, in the 1841 England census the ages of people over 15 years old were usually rounded down to the nearest 5 years.

Census Accuracy

While the questions in census records varied from year to year, census information generally included names of other household members, ages, birthplaces, residence, occupation, immigration and citizenship details, marriage information, military service, and more.

Most census information is reliable. Residence information on the census is especially believable because a census taker (enumerator) visited each household. But some information such as birthplace of parents may not have been known. Information may have been given to a census taker by any member of the family, or by a neighbor. Some information may have been incorrect or deliberately falsified. Immigrants may have had trouble understanding questions and communicating their answers. Enumerators may have had difficulty understanding an immigrant's accent.

Early census records contained vague instructions, and enumerators may have inaccurately interpreted their duties or census questions. The accuracy of spelling and of census information was totally at the mercy of the individual enumerator.

Paternal Ancestry

Father

• FRANK STANLEY HUDGIK (page 7) was born in Sunderland, Franklin County, Massachusetts, 21 February 1904. He died in Springfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts, 15 September 1946. He was the son of ADAM HUDZIK and MARYANNA STRZEMPKO.

Grandparents

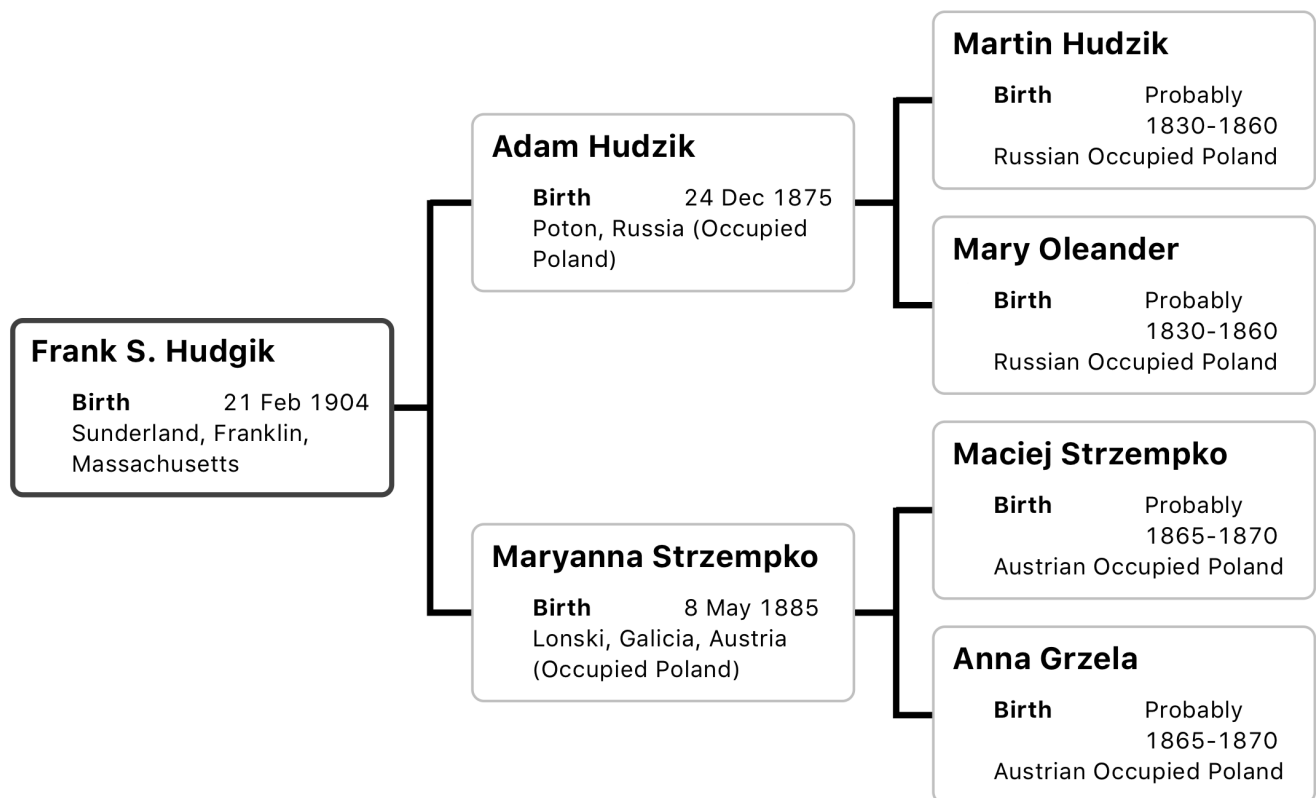
• ADAM HUDZIK (page 12) was born in Poton, Russia (occupied Poland), 24 December 1875. He died in New Jersey, 13 December 1961. He was the son of MARTIN HUDZIK and MARY OLEANDER.

• MARYANNA STRZEMPKO (page 13) was born in Lonski, Galicia, Austria (occupied Poland), 1885. She died in Newark, New Jersey, 9 April 1956. She was the daughter of MACIEJ STRZEMPKO and ANNA GRZELA.

Great Grandparents

• MARTIN HUDZIK and MARY OLEANDER (page 23) were probably born in Russian occupied Poland between 1830 and 1860.

• MACIEJ STRZEMPKO and ANNA GRZELA (page 23) were probably born in Austrian occupied Poland between 1865 and 1870.



Maternal Ancestry

Mother

- FANNY KNOWLES (page 7) was born in Slapton, County Devon, England, 31 October 1905. She died in Holyoke, Massachusetts, 23 December 1980. She was the daughter of ARTHUR ALBERT KNOWLES and FANNY COLE.

Grandparents

- ARTHUR ALBERT ERNEST KNOWLES (page 19) was born in Slapton, Devon, England, December 1862, and died there 21 December 1918. He was the son of THOMAS ELISHA COYDE KNOWLES and SARAH ANN HEXT.

- FANNY COLE (page 19) was born in Slapton, England, October 1864, and died there 31 October 1905. She was the daughter of NICHOLAS COLE and HARRIETT ROSSITER.

Great Grandparents

- THOMAS ELISHA COYDE KNOWLES (page 24) was baptized in Slapton, 12 May 1833, and died there 27 October 1887. He was the son of ROBERT KNOWLES and MARY COYDE.

- SARAH ANN HEXT (page 24) was baptized in South Pool, Devon, England, 16 October 1831. She died in Slapton in 1893. She was the daughter of THOMAS HEXT and JOANNA ADAMS.

- NICHOLAS COLE (page 27) was born in Slapton in 1847. He died in Dartmouth, Devon, in 1913. He was the son of NICHOLAS COLE and MARIA MABIN.

- HARRIETT ROSSITER (page 27) was born in Langley Marsh, Wivelscombe, Somerset, England, in 1846. She died in County Devon in 1924. She was the daughter of STEPHEN ROSSITER and ANN COURT.

2nd Great Grandparents

- ROBERT KNOWLES (page 29) was baptized in Slapton, Devon, 15 September 1805. He died there 6 February 1878. He was the son of THOMAS KNOWLES and SARAH FOALE.

- MARY COYDE (page 29) was baptized in Ashprington, Devon, 14 March 1813. She died in Slapton in 1891. She was the daughter of ELISHA COYDE and JOANNA BARRETT.

- THOMAS HEXT (page 31) was probably born in County Devon, England, about 1772. He died in South Pool, Devon, in 1832.

- JOANNA ADAMS (page 31) was baptized in South Pool, Devon, England, 7 July 1793. She died in Slapton in 1864. She was probably the daughter of THOMAS ADAMS and JOANNA MADDOCK.

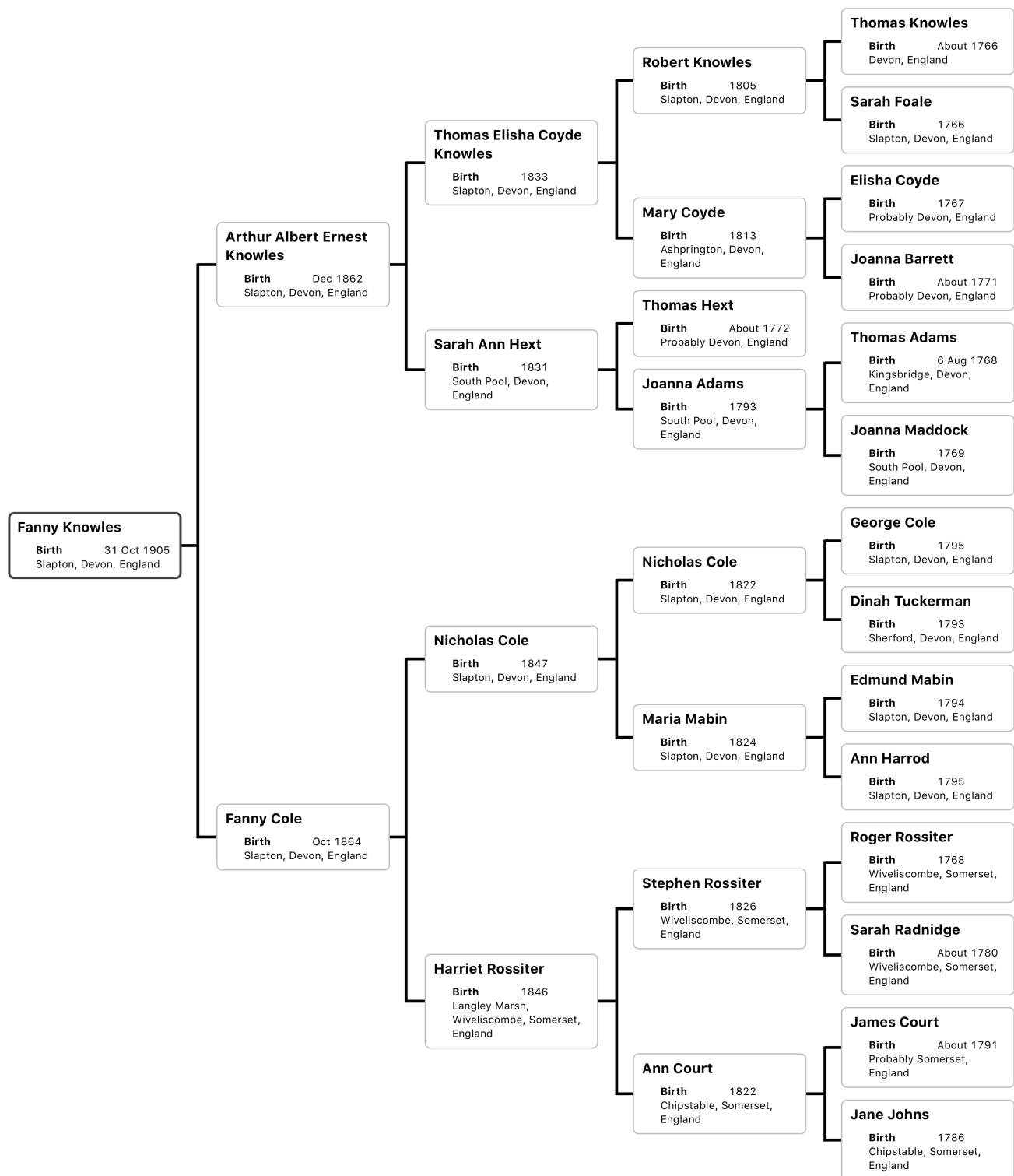
- NICHOLAS COLE (page 32) was baptized in Slapton, 30 June 1822. He died there in 1911. He was the son of GEORGE COLE and DINAH TUCKERMAN.

- MARIA MABIN (page 32) was baptized in Slapton, 11 April 1824. She died there in 1897. She was the daughter of EDMUND MABIN and ANN HARROD.

- STEPHEN ROSSITER (page 34) was baptized in Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England, 11 June 1826. He died in Stokenham, Devon, in 1874. He was the son of ROGER ROSSITER and SARAH RADNIDGE.
- ANN COURT (page 34) was baptized in Chipstable, Somerset, England, 21 April 1822. She died in Stokenham in 1889. She was probably the daughter of JAMES COURT and JANE PURCHASE.

3rd Great Grandparents

- THOMAS KNOWLES (page 36) was probably born in Slapton about 1766. He was the son of ROBERT KNOWLES and _____.
- SARAH FOALE (page 36) was baptized in Slapton, 4 February 1766. She died there in 1847. She was the daughter of HENRY FOALE and ALICE BLATCH.
- ELISHA COYDE (page 37) was probably born in County Devon about 1767. He died in Ashprington, Devon, in 1824.
- JOANNA BARRETT (page 37) was probably born in County Devon about 1771. She died in Ashprington in 1834.
- THOMAS ADAMS (page 38) was born in Kingsbridge, Devon, 6 August 1768.
- JOANNA MADDOCK (page 38) was baptized in South Pool, Devon, 9 April 1769. She was probably the daughter of DANIEL MADDOCK AND MARY GOODYEAR.
- GEORGE COLE (page 39) was baptized in Slapton, 20 December 1795. He died in 1854, probably in Slapton. He was the son of GEORGE COLE and SUSANNA HYNE.
- DINAH TUCKERMAN (page 39) was baptized in Stokenham, Devon, 3 February 1793. She died in Stoke Fleming, Devon, in 1872. She was probably the daughter of NICHOLAS TUCKERMAN and MARY _____.
- EDMUND MABIN (page 41) was baptized in Slapton, 10 August 1794. He died in County Devon in 1870. He was the illegitimate son of Mary Mabin.
- ANN HARROD (page 41) was baptized in Slapton, 18 October 1795. She died in County Devon in 1874. She was probably the daughter of THOMAS HARROD and ELIZABETH _____.
- ROGER ROSSITER (page 43) was baptized in Wiveliscombe, Somerset, 14 February 1768. He died in County Somerset in 1844. He was probably the son of ROGER ROSSITER and BETTY BLACKMORE.
- SARAH RADNIDGE (page 43) was born in Wiveliscombe, Somerset, about 1780. She died there in 1857.
- JAMES COURT (page 45) was probably born in County Somerset about 1791.
- JANE JOHNS (page 45) was born in Chipstable, Somerset, in 1786. She was the daughter of John Johns and Mary _____.



First Generation: Frank Stanley Hudgik and Fanny Knowles (Parents)

Frank Hudgik ~ Early Life

Frank Stanley Hudgik was born Frank Hudzik on 21 February 1904, in Sunderland, Franklin County, Massachusetts.¹ He was the first-born son of ethnic Polish immigrants Adam Hudzik and Maryanna Strzempko.

Feb 21	Frank Hudgik	Male	to	Adam Hudgik	Mary Strzempko
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Massachusetts Town and Vital Records, Sunderland births registered in 1904, Frank Hudzik [Hudzik]

Frank first appears in the U.S. census at age 6. In May of 1910 he was living in Sunderland, Massachusetts, and his father was a farmer. The household included Adam, 38, Mary, 26, Frank, 6, Joseph, 2, and Zopha [Sophie], 1. His father's birthplace was recorded as "Russ-Polish," and his mother's as "Aust-Polish."²

Hudgik, Adam	Head	M	38	M	8	Russ-Polish	Russ-Polish	Russ-Polish
Mary	Wife	F	26	M	8	Aust-Polish	Aust-Polish	Aust-Polish
Frank	Son	M	6	S		Massachusetts	Russ-Polish	Aust-Polish
Joseph	Son	M	2	S		Massachusetts	Russ-Polish	Aust-Polish
Zopha	Daughter	F	1	S		Massachusetts	Russ-Polish	Aust-Polish

1910 U.S. Census – Adam Hudzik Household, Sunderland

According to the 1920 census, the family was still in Sunderland and living on Amherst Road. The household included Adam, 44, Mary, 35, Frank, 15, Joseph, 12, Sophy [Sophie], 10, Walter, 8, Helen, 7, Eddie, 4, and Tessie, 2.³ (See census image page 17.)

Sometime in the early 1920s the Hudzik family moved to Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Fanny Knowles ~ Early Life

Fanny Knowles was born on 31 October 1905, in Slapton, County Devon, England.⁴ She was the seventh child of Arthur Knowles and Fanny Cole. She had three brothers, Frederick, Walter, and Charles, and three sisters, Edith, Alice, and Gladys.

Fanny's mother died on the day Fanny was born.⁵

Fanny first appears in the England census at age 5. In 1911 she was living in Slapton with her father Arthur, 48, stepmother Edith, 49, sister Alis [Alice], 12, and sister Gladys, 11. The 1911 census was the first census where the original forms were kept. The handwriting below is that of Arthur Knowles. The 1911 census was also the first to include an infirmity column to report whether a person was "totally deaf, deaf and dumb, totally blind, lunatic, imbecile, or feeble-minded." Arthur reported that his daughter Alice was feeble-minded.⁶

Arthur Knowles	Head	48	Married	*		Jobbing Gardener
Edith Knowles	Wife	49	Married	4	None	
Alis Knowles	Daughter	12				School
Gladys Knowles	Daughter	11				School
Fanny Knowles	Daughter	5				School

1911 England Census – Arthur Knowles Household

Britain entered into the First World War in August of 1914. To avoid German Zeppelin attacks, the Knowles family probably did not use lights after sunset, and they probably lived in fear of their seaside village being shelled by the German Navy. The war ended in November of 1918.

Fanny's father died on 21 December 1918.⁷ In February of 1919, Fanny's sister Edith Dewey, who was living in the U.S., applied for a passport so that she could return to England to care for Fanny, her "young orphaned sister."⁸

Fanny's oldest siblings Edith, b. 1885, Frederick, b. 1887, and Walter, b. 1889, had immigrated to the United States twenty-one years earlier in 1898.

and I desire a passport for use in visiting the countries here--

Edith Dewey

Visit to the United States

(Object of visit.)

young orphaned

(Object of visit.)

Sister (13 yrs old) to care for her

(Object of visit.)

at the port of *New York*

(Port of departure.)

about March 15

(Date of departure.)

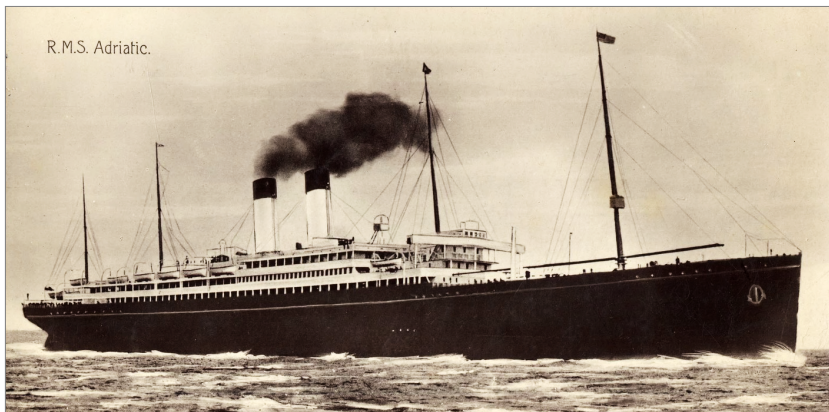
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Passport Application, Edith Geraldine (Knowles) Dewey, 1919

On 8 October 1919, Fanny left England to join her siblings in America. She departed from Southampton, England on the ship "Adriatic." She was 13 years old, and according to the passenger list she traveled alone; her aunt "Mrs. Elliot," paid her passage; she would stay with her sister Edith Dewey of 178 Chestnut Street, Holyoke, Massachusetts. Fanny arrived in New York on 17 October 1919.⁹

Knowles	Nanny	13	14	F. S.	Child	Yes	English	Yes	Brit	English	England	Slapton
Aunt Mrs. Elliot,	Slapton, Devon	Mass	Holyoke	Sister	No	No				Sister Edith Dewey (See 43/10)	178 Chestnut St. Holyoke Mass	

Passenger List, "R.M.S. Adriatic", October 17, 1919 – Nanny [Fanny] Knowles



Postcard of the Royal Mail Ship Adriatic, April 1919



Fanny Knowles, circa 1919

At the time of the 1920 U.S. census, Fanny and her brother Walter were living with their brother Frederick and his family at 321 Sargeant Street in Holyoke, Massachusetts.¹⁰

Knowles Frederick	Head	+	R	29	W	32	M	1895	al		Wife	England
Jessie	Wife			27	W	29	M	1893	al		Wife	England
Frederick S. Jr.	Son			7	M	7	S			Yes	Wife	Massachusetts
Adrian M.	Son			5	M	5	S			Yes	Wife	Massachusetts
Carl	Son			4	M	4	S					Massachusetts
Violet	Daughter			1 1/2	F	W	S					Massachusetts
Walter	Brother			20	M	W	S	1898	Ma	Yes	Wife	England
Fannie	Sister			14	F	W	S	1919	al	Yes	Wife	England

1920 U.S. Census – Frederick Knowles Household, Holyoke

Frank and Fanny ~ Life Together

Frank S. Hudzik and Fanny Knowles married on 25 February 1924. Frank was 19 years old, and Fanny was 18. Frank reported his occupation as “assistant steward.” Fanny reported her occupation as “weaver.”¹¹

According to Hudzik family oral history, Fanny thought that the name Hudzik was too common, and she told Frank that he would have to change his name. Frank and Fanny’s marriage record shows Frank’s surname as Hudzik, but this was about the time that records for Frank and Fanny started appearing with their surname recorded as Hudgik.

Frank and Fanny’s son Frank Arthur was born on 10 August 1924. Their son Ronald Earl was born on 10 March 1927.

According to the 1930 census, Frank and Fannie [Fanny] Hudgik were living at 97 Jackson Street in Holyoke with their two sons. Frank was employed as a foreman at National Blank Book Co. The household included Frank, 26, Fannie, 24, Frank, 5, and Ronald, 3.¹²

By 1933 Frank’s parents and most of his siblings had moved to New Jersey, and by 1936 Frank had a job as a Foreman in New Jersey.¹³ Fanny and their two sons moved with him to New Jersey in 1936 and stayed there until 1937 when Fanny moved back to Holyoke with their sons. In 1938 she was living at 58 Franklin Street in Holyoke.

Sometime before 1939 Fanny and Frank divorced.¹⁴



Fanny and Frank, 1924



Wilson and Fanny c. 1939

Fanny was 33 years old when she married Wilson K. Green in 1939. Wilson was 25. In April of 1940 they were living at 58 Franklin Street in Holyoke with Fanny’s two sons and a lodger. Wilson was working as an assistant manager at a grocery chain store.¹⁵

Green, Wilson K	Head	0	M	W	26	M	No	4	30	Michigan
- Ann (F)	Wife	1	F	W	34	M	No	9	9	England
Hudgik, Frank	Son	2	M	W	15	S	4	4	10	Massachusetts
- Ronald	Son	2	M	W	13	S	4	4	5	Massachusetts
Norton, William	Lodger	6	M	W	47	W	No	2	10	Pennsylvania

1940 U.S. Census – Ann [Fanny] in household of Wilson Green, Holyoke

Wilson Green died in 1940 sometime after the census was taken in April.

The United States declared war on Japan on 8 December 1941, one day after the attack on Pearl Harbor that killed 2,400 Americans. Frank and Fanny’s son Frank served in the 8th Battalion of the Navy Seabees (U.S. Naval Construction Battalions) from August 1943 to December 1945. The 8th Battalion landed on Iwo Jima 3 March 1945, during the battle for that island.

Daily life on the home front was challenging as men shipped out and families rationed food and common supplies to support the war effort. Each American family was issued a ration book that contained an allotted number of coupons to purchase staples such as coffee, sugar, meat, and canned goods.

Frank S. Hudgik fell seriously ill sometime around 1945 or 1946. Fanny took him back into her home and cared for him. He died on 15 September 1946 in Springfield. He was 44 years old.¹⁶



Frank S. Hudgik and Fanny c. 1945

In the 1940s and 1950s Fanny worked as a baseball stitcher at the Spalding factory in Chicopee, Massachusetts.¹⁷



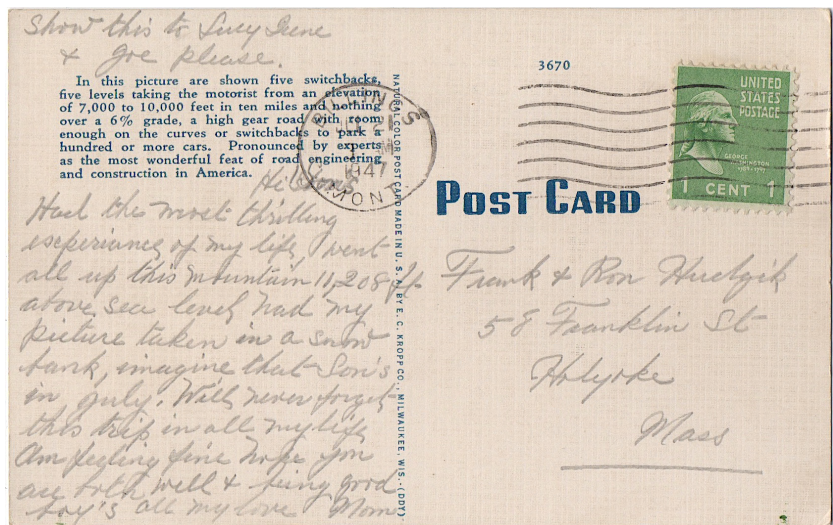
c. 1940 - The baseball production room of the A.G. Spalding factory, Chicopee, MA

Fanny married Harley Barrows about 1947.

In the summer of 1947, Fanny and Harley traveled to Montana to visit Harley's parents. Fanny sent many postcards to her sons during that trip, and according to those postcards, Fanny and Harley made stops in Chicago and Colorado.



Fanny, 1947



Postcard from Fanny to her sons, July 1947

Postcard transcription - "Hi Son's, Had the most thrilling experience of my life went all up this mountain 11,208 ft above sea level had my picture taken in a snow bank, imagine that Son's in July. Will never forget this trip in all my life. Am feeling fine hope you are both well & being good boy's all my love Mom"

In 1948 Fanny and Harley were living at 58 Franklin Street in Holyoke.¹⁸ On 25 October 1951 they divorced.¹⁹

On 18 March 1955 Fanny became a naturalized United States citizen.²⁰

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ORIGINAL
TO BE GIVEN TO
THE PERSON NATURALIZED

CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION

No. 7234914

Petition No. 37424

Personal description of holder as of date of naturalization: Date of birth October 31, 1905 sex female
complexion fair color of eyes blue color of hair brown height 5 feet 4 inches
weight 128 pounds; visible distinctive marks none
Marital status Divorced former nationality Great Britain

I certify that the description above given is true, and that the photograph affixed hereto is a likeness of me.

 *Fanny Barrows*
(Complete and true signature of holder)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Hampden

Be it known, that at a term of the Superior Court of
Hampden County
held pursuant to law at Springfield, Massachusetts
on March 18, 1955 FANNY BARROWS the Court having found that
then residing at 58 Franklin St., Holyoke, Massachusetts
intends to reside permanently in the United States (when so required by the
Naturalization Laws of the United States), had in all other respects complied with
the applicable provisions of such naturalization laws, and was entitled to be
admitted to citizenship, thereupon ordered that such person be and she was
admitted as a citizen of the United States of America.

In testimony whereof the seal of the court is hereunto affixed this 18th
day of March in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and
fifty-five and of our Independence the one hundred
and seventy-ninth

Edward G. Shea
Clerk of the Superior Court.

By _____ Deputy Clerk.

Seal

It is a violation of the U.S. Code (and
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or otherwise illegally use this certificate.

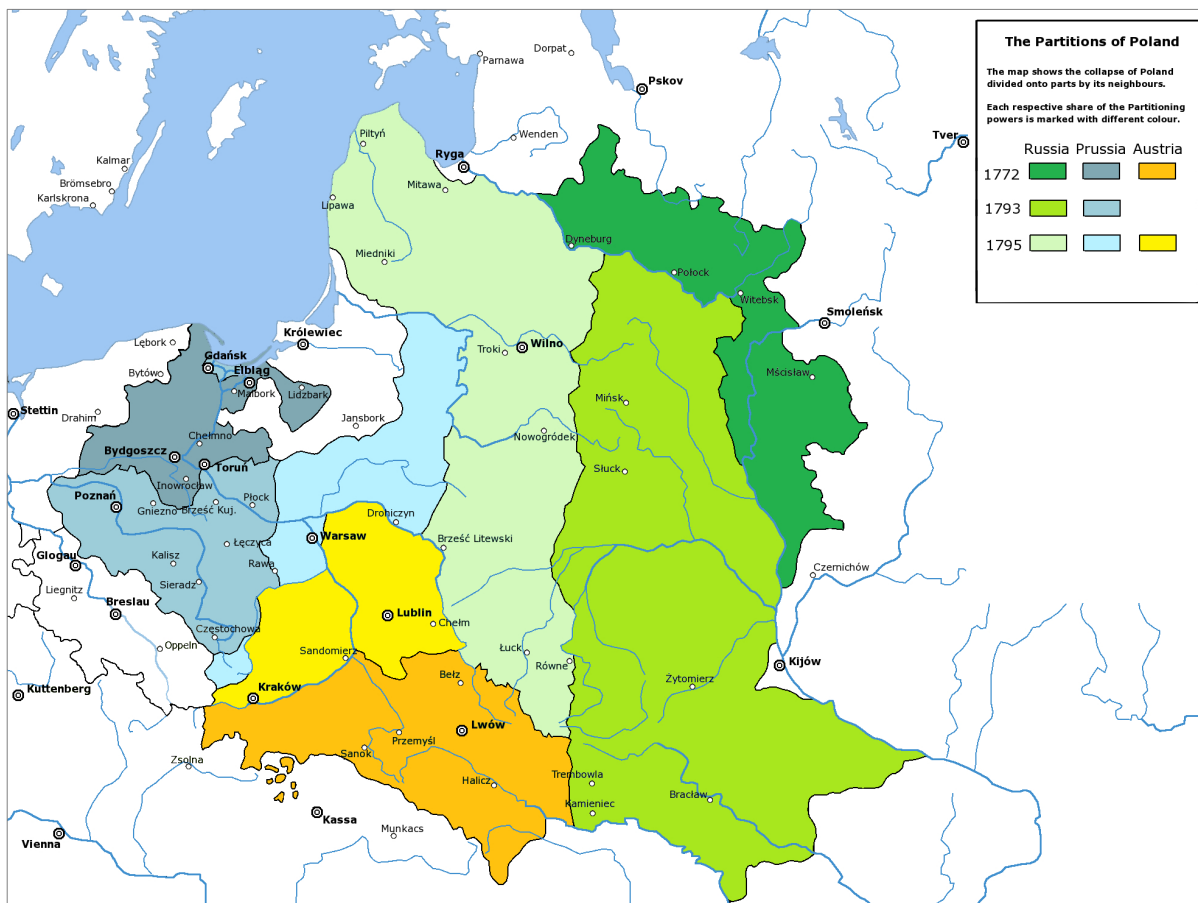
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Certificate of Naturalization – Fanny (Knowles) Barrows, 1955

Fanny (Knowles) Barrows died on 23 December 1980 in Holyoke, Massachusetts.²¹ She was 75 years old.

Second Generation: Adam Hudzik and Maryanna Strzempko (Paternal Grandparents)

From the end of the eighteenth century until 1918, Poland ceased to exist as an independent country. During that period Poland was governed by the German, Russian, and Austrian Empires. At the turn of the twentieth century, Polish immigration to the U.S. exploded. Imperial repression, land shortages, and chronic unemployment made life more and more untenable for the Poles of Europe, and as the nineteenth century waned they left for America by the thousands, then by the hundreds of thousands. U.S. documents may indicate these individuals were German, Russian, or Austrian when really they were ethnic Poles.



Adam Hudzik ~ Early Life

Adam Hudzik was born on 24 December 1875 in Poton, Russia,²² to Martin Hudzik and Mary Oleander.²³

The Russian Empire annexed a large area of Poland as illustrated by the three areas of green on the map above. Today that area consists of Ukraine, Belarus, Lithuania, Latvia and the eastern district of Podlaskie Province, Poland. Web searches for Poton in those countries have been unsuccessful, and attempts to locate Poton on historical maps have also been unsuccessful. The name of the town might have been changed, or it may no longer exist.

The Russian Empire ruled harshly, and Poles struggled against official anti-Polish oppression. After the Polish uprising of 1863, many Poles were exiled to Siberia, and many villages were burned. Russification intensified, and the Polish language was banned in public places. In the 1880s, Polish was banned in schools. Illiteracy rose as Poles refused to learn Russian. Students were beaten for resisting Russification.

Adam Hudzik was one of the ethnic Poles who emigrated at the end of the nineteenth century. On 16 March 1895 he departed Bremen, Germany, on the ship “Augusta Victoria” bound for the United States. He arrived at the port of New York on 30 March 1895.²⁴ He was 19 years old.

It is unknown if Adam had any siblings, and no record has been found of any of his family members immigrating to the U.S.

Maryanna Strzempko ~ Early Life

Maryanna Strzempko was born in 1885 in Lonski, Galicia, Austria, to Maciej Strzempko and Anna Grzela.²⁵

Galicia was a province in pre-1918 Austrian occupied Poland. It is the orange area of the map on the previous page. The area that was Galicia is today half in Poland and half in Ukraine.

Web searches for Lonski in Poland and in Ukraine have been unsuccessful, and attempts to locate Lonski on historical maps have also been unsuccessful. The name might have been changed, or the town may no longer exist.

A search for Lonski at mapa.szukacz.pl did return this result:

część wsi	(Translation)	part of the village
Łoński Dział		Lonski Department
woj. małopolskie		province. Lesser
pow. bocheński		area. bocheński
gmina Lipnica Murowana		municipality of Lipnica Murowana



“Lonski Department” could be a clue to the location of the nineteenth century town of Lonski. It would place the town in the western area of Galicia as indicated by the red arrow on the map below. Today that area is in Poland.



Map of Galicia, 1897



Funeral in Galicia by Teodor Axentowicz, 1882

Galicia in the nineteenth century was the poorest of the Austrian provinces and is considered to be the poorest province of Europe at that time. Poverty in Galicia in the late nineteenth century was extreme. There was a high rate of malnutrition and illness, and there were near constant famines resulting in tens of thousands of deaths per year. Beginning in the 1880s, a mass emigration of the Galician peasantry occurred and continued until the outbreak of the First World War in 1914. Nearly 750,000 people emigrated across the Atlantic from 1880 to 1914. Maryanna Strzempko was one of the hundreds of thousands of ethnic poles who left Galicia.

Maryanna arrived in the United States about 1900 at the age of about 15.²⁶ It is not known if she traveled alone or with family. Her parents never emigrated, but some of her siblings did. Her brother Joseph arrived in the United States in 1904. He reported his place of birth as Lonski, Galicia, Austria on his 1940 alien registration form.

Surname Spelling

In records found for the Hudzik family in the United States, Maryanna's maiden name Strzempko was often misspelled, likely because of the language barrier. Those misspellings were mainly on her children's birth records and include: Strzempek, Sciempka, Staumphthi, Simpka, Champka, and Stempka. Hudzik was sometimes recorded as Hudsek or Hujic.

Adam and Maryanna ~ Life Together

The first record found for Adam and Maryanna was their marriage record. Adam Hudzik and Maryanna Sciempka [Strzempko] were married on 23 November 1901 in Easthampton, Massachusetts. Adam was 24 years old. Maryanna was 16 but reported her age as 18.²⁷

MARRIAGES REGISTERED in the Town of <i>Easthampton</i> for the year Nineteen Hundred <i>1901</i>								
ALL NAMES TO BE GIVEN IN FULL.								
DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE.	FULL NAMES OF GROOM AND BRIDE. <small>Color, if other than white. (If the bride is a widow or divorced, give maiden name also.)</small>	AGE of each in years.	What Marriage, 1st, 2d, 3d, &c. And if widowed or divorced.	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE.	OCCUPATION OF EACH.	PLACE OF BIRTH OF EACH.	NAMES OF PARENTS OF EACH.	
							Full name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
<i>Nov 23 Easthampton</i>	<i>Adam Hudzik Maryanna Sciempka</i>	<i>24 18</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>Operative "</i>	<i>Poland Austria</i>	<i>Martin Hudzik Morcy Sciempka</i>	<i>Mary Oleander Anna Slzorka</i>

Marriage Record, Adam Hudzik and Maryanna Sciempka [Strzempko], 1901



Maryanna and Adam, Wedding Photo, 1901

According to the 1910 census, Adam and Maryanna were living in Sunderland, Massachusetts. Adam was a farmer. The household included Adam, 38, Mary, 26, son Frank, 6, son Joseph, 2, and daughter Zopha [Sophie], 1.²⁸ (See census image page 7.)

On 30 December 1911 Adam filed his declaration of intent to become a U.S. citizen. He was 36 years old, and his physical description was recorded on the declaration; color: white, complexion: light, height: 5 feet 5 inches, weight: 145 pounds, color of hair: brown, color of eyes: blue.²⁹

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DECLARATION OF INTENTION
(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof.)

Commenced at Wareham ss: In the Superior Court
of and Franklin County

I, Adam Hudzik, aged 36 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion light, height 5 feet 5 inches,
weight 145 pounds, color of hair brown, color of eyes blue,
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Polotsk Russia
on the 24th day of December, anno Domini 1875; I now reside
at Acushnet Massachusetts
(Give number, street, city or town and State.)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremer Germany
on the vessel Augusta Victoria, my last
foreign residence was Polotsk, Russia
(If the alien arrived earlier than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given.)

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Nicholas II Emperor
of all the Russias, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 30th day
of March, anno Domini 1895; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:

SO HELP ME GOD.

Adam Hudzik
(Original signature of declarant.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th
day of December, anno Domini 1911,
Clifton L. Friend
Clerk of the Superior Court.

JL 682092

Declaration of Intent, Adam Hudzik, 1911

On 30 December 1913 Adam filed his petition for naturalization, and on 25 March 1915 he became a citizen of the United States of America.³⁰ Maryanna also became a U.S. citizen on that day. Up until 1922, an immigrant woman instantly became a U.S. citizen at the moment a judge's order naturalized her immigrant husband.

In April of 1917, the United States declared war on Germany. The third Selective Service registration was held on 12 September 1918 for men ages 18 through 45. Adam was 42 years old when he registered.³¹

REGISTRATION CARD		20-1-8-C REGISTRAR'S REPORT	
SERIAL NUMBER 867	ORDER NUMBER 9-276	DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT	
1 NAME Adam Hudzik		HEIGHT Tall Medium Short 21 22 L 23	
2 PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS Sunderland Franklin Mass		BUILD Slender Medium Stout 24 25 L 26	
Age in Years 42		COLOR OF EYES Blue	
Date of Birth December 24 1875		COLOR OF HAIR Light	
RACE White		29 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he obviously physically disqualified? (Specify.)	
U. S. CITIZEN Native Born Naturalized Citizen by Father's Naturalization Before Registrant's Majority		20 I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:	
Alien Declarant Non-declarant		Date of Registration Sept 12, 1918	
PRESENT OCCUPATION Farming		EMPLOYER'S NAME For self	
18 PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS Sunderland Franklin Mass		LOCAL BOARD, DIV. #8, STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST, MASS. (STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)	
19 NEAREST RELATIVE Name Mary Hudzik (Wife) Address Sunderland Franklin Mass		(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home shall be placed in this box.)	
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE P. M. G. O. Form No. 1 (Rev. 1917)		(OVER)	

World War I Draft Registration Card, Adam Hudzik, 1918

In February of 1920, Adam and Maryanna were living on Amherst Road in Sunderland. The household included Adam, 44, Mary, 35, Frank, 15, Joseph, 12, Sophy [Sophie], 10, Walter, 8, Helen, 7, Eddie, 4, and Tessie, 2. According to the census, Adam and Mary's native language was Polish, and that was probably the primary language spoken in their home.³²

Hudsek Adam	Head	10	M	W	44	M	1875	Pa	1917	Yes	Yes	Russia	Polish
Mary	Wife		F	W	35	M	1902	Pa		Yes	Yes	Austria	Polish
Frank	Son		M	W	15	S				Yes	Yes	Massachusetts	
Joseph	Son		M	W	12	S				Yes	Yes	Massachusetts	
Sophy	Daughter		F	W	10	S				Yes	Yes	Massachusetts	
Walter	Son		M	W	8	S				Yes		Massachusetts	
Helen	Daughter		F	W	7	S				Yes		Massachusetts	
Eddie	Son		M	W	4	S						Massachusetts	
Tessie	Daughter		F	W	2	S						Massachusetts	

1920 U.S. Census – Adam Hudsek [Hudzik] Household, Sunderland

On 18 August 1920 the 19th Amendment was ratified. Maryanna may have voted in the presidential election on 2 November 1920. This was the first election in which women had the right to vote in all forty-eight states.



Sophie, Tess, Maryanna, and Helen, circa 1930

By 1925 Adam and Maryanna had moved the family to 24 N East Street in Holyoke, Massachusetts.³³ The building at that address still stands today and is a three-story brick apartment building that was built in 1910.³⁴ In 1929 the Hudziks moved to 719 Dwight Street.³⁵

In 1930 the family was still living at 719 Dwight Street, and the census household included Adam, 54, Mary, 44, Sophie, 21, Helen, 17, Edward, 14, Tessie, 12, Anthony, 10, and Stanley, 3. One of the questions on the 1930 census was "Age at first marriage." Maryanna's marriage age was reported as 16. The rent for their apartment was \$26 a month. Adam was unemployed. He had previously been working as a chipper in a machine mill. Sophie was an unemployed bindery worker. Helen was the only family member with a job at the time of the census. She was employed as a bindery worker in a paper shop.³⁶

Polish was probably still the primary language spoken in the Hudzik household. Twelve-year-old Tessie was required to answer questions in a special supplementary section of the census that year, and one of the questions was "Language spoken in home in earliest childhood." Her answer was "Polish."

Hudziki, Adam	Head	R	26	No	M	W	54
Mary	Wife-H			V	F	W	44
Sophie	Daughter			V	F	W	21
Helen	Daughter			V	F	W	17
Edward	Son			V	M	W	14
Tessie	Daughter			V	F	W	12
Anthony	Son			V	M	W	10
Stanley	Son			V	M	W	3 1/2

1930 U.S. Census, Adam Hudzik Household, Holyoke

According to Holyoke City Directories, Adam, Mary, and some of the children moved to Newark, New Jersey, about 1933.

In April of 1940 Adam and Maryanna were living at 679 South 12th Street in Newark. The census household included Adam, 65, Mary, 54, Tessie, 22, Anthony, 19, Stanley, 13, Joseph, 32, and a lodger, Stanley Jackson, 24. Adam was not employed. Tessie was employed as a salesgirl in a five and dime store; Anthony was a delivery boy for a butcher shop; and Joseph was a butcher.³⁷

Maryanna (Strzempko) Hudzik died on 9 April 1956 in New Jersey. She was 70 years old.³⁸ Adam Hudzik died on 13 December 1961 in New Jersey. He was 85 years old.³⁹



Maryanna and Adam Hudzik, date unknown

Second Generation: Arthur Albert Ernest Knowles and Fanny Cole (Maternal Grandparents)

Arthur Knowles ~ Early Life

Arthur Albert Ernest Knowles was born in December 1862 in Slapton, Devon County, England. He was the son of Thomas Elisha Coyde Knowles and Sarah Ann Hext.⁴⁰

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of <i>Slapton</i>						
in the County of <i>Devon</i> in the Year 18 <i>63</i>						
When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	Parents Name.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian.	Surname.			
1863 Jan 4 15 No. 161.	Arthur Albert	Thomas Sarah Anne	Knowles	Slapton	Shoemaker	R. Antrobus

Devon Baptisms, Arthur Albert Knowles, 1863

According to the 1871 England census, 8-year-old Arthur was living in Slapton with his father, Thomas, 37, mother, Sarah Ann, 39, sister Augusta, 15, brother Charles, 13, and brother Thomas, 10. His father was a shoemaker and local Methodist preacher.⁴¹

Thomas Knowles	Head	37	37	Shoemaker & Local Methodist Preacher	Devon Slapton
Sarah Ann Do	Wife	39	39		Devon Slapton
Augusta Do	Daughter	15	15		Devon Slapton
Charles Do	Son	13	13		Devon Slapton
Thomas Do	Son	10	10		Devon Slapton
Arthur A. Do	Son	8	8		Devon Slapton

1871 England Census – Thomas Knowles Household, Slapton

Fanny Cole ~ Early Life

Fanny Cole was born in 1864 in Slapton, England.⁴² She was the daughter of Nicholas Cole and Harriett Rossiter.

In 1871 Fanny was 6 years old and living in Brixham, Devon County, at Boohay Cottage with her father, Nicholas, 24, mother, Harriett, 25, sister Ellen, 3, and sister Rose, 1.⁴³

Nicholas Cole	Head	24	24	Laborer	Slapton Devon
Harriett Cole	Wife	25	25		Devon Slapton
Fanny Cole	Daughter	6	6		Slapton Devon
Ellen Cole	Daughter	3	3		Brixham Do
Rose Cole	Daughter	1	1		Do

1871 England Census – Nicholas Cole Household, Brixham

Arthur and Fanny ~ Life Together

By 1881 Arthur and Fanny had both left their parents' households, and both were living in Slapton. Fanny was working as a general servant for Thomas and Sarah Eales and living in the Eales household. She was the only servant in the household at that time, and life was probably very hard for her. She was 17 years old but might have started working as young as 14. Her duties would probably have included those of cook, housekeeper, and maid. Arthur was also working as a general servant and was living in the Eliza Bastard household, about seven households away from Fanny.⁴⁴

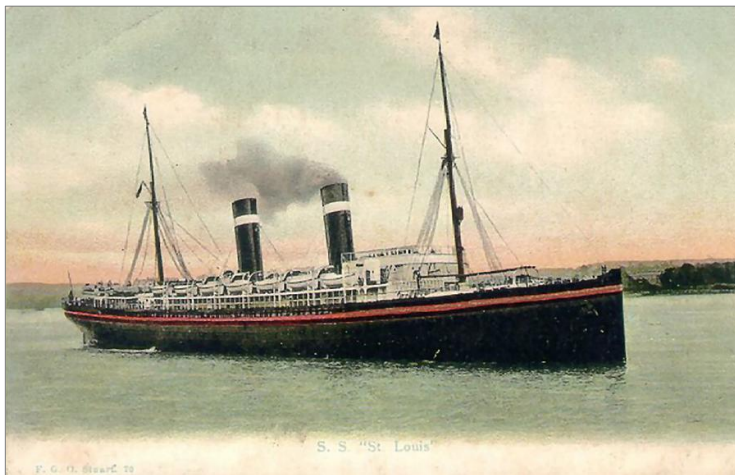
In 1885 Arthur and Fanny were married in County Devon.⁴⁵

Fanny and Arthur next appear in the 1891 England Census. They were living in Slapton with their three children, Edith, 5, Frederick, 3, and Walter, 1. Arthur was working as a thatcher, a trade he likely learned from his grandfather Robert Knowles. His widowed mother, Sarah, was living with his brother Thomas five households away.⁴⁶

Arthur Knowles	Head	M	27	Thatcher
Fanny do	Wife	M	26	
Edith G. do	Daughter		5	
Fred. G. do	Son		3	
Walter C. do	do		1	

1891 England Census – Arthur Knowles Household, Slapton

Fanny and Arthur had a fourth child, Charles, born about 1893.⁴⁷



Postcard of the S.S. St. Louis

On 26 March 1898, Arthur, Fanny, and their four children, boarded the ship “St. Louis” and departed Southampton, England, bound for the United States. They arrived in New York on 2 April 1898 with \$23 in their possession (equivalent of \$648 in 2017.) Their final destination was recorded on the passenger list as “Mrs. Elliott, 539 Canal Street, Holyoke, Mass.” Mrs. Elliott was Arthur’s sister Augusta who had immigrated to the United States in 1883. Arthur reported his occupation as “gardener.”⁴⁸

5	Arthur Knowles	34/1	m	Gardener	English	Slapton		Holyoke	Mrs. Elliott
6	Fanny	30/6	f	Wife	"	"		Mass.	"
7	Edith	11/6	f	Child	"	"		"	"
8	Fred	8/6	m	"	"	"		"	"
9	Ernest	6/5	"	"	"	"		"	"
10	Charles	4/6	"	"	"	"		"	"

Passenger List, S.S. St. Louis, 2 April 1898

Arthur and Fanny's daughter Alice was born on 2 September 1898. According to her birth record, the Knowles family was living at 12 Hamilton in Holyoke, Massachusetts. That brick apartment building still stands today. Arthur was working in a paper mill.⁴⁹

By June of 1900 the family was living at 517 Canal Street in Holyoke. Arthur was still working in a paper mill. The census household included Arthur, 36, Fanny, 34, Edith, 14, Freddie, 13, Walter, 10, Charles, 7, and Alice, 1.⁵⁰ Shortly after the 1900 census was recorded, Arthur and Fanny's daughter Gladys was born on 11 August 1900.⁵¹

Knowles Arthur	Head	w m	Dec 1863	36	m	16			England
Fannie	wife	w f	Oct 1865	34	m	16	5	5	England
Edith	daughter	w f	June 1885	14	s				England
Freddie	son	w m	Apr 1887	13	s				England
Walter	son	w m	Dec 1889	10	s				England
Charles	son	w m	June 1892	7	s				England
Alice	daughter	w f	Sept 1898	1	s				Massachusetts

1900 United States Census – Arthur Knowles Household, Holyoke

Tragedy struck on 12 January 1902 when 8-year-old Charles died from a heart infection.⁵²

Arthur traveled back to England in 1902, possibly to bury his son Charles. Although no passenger list was found for his departure from the United States, a passenger list for the ship “St. Paul” shows Arthur returning to the United States from England on 31 May 1902.⁵³

30 Arthur Knowles 39 V m s 10 10 10 England Holyoke, Mass

77 AFFIDAVIT OF THE MASTER OR COMMANDING OFFICER, OR CHIEF OR SECOND OFFICER.

I, John Bradshaw, Chief Officer of the St Paul, from SOUTHAMPTON, do solemnly swear that I have made a personal examination of each and all of the passengers, in number named on the foregoing List of St Paul, and that I have caused the Surgeon of said vessel, sailing therewith, or the Surgeon employed by the Owners thereof, to make a physical examination of each of said passengers, and that from my personal inspection and the report of said Surgeon, I believe that no one of said passengers is an idiot or insane person, or a pauper, or likely to become a public charge, or suffering from a contagious or dangerous contagious disease, or a person who has been convicted of a felony or other infamous crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, or a polygamist, or under a contract or agreement to perform labor in the United States, except such as are expressly excepted under the law. And that also, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information in said List of passengers, concerning each of said passengers named therein, is correct and true.

Witness my hand and seal this 31st day of May 1902.

John Bradshaw Chief Officer.

Consulate of the United States at SOUTHAMPTON.

Passenger List, “S.S. St. Paul”, 31 May 1902

Sometime between 1902 and 1905 Arthur and Fanny returned to Slapton with their two youngest children, Alice and Gladys. They left Edith, Frederick, and Walter in the United States.

On 31 October 1905 Fanny and Arthur's fourth daughter was born in Slapton, but tragedy struck the family again. Fanny (Cole) Knowles died during childbirth.⁵⁴ She was 41 years old. Arthur named his infant daughter Fanny.

Arthur married Edith (Hockings) Brooking on 9 February 1907.⁵⁵

1907. Marriage solemnized at <u>the Parish Church</u> in the Parish of <u>Slapton</u> in the County of <u>Devon</u>								
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father
2	February 9th 1907	Arthur Ernest Knowles	44	widower	Gardener	Slapton	Thomas Knowles (deceased)	Shopman
		Edith Annie Brooking	45	widow	—	Slapton	Joseph Hockings (deceased)	Mariner.
Married in the <u>Parish Church</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <u>Established Church</u> by <u>John White</u> or after <u>Banns</u> by me <u>Henry G. Barnett, Vicar.</u> This Marriage was solemnized between us, <u>Arthur Ernest Knowles</u> in the Presence of us, <u>Edith Annie Brooking</u> <u>John White</u> <u>Ellen Brooking</u>								

Marriage Record, Arthur Knowles and Edith Brooking

According to the 1911 England Census, Arthur, 48, was working as a jobbing gardener and living with his wife, Edith, 49, and his daughters Alice, 12, Gladys, 11, and Fanny, 5, in a six-room house in Slapton, England.⁵⁶ (See census image page 7.)

Arthur Albert Ernest Knowles died on 21 December 1918 at age 56. The cause of death was “Mitral Disease” and “Cerebral Embolism.” He was at his sister-in-law’s house in Brixham when he died. His name was enumerated on the death record as Arthur Ernest Frederick Adams Knowles. His sister-in-law, who was the informant, was possibly not sure of his given name.⁵⁷

No.	When and where died	Name and surname	Sex	Age	Occupation	Cause of death	Signature, description and residence of informant
42	Twenty First December 1918 73 Drew Street Brixham 42	Arthur Ernest Frederick Adams Knowles	male	56 Years (Domestic)	Gardener	(1) Mitral Disease (2) Cerebral Embolism Certified by R. B. Thompson M.B.	E. Hockings Sister in law Present at the Death 73 Drew Street Brixham

Certified Copy of an Entry of Death, Arthur [Albert] Knowles, 1918

Third Generation: Martin Hudzik and Mary Oleander (Paternal Great Grandparents)

Almost nothing is known of Martin Hudzik and Mary Oleander. According to census records for their son, Adam Hudzik, his parents were born in Russia and their mother tongue was Polish. Martin Hudzik and Mary Oleander were probably born in Russian-occupied Poland between 1830 and 1860.

Third Generation: Maciej Strzempko and Anna Grzela (Paternal Great Grandparents)

Almost nothing is known of Maciej Strzempko and Anna Grzela. According to census records for their daughter, Maryanna (Strzempko) Hudzik, her parents were born in Austria and their mother tongue was Polish. Maciej Strzempko and Anna Grzela were probably born in Austrian-occupied Poland between 1865 and 1870.



Anna Grzela and Maciej Strzempko (seated) date unknown
It is unclear who the other family members are.

Third Generation: Thomas Elisha Coyde Knowles and Sarah Ann Hext (Maternal Great Grandparents)

Thomas Knowles ~ Early Life

Thomas Elisha Coyde Knowles was born in Slapton, Devon, England, and baptized on 12 May 1833.⁵⁸ He was the son of Robert Knowles and Mary Coyde.⁵⁹

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of <u>Slapton</u> in the County of <u>Devon</u> in the Year 183 <u>3</u>						
When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	Parents' Name.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian.	Surname.			
1833 May 12 No. 439	Thomas Elisha Coyde Son of	Robert and Mary	Knowles	Slapton Billings	Thatcher	W. M. P. Priest Minister

Devon Bishop's Transcripts, Baptism of Thomas Elisha Coyde Knowles, 1833

According to the 1841 England census, Thomas was 8 years old and living in Slapton. The household included his father Robert, 30, mother Mary, 28, brother Robert, 5, and sister Mary, 1. Thomas's father worked as a thatcher.⁶⁰

In 1851 Thomas was working as a farm servant in the Sellek household in Colaton Raleigh, County Devon. He was 18 years old at that time.⁶¹

Sarah Hext ~ Early Life

Sarah Ann Hext was born about 1832 in South Pool, Devon, England. She was the daughter of Joanna Adams⁶² and Thomas Hext.⁶³

In 1841 Sarah was living in South Pool, County Devon, with her widowed mother, Joanna. Joanna was 45 years old, and Sarah was 8.⁶⁴ At the time of the 1851 census Sarah was still living with her mother. She was working as a dressmaker, and her mother was working as a laundress.⁶⁵

Village of South Pool	Joanna Hext	Head	Widow	56	Laundress
	Sarah Ann Hext	Daughter	16	19	Dress Maker

1851 England Census – Joanna Hext Household, South Pool

Thomas and Sarah ~ Life Together

Thomas and Sarah married in 1854.⁶⁶

In 1861 they were living in Slapton with their daughter Augusta, 5, son Charles, 3, son Thomas, 1, and Sarah's widowed mother Joanna Hicks [Hext], 67. Thomas was working as a boot and shoe maker.⁶⁷

Thomas Knowles	Head	Mar	27	+	Boot & Shoe Maker
Sarah Ann Knowles	Wife	Mar	29		
Augusta Knowles	Daughter		5		
Charles James Knowles	Son		3		
Thomas Henry Knowles	Son		1		
Joanna Hicks	Mother in law	Widow	67		

1861 England Census – Thomas Knowles Household, Slapton

Around this time there was a tragic drama unfolding for the Knowles family. In 1865 Thomas's brother Robert Henry Knowles was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to 15 years penal servitude.⁶⁸ *The Dublin Evening Post* printed the following article in August of 1865:

“MANSLAUGHTER OF A GENTLEMAN. At the Exeter assizes, Robert Henry Knowles was indicted, before Mr. Joseph Willes, for the manslaughter of John Bouchier Phillimore, at Slapton, on the 5th May. The coroner's jury had found verdict of murder against the prisoner, but the grand jury found one for manslaughter only. It appeared that Mr. Phillimore was a gentleman of good birth and education, the son of Captain Phillimore. He had for some time resided at Slapton, at Start Bay, where there was deep sea fishing. Mr. Phillimore had very bad sight, and was unable to join in the usual amusements of gentlemen, and he employed himself in the deep sea fishing, and had an interest in several fishing boats. On the 28th of April a boat, called “the Ranter,” had been out fishing, but the prisoner had not joined the crew. In the evening of that day the prisoner went to Mr. Phillimore's house. He was asked why he had not been out fishing. He said he had not chosen to do so. Mr. Phillimore told him he was no better than an idler. The prisoner used some offensive expression to Mr. Phillimore, and then struck him in the face. Mr. Phillimore returned the blow. Some of Mr. Phillimore's servants came up, and turned the prisoner out of the house. The prisoner then went towards his own house, but turned back, and a servant named Coles took up a broom, and held it so as to prevent the prisoner going towards Mr. Phillimore. The prisoner then struck at Coles, and after a struggle Coles found he had a severe cut in the leg. It was then seen that the prisoner had a knife in his hand, which he brandished about. He got towards Mr. Phillimore, and inflicted a severe cut in his leg 6 inches deep. The men tied up Mr. Phillimore's leg, and sent for a surgeon, as the blood was flowing frightfully. A surgeon came and bound up the wound, and at first everything appeared to be progressing favourably; but a change took place, and Mr. Phillimore died on the 5th of May. The effort in the cross-examination of the witnesses was to show that Mr. Phillimore was a person of violent temper and conduct, and that at the time in question there were several persons pressing round the prisoner. Mr. Cox, on behalf of the prisoner, urged that he had been set upon by several persons, and, having a knife, he had drawn it for the purpose of defending himself, or of intimidating those who were overpowering him. The jury found the prisoner guilty, and he was sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude.”⁶⁹

At Slapton, South Devon, aged 34, John Bouchier Phillimore, esq., son of the late Adm. Sir John Phillimore. The deceased had resided in Slapton for a year or two, and employed a crew, being fond of fishing. Knowles, one of the men in his service, on the 28th of April was at Mr. Phillimore's house, and on being spoken to about neglecting his work, became abusive, and struck his employer. Two men went to Mr. Phillimore's assistance, and tried to hold the assailant till a policeman was fetched. In his rage, Knowles drew a knife, cut one of the men, and wounded Mr. Phillimore so severely, that he died a week after.

Obituary of John Bouchier Phillimore, *The Gentleman's Magazine and Historical Review*, 1865⁷⁰

After serving nine years of his fifteen-year sentence, Robert Henry Knowles died in prison at the Freemantle Invalid Depot in Australia in 1874 of “exhaustion after scrofulous abscesses.”⁷¹

According to the 1871 England Census, Thomas was still working as a boot maker and also as a "Local Methodist Preacher." There was a new addition to the household; Thomas and Sarah's son Arthur was born in 1863.⁷²

Thomas Knowles	Head	Mar	47	Boot Maker & Local
Sarah Ann Do	Wife	Mar	50	Methodist Preacher
Augusta Do	Daughter	Mar	15	
Charles J Do	Son	Mar	13	
Thomas H Do	Son	Mar	10	
Arthur A Do	Son	Mar	8	

1871 England Census – Thomas Knowles Household, Slapton

In 1881 the family was still in Slapton, and the census household included Thomas, 47, Sarah, 50, Charles, 23, Thomas 20, Allan, 8, and Janet, 6. Augusta and Arthur had moved out. Thomas's mother Mary (Coyde) Knowles was living one household away with her daughter Mary Jane Rouse [Ruse], her granddaughter Julia, and her brother Richard Coyde.⁷³

Thomas Knowles	Head	Mar	47	Boot & Shoe Maker
Sarah Knowles	Wife	Mar	50	
Charles Knowles	Son	Mar	23	Shipwright
Thomas Knowles	Son	Mar	20	Thatcher
Allan Knowles	Son	Mar	8	Scholar
Janet Knowles	Daughter	Mar	6	Scholar
Mary Knowles	Head	Mar	68	
Mary Jane Rouse	Daughter	Mar	38	
Julia Rouse	Granddaughter	Mar	17	
Richard Coyde	Brother	Mar	76	

1881 England Census – Thomas Knowles Household, Slapton

Thomas Elisha Coyde Knowles died in 1887 at age 54.⁷⁴

According to the 1891 England census, Sarah was a widow living with her son Thomas five households away from her son Arthur and his family.⁷⁵

Sarah A Knowles	Head	Widow	60	Thatcher, Local Preacher	South Pool Devon
Thomas H Do	Son	Mar	30	Slapton	Do

1891 England Census – Sarah A. Knowles Household, Slapton

Sarah Ann (Hext) Knowles died in 1893 at age 63 and was buried in Slapton on 8 October.⁷⁶

Sarah Anne Knowles	Slapton Village	8 October	63 years.	A. G. Warner, Vicar.
No. 91.				

Devon Burials, Sarah Anne (Hext) Knowles, 1893

Third Generation: Nicholas Cole and Harriet Rossiter (Maternal Great Grandparents)

Nicholas Cole ~ Early Life

Nicholas Cole was born in 1847 in Slapton, Devon, England.⁷⁷ He was the son of Nicholas Cole and Maria Mabin.

In 1851, 4-year-old Nicholas was living in Slapton with his father Nicholas, 28, his mother Maria, 27, his sister Mary Ann, 5, and his brother Samuel, 2.⁷⁸

Nicholas Cole	Head	Mar	28	Ag - Lab	9 ⁵ Slapton
Maria Cole	Wife	Mar	27		9 ⁵ 9 ⁵
Mary Ann Cole	Daughter		5	Scholar	9 ⁵ 9 ⁵
Nicholas Cole	Son		4	Scholar	9 ⁵ 9 ⁵
Samuel Cole	Son		2		9 ⁵ 9 ⁵

1851 England Census – Nicholas Cole Household, Slapton

According to the 1861 census, Nicholas was living in the Paige household in Stokenham, Devon, and working as a plough boy for John Paige. Nicholas was 14 years old at that time.⁷⁹

Harriett Rossiter ~ Early Life

Harriett Rossiter was born in 1846 in Langley Marsh, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.⁸⁰ She was the daughter of Stephen Rossiter and Ann Newton Court.

In 1851 Harriet, age 5, was living in Langley Marsh, Wiveliscombe, Somerset County, with her mother, Ann, 27, half-sister Jane Court, 9, sister Fanny, 2, and infant sister Sarah, six months. Ann was married, but her husband was absent from the household at the time of the census.⁸¹

Ann Rossiter	Head	Mar
Jane Court	Daughter	
Harriet Rossiter	Daughter	
Fanny J.	Daughter	
Sarah J.	Daughter	
William Aplin	Step	Mar

1851 England Census – Ann Rossiter Household, Wiveliscombe

By 1861 Harriet had left the family and moved to Kingsbridge, Devon. She was working as servant in the John and Jane Trist household. Her age was recorded as 18, but she was 15 years old at that time.⁸²

John Trist	Head	Mar	39	Prime & Spirit Merchant	Devon Exe Buckland
Jane Trist	Wife	Mar	34		Devon Exe Exmouth
Mary Trist	Daughter	Un	5	Daughter Scholar	Devon Exe Exmouth
Elizabeth Trist	Daughter	Un	3		Devon Exe Exmouth
William Trist	Son	Un	1		Devon Exe Exmouth
Harriett Rossiter	Serv	Un	18	House Servant	Somerset Wiveliscombe

1861 England Census – Harriet Rossiter in the Trist Household, Kingsbridge

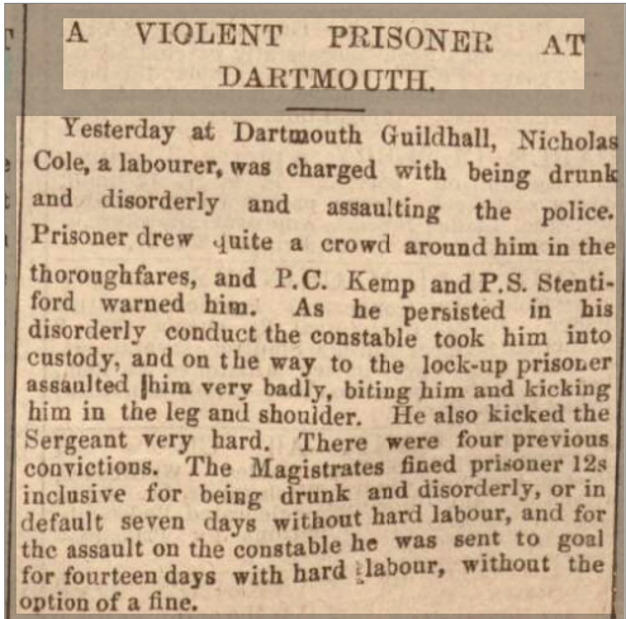
Nicholas and Harriet ~ Life Together

Harriet and Nicholas were married in 1864.⁸³

In 1871 Nicholas and Harriet were living in Brixham, Devon County. The census household included Nicholas, 24, Harriet, 25, Fanny, 6, Ellen, 3, and Rose, 1.⁸⁴

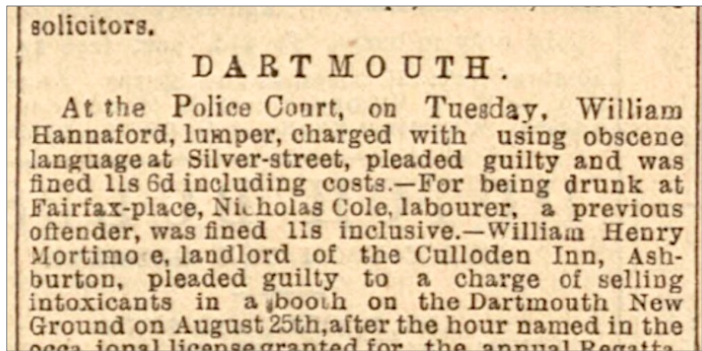
By 1881 daughters Fanny, 17, and Ellen, 14, had moved out of the household and were working as servants. Daughter Rose, 11, was still at home, now with five younger sisters, Jessie, 9, Alice, 7, twins Mary Maria and Harriet Louisa, 5, and infant Emily Maude, two months. Nicholas was working as a farm laborer.⁸⁵

In 1891 Nicholas, 45, was a patient at the Devon County Lunatic Asylum,⁸⁶ and his family was scattered across Devon County. According to the 1891 census, his wife Harriet, 45, was working as a cook in the Codner household in Torquay.⁸⁷ Daughters Fanny, 26, and Ellen, 24, were married and living with their own families. Rose, 20, Jessie, 19, and twins Harriet and Mary, 15, were living in separate households working as servants. No definitive record for Alice could be found. Emily Maude, 10, was living with her sister Ellen.



9 May 1896, The Western Times • Exeter

By 1901 Nicholas had been discharged from the Devon County Asylum and was living with his wife, Harriet, in Dartmouth, Devon County. He was working as a farm laborer again.⁸⁸ Nicholas was in trouble with the law on several occasions for being drunk and disorderly.⁸⁹



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According to the 1911 Census, Nicholas, 64, and Harriett, 65, were living in a three-room home on Crowthers Hill in Dartmouth. Three of their nine daughters had died by that time.⁹⁰

NAME AND SURNAME		RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family.	AGE (last Birthday) and SEX.		PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE.				PROFESSION of Persons aged
of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who (1) passed the night of Sunday, April 2nd, 1911, in this dwelling and was alive at midnight, or (2) arrived in this dwelling on the morning of Monday, April 3rd, not having been enumerated elsewhere. No one else must be included. (For order of entering names see Examples on back of Schedule.)		State whether "Head," or "Wife," "Son," "Daughter," or other Relative, "Visitor," "Boarder," or "Servant."	For Infants under one year state the age in months as "under one month," "one month," etc.		Write "Single," "Married," "Widower," or "Widow," opposite the names of all persons aged 15 years and upwards.	State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of:—		Personal Occupation.	
			Ages of Males.	Ages of Females.		Completed years the present Marriage has lasted.	Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7).	The reply should show the precise branch of Profession, Trade, Manufacture, &c. If engaged in any Trade or Manufacture, the particular kind of work done, and the Article made or Material worked or dealt in should be clearly indicated. (See Instructions 1 to 8 and Examples on back of Schedule.)	
1.									
1	Nicholas Cole	Head	64		Married				Labourer
2	Harriet Cole	Wife		65	Married	16	9	6	3

1911 England Census – Nicholas Cole Household, Dartmouth

Nicholas Cole died in 1913 at the age of 66.⁹¹ Harriet (Rossiter) Cole died in 1924 at the age of 78.⁹²

Fourth Generation: Robert Knowles and Mary Coyde (Maternal 2nd Great Grandparents)

Robert Knowles was born in Slapton, Devon, England, and baptized on 15 September 1805. He was the son of Thomas Knowles and Sarah Foale.⁹³

Robert Son of Thomas Knowles and Sarah
his Wife was baptized Sept. 15. 1805

Devon Baptisms – Robert Knowles, 1805

Mary Coyde was born in Ashprington, Devon, England, and baptized on 14 March 1813. She was the daughter of Elisha Coyde and Joanna Barrett.⁹⁴

14 March Mary Elisha
Daughter of Coyde Washburn Miller Ley, Rector

Devon Baptisms – Mary Coyde, 1813

Robert Knowles and Mary Coyde were married on 24 April 1832 in Ashprington, Devon.⁹⁵

Robert and Mary had at least nine children, Thomas Elisha Coyde, born 1833, Robert Henry, born 1835, Richard Coyde, born 1838, Mary Jane Coyde, born 1839, Sarah Ann, born 1842, William Charles, born 1844, Emily, born 1846, Elizabeth Alice Foale, born 1848, and Angelina, born 1850.⁹⁶

In 1841 Robert and Mary were living in Slapton Village. Robert was working as a thatcher. The census household included Robert, 35, Mary, 28, Thomas, 8, Robert, 5, and Robert's mother, Sarah Knowles, 75.⁹⁷

PLACE	HOUSES		NAMES of each Person who abode therein the preceding Night.	AGE SEX		PROFESSION, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT, or of INDEPENDENT MEANS.
	Uninhabited or Building	Inhabited		Male	Female	
Slapton Village		1	Robert Knowles	35		Thatcher
			Mary do		28	
			Thomas do	8		
			Robert do	5		
			Mary do		1	
			Sarah Knowles		75	

1841 England Census – Robert Knowles Household, Slapton Village

In 1851 the census household included Robert, 45, Mary, 38, Robert, 15, Mary, 11, Sarah, 9, Emily, 5, and Angelina, age one. Their daughter Elizabeth Alice Foale (born 1848) does not appear in the census and had probably died.⁹⁸

According to the 1861 census, Robert, 55, and Mary, 48, were living in Slapton with their daughter Mary Jane Ruse, 21, daughter Angelina, 11, granddaughter Louisa Caroline Ruse, 11 months, and William Haddy, 35, a lodger. Robert was still working as a thatcher.⁹⁹

Robert Knowles	Head	Mar	55	Thatcher	Slapton
Mary Knowles	Wife	Mar	48		Ashprington
Mary Jane Ruse	Daug	Mar	21	Seamaker	Slapton
Angelina Knowles	Daug	Un	11	Scholar	Slapton
Louisa Caroline Ruse	Gr. Daug		11 mos		Slapton
William Haddy	Lodger	Un	35	Photographer & Preacher	Blackwater

1851 England Census – Robert Knowles Household, Slapton

In 1871 the Robert Knowles household included Robert, 65, Mary, 57, daughter Emily Clarke, 26, daughter Angelina, 21, Granddaughter Julia Ruse, 7, and grandson Alfred Clarke, age one.¹⁰⁰

Robert Knowles died on 6 February 1878 and was buried in Slapton on 12 February 1878. He was 72 years old.¹⁰¹

KNOWLES Robert.

Personal Estate under £100.

10 July. The Will of Robert Knowles late of Slapton in the County of **Devon** Thatcher who died 6 February 1878 at Slapton was proved at **Exeter** by Mary Knowles of Slapton Widow the Relict one of the Executrixes.

England & Wales, National Probate Calendar – Robert Knowles, 1878

Robert Knowles	Slapton	1878 Feb. 12	72	R. Arban
No. 739.				

Devon Burials – Robert Knowles, 1878

According to the 1881 census, Mary was living in Slapton with her daughter Mary Jane Ruse, 38, her granddaughter Julia, 17, and her brother Richard Coyde, 76. (See census image page 26.)¹⁰²

In 1891 the census household included Mary Knowles, 79, Mary Jane Ruse, 55, and a visitor, Eva Batten, 13.¹⁰³

Mary (Coyde) Knowles died in 1891 and was buried in Slapton on 15 November. She was 79 years old.¹⁰⁴

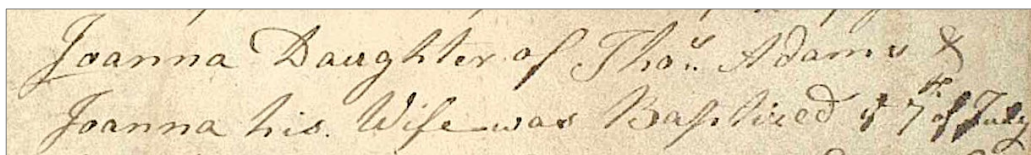
1891. Mary Knowles	Slapton Village	November 15 th	79 years.	H. G. Wain. Vicar.
No. 73				

Devon Burials – Mary (Coyde) Knowles, 1891

Fourth Generation: Thomas Hext and Joanna Adams (Maternal 2nd Great Grandparents)

Thomas Hext was born about 1772 in County Devon, England.¹⁰⁵

Joanna Adams was born in South Pool, Devon, England, and baptized on 7 July 1793. She was the daughter of Thomas Adams and Joanna Maddock.¹⁰⁶



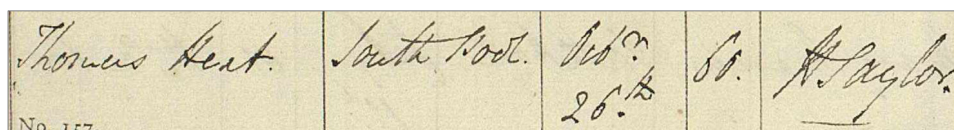
Joanna Daughter of Tho^s. Adams &
Joanna his Wife was Baptized 7th July

Devon Baptisms – Joanna Adams, 1793

Thomas Hext and Joanna Adams were married on 16 October 1814 in South Pool.¹⁰⁷

Thomas and Joanna had at least five children, Mary, born 1814, Elizabeth, born 1817, James, born 1820, Thomas, born 1824, and Sarah Ann, born 1831.

Thomas Hext died in 1832 and was buried in South Pool on 26 October. He was 60 years old.¹⁰⁸



Thomas Hext.	South Pool.	Oct ^r 26 th	60.	A. Taylor
No. 157.				

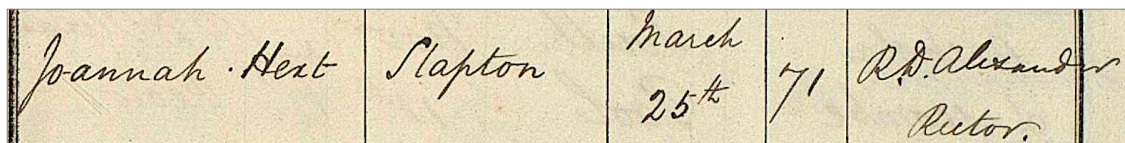
Devon Burials – Thomas Hext, 1832

According to the 1841 England census, Joanna, 45, was living in South Pool with her daughter, Sarah, age 8.¹⁰⁹

In 1851 Joanna and her daughter Sarah were still living in South Pool. According to the census, Joanna was a widow and working as a laundress. Sarah was working as a dressmaker. (See 1851 census record page 24.)

Sarah married in 1854. According to the 1861 England census, Joanna, mother-in-law and 67-year-old widow, was living with Sarah and her family in Slapton. (See 1861 census page 24.)

Joanna (Adams) Hext died on 20 March 1864 in Slapton and was buried on 25 March in South Pool. She was 71 years old.¹¹⁰



Joannah Hext	Slapton	March 25 th	71	R.D. Alexander Rector.
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Devon Burials – Joanna (Adams) Hext, 1864

Fourth Generation: Nicholas Cole and Maria Mabin (Maternal 2nd Great Grandparents)

Nicholas Cole was born in Slapton, Devon, England, and baptized on 30 June 1822. He was the son of George Cole and Dinah Tuckerman.¹¹¹

According to the 1841 England census, Nicholas had left his parents' home and was working as a servant in Slapton.¹¹²

Maria Mabin was born in Slapton and baptized on 11 April 1824. She was the daughter of Edmund Mabin and Ann Harrod.¹¹³

1824 April 11	Maria Daughter of	Edward 3 Ann	Mabin	Slapton Village	Labourer	Rev. Bradridge Minister
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Devon Baptisms – Maria Mabin, 1824

In 1841 Maria was living with her family in Slapton. Her family's home was not far from the George Cole household where Nicholas had grown up. (See census image page 42.)¹¹⁴

Nicholas Cole and Maria Mabin were married on 19 December 1844 in Slapton.¹¹⁵

1844 Marriage solemnized in the Church in the Parish of Slapton in the County of Devon								
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
28	19 Decr.	Nicholas Cole	23	Bachelor	Labourer	Slapton	George Cole	Labourer
		Maria Mabin	21	Spinster		Slapton	Edmund Mabin	Labourer
Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England by me, <i>H. J. Bowdler</i>								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		The Mark of Nicholas Cole		in the Presence of us,		William Rider		
		The Mark of Maria Mabin				Ann Mabin		

Devon Marriages – Nicholas Cole and Maria Mabin, 1844

Nicholas and Maria had at least nine children, Mary Ann, born 1845, Nicholas, born 1847, Samuel, born 1849, Ellen, born 1851, Hannah Maria, born 1853, Ann Maria, born 1858, Mary Jane, born 1862, Ambrose, born 1864, and William, born 1866.

In 1851 Nicholas and Maria were living in Slapton with their children Mary Ann, 5, Nicholas, 4, and Samuel, 2. Nicholas was a farmer. (See census image page 27.)

At the time of the 1861 census, the household included Nicholas, 38, Maria, 37, Ellen, 10, Hannah, 8, Maria, and Ann Maria, 2. Their three oldest children had moved out and were working as servants in separate Slapton households. They were only 15, 14 and 11 years old.

The 1871 census household included Nicholas, 49, Maria, 47, Ellen, 19, Mary, 9, Ambrose, 7, and William, 5. They were living in Start Cottage in Slapton.

In 1881 Nicholas, 58, and Maria, 57, were still living in Start Cottage with their son Ambrose, 17.

By 1891 all of the children had moved out and Nicholas, 68, and Maria, 67, were living in Slapton at Bold Hill No. 3.

Bold Hill No. 3	1	3	Nicholas Cole	Head	M	68		Farm Labourer
			Maria Cole	Wife	M	67		

1891 England Census – Nicholas Cole Household

Maria (Mabin) Cole died in 1897 and was buried on 25 March in Slapton. She was 72 years old.¹¹⁶

Maria Cole	Slapton	Oct ^o 24 th	72 years	H. G. Wernin Vicar
No. 134.				

Devon Burials – Maria (Mabin) Cole, 1897

At the time of the 1901 England census, Nicholas, 77, was living alone in Slapton.

By 1911 Nicholas, 85, was living with his son William's family. Nicholas was working as a fisherman's attendant at the Slapton hotel. His actual age was 88.¹¹⁷

1	William Cole	Head	45		married	25	6	4	2	Farm Labourer	140
2	Elizabeth Cole	Wife		46	married						
3	Albert Cole	Son	24		single					Horseman on Farm	130
4	William Cole	Son	22		single					Horseman on Farm	
5	Matilda Cole	Daughter		20	single						
6	Alfred Cole	Son	18		single					Horseman on Farm	
7	Nicholas Cole	Father	85		Widower					Fisherman's Attendant at Hotel	89 1/2

1911 England Census – William Cole Household

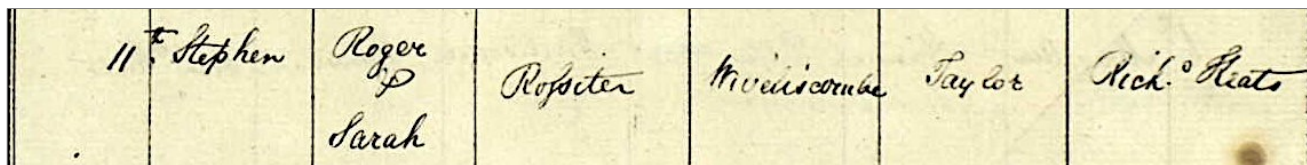
Nicholas Cole died later that year and was buried in Slapton on 12 July 1911. He was 89 years old.¹¹⁸

1911	Nicholas Cole	Slapton	July 12 th 1911	88 years	Rev. L. Boussett, Vicar of Stoke, Off. Min. certified by Hougenman G. Warner Vicar.
No. 257.					

Devon Burials – Nicholas Cole, 1911

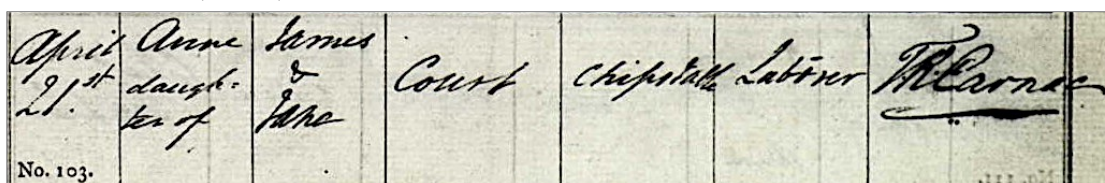
Fourth Generation: Stephen Rossiter and Ann Court (Maternal 2nd Great Grandparents)

Stephen Rossiter was born in Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England, and baptized on 11 June 1826. He was the son of Roger Rossiter and Sarah Radnidge.¹¹⁹



Somerset, England, Church of England Baptisms, 1813-1914 – Nicholas Cole, 1911

Ann Court was born in Chipstable, Somerset and baptized on 21 April 1822. She was the daughter of James Court and Jane (Johns) Purchase.¹²⁰



Somerset, England, Church of England Baptisms, 1813-1914 – Ann Court, 1822

In 1841 Ann was working as a servant in North Petherton, Somerset. She was 19 years old. She probably became pregnant while in North Petherton. Her parents were living in Huish Champflower in 1842, and Ann returned to her parents home. Her daughter Margaret Jane Edwards Court was baptized in Huish Champflower on 13 February 1842. A father's name was not recorded in the baptismal record.¹²¹

Stephen Rossiter and Ann Court were married on 17 February 1845 in Wiveliscombe, Somerset.¹²²

1845. Marriage solemnized by <u>Reverend</u> in the <u>Parish</u> of <u>Wiveliscombe</u> in the County of <u>Somerset</u>								
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
122	Feb 17 th	Stephen Rossiter	Fullage	Bachelor	Labourer	Wiveliscombe	Roger Rossiter	Tailor
		Ann Court	Fullage	Spinster	Labourer	Wiveliscombe	James Court	Labourer
Married in the <u>Parish Church</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <u>Church of Eng^l</u> by me, <u>William C Day</u> <u>Off Min</u>								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		<u>Stephen Rossiter</u> his mark <u>Ann Court</u> her mark		in the Presence of us, <u>John Pope</u> <u>Maria Bond</u> her mark				

Somerset, England, Marriage Registers – Stephen Rossiter and Ann Court, 1845

Stephen and Ann had at least eight children, Harriet, born 1846, Fanny, born 1848, Sarah, born 1850, James, born 1853, Samuel, born 1855, William, born 1858, Mary Ann, born 1860, and Martha, born 1866.

According to the 1851 England census, Stephen was absent from the household in Langley Marsh, Wiveliscombe. He was a lodger in Bridgewater, about 20 miles away. Ann was in Langley Marsh with her daughter Jane Court, 9, and their daughters Harriet, 5, Fanny, 2, and Sarah, six months.

Sometime around 1854, Stephen and Ann moved to Stokenham Devon. The 1861 census household included Stephen, 34, Slate Quarry Man, Ann, 38, Quarry Man's Wife, Sarah, 10, James, 7, Samuel, 5, William, 3, and Mary A., nine months.

Stephen Rossiter	Head	Man	34	Slate Quarry Man
Ann Do	Wife	Mar	38	Quarry Man's Wife
Sarah Do	Daughter		10	Scholar
James Do	Son		7	Do
Samuel Do	Son		5	Do
William Do	Son		3	
Mary A. Do	Daughter			

1861 England Census – Stephen Rossiter Household, Stokenham

In 1871 Stephen was still employed as a slate quarry man, and the family was still in Stokenham. The household included Stephen, 44, Ann, 46, James, 17, William, 13, Mary Ann, 10, and Martha, 4.

Stephen Rossiter died in 1874 and was buried on 16 September in Stokenham. He age was recorded as 49 on his burial record, but he was 48 years old at that time.

Stephen Rossiter	Beeson Cellars	Sep: 16	1874	C. Pope Curate.
No. 1381.				

Devon Burials – Stephen Rossiter, 1874

According to the 1881 census, Ann, 59, was living with her son, Samuel, 25, in the village of Beesands, Stokenham.¹²³

Ann (Court) Rossiter died in 1889 and was buried in Stokenham on 5 May 1889. Her age was recorded as 62 on her burial record, but she was 67.¹²⁴

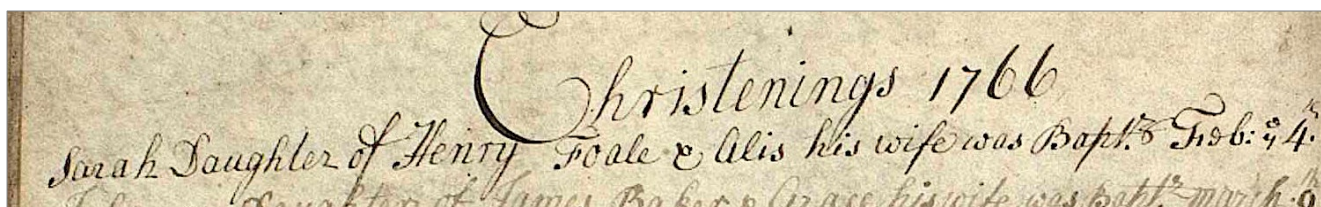
Ann Rossiter.	Beeson Cellars	May 5	62 yrs.	Conrad Hingel Vicar.
No. 139				

Devon Burials – Nicholas Cole, 1911

Fifth Generation: Thomas Knowles and Sarah Foale (Maternal 3rd Great Grandparents)

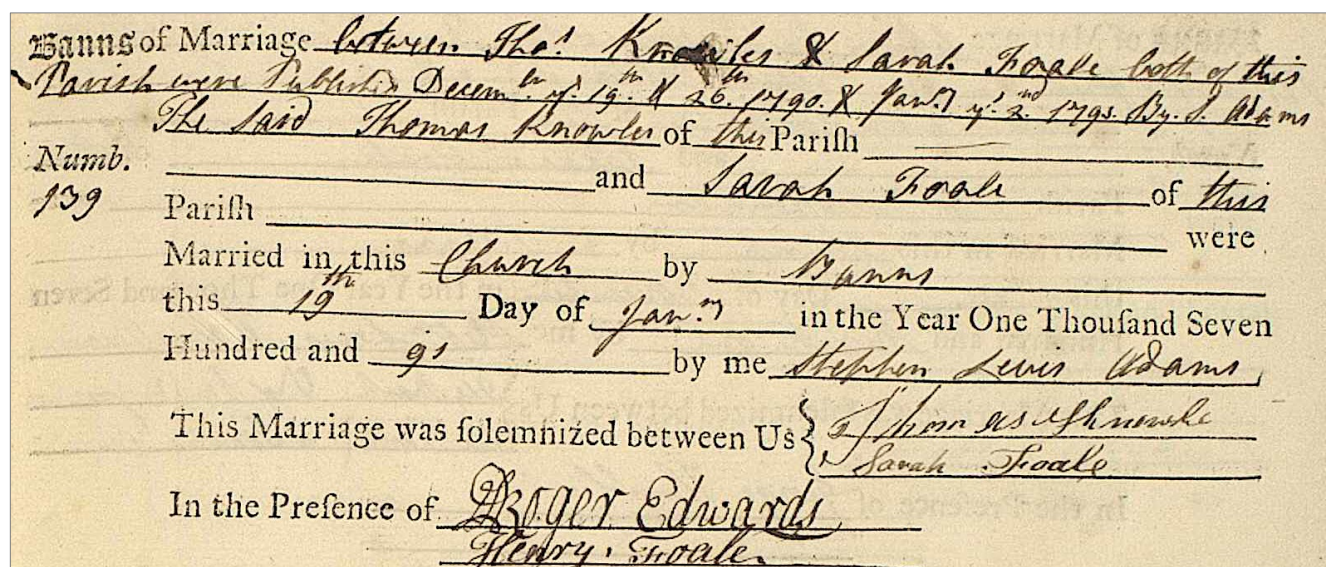
Thomas Knowles was probably born about 1766 in County Devon. He was probably the son of Robert Knowles and _____.

Sarah Foale was born in Slapton and baptized on 4 February 1766. She was the daughter of Henry Foale and Alice Blatch.¹²⁵



Devon Baptisms – Sarah Foale, 1766

Thomas Knowles and Sarah Foale were married on 19 January 1791 in Slapton.¹²⁶

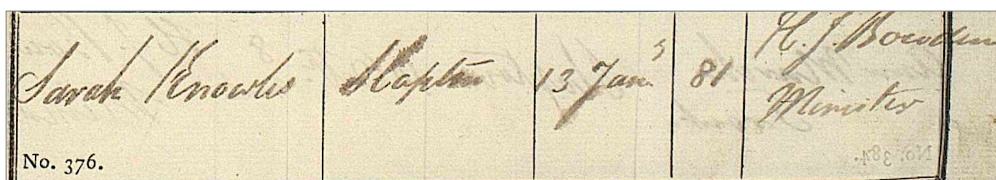


Devon Marriages – Thomas Knowles and Sarah Foale, 1791

Thomas and Sarah had at least six children, Salley, born 1791, Sarah, born 1793, Thomas, born 1798, Mary, born 1803, Robert, born 1805, and Jenny, born 1808.

Thomas Knowles died sometime before the 1841 England census was recorded. According to that census, Sarah was living in Slapton with her son Robert and his family. She was 75 years old at that time. (See census image page 29.)

Sarah (Foale) Knowles died in 1847 and was buried on 13 January in Slapton. She was 81 years old.¹²⁷



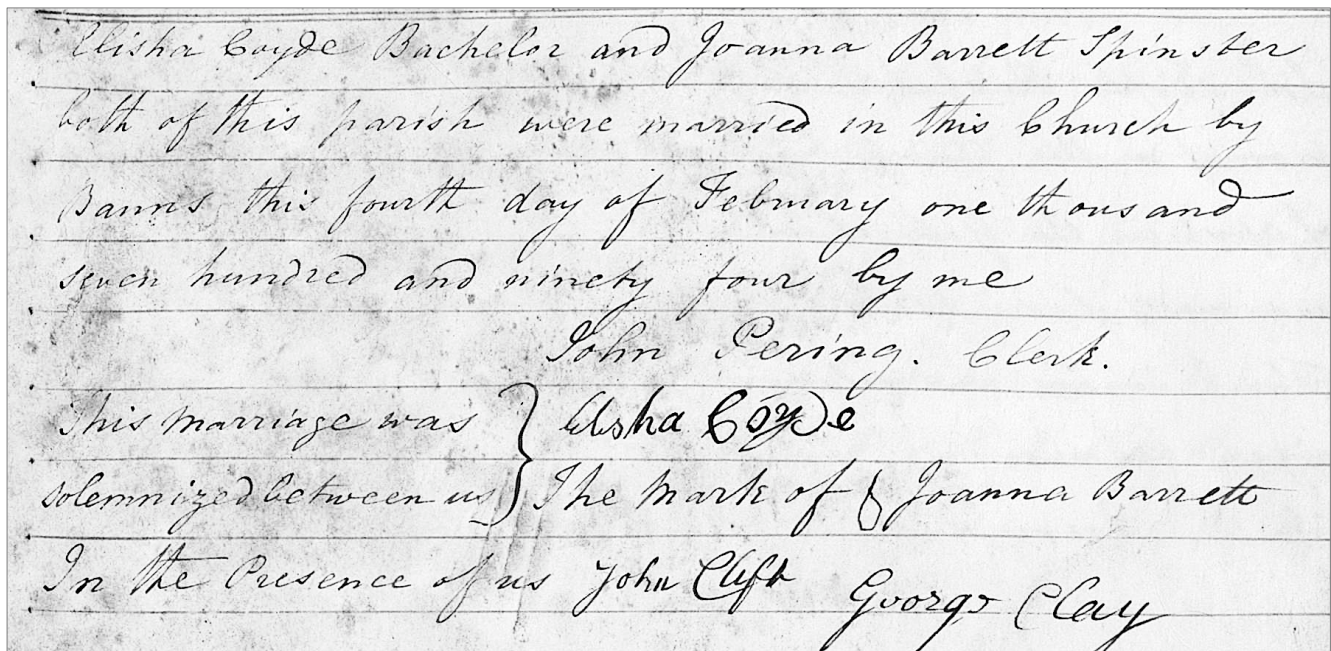
Devon Burials – Sarah (Foale) Knowles, 1847

Fifth Generation: Elisha Coyde and Joanna Barrett (Maternal 3rd Great Grandparents)

Elisha Coyde was probably born about 1767 in County Devon.¹²⁸

Joanna Barrett was probably born in County Devon.

Elisha Coyde and Joanna Barrett were married on 4 February 1794 in Harberton, Devon, England.¹²⁹

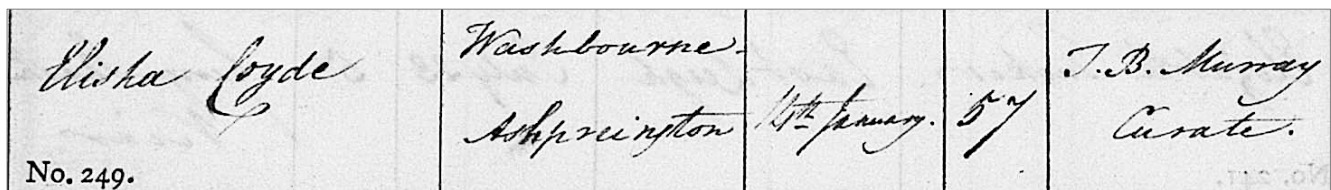


Devon Marriages – Elisha Coyde and Joanna Barrett, 1794

Elisha and Joanna had at least seven children, William Barrett, born 1797, Elisha, born 1799, Joannah, born 1802, Richard, born 1805, Elizabeth, born 1807, Mary, born 1813, and Ann, born 1817.

Elisha worked as a miller.¹³⁰ They lived for many years in Harberton and moved to Ashprington, Devon, sometime before 1813.

Elisha Coyde Knowles died in 1824 in Ashprington and was buried in Harberton on 14 January 1824. He was 57 years old.¹³¹

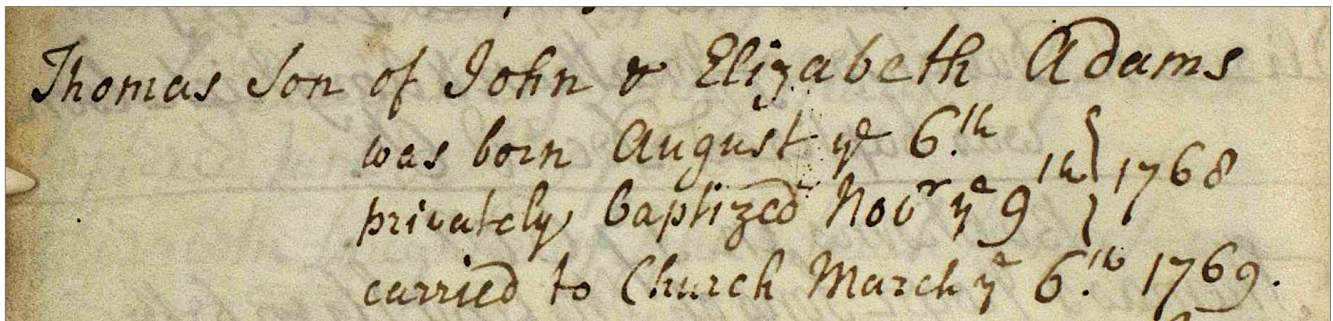


Devon Burials – Elisha Coyde, 1824

Joanna (Barrett) Coyde died in Ashprington in 1834.¹³²

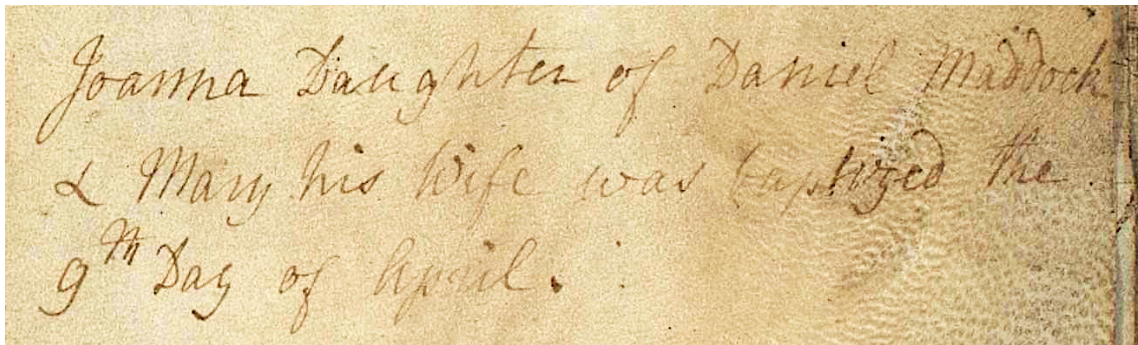
Fifth Generation: Thomas Adams and Joanna Maddock (Maternal 3rd Great Grandparents)

Thomas Adams was born on 6 August 1768 in Kingsbridge, Devon, England, and baptized on 9 November 1768. He was the son of John Adams and Elizabeth _____.¹³³



Devon Baptisms – Thomas Adams, 1768

Joanna Maddock was born in South Pool and baptized on 9 April 1769¹³⁴



Devon Baptisms – Joanna Maddock, 1769

Thomas Adams and Joanna Maddock were married on 31 May 1789 in Charleton, Devon, England.¹³⁵

The Year 1789		No 1-
Thomas Adams	of [the] Parish of South Pool	
	and Joanna Maddock	of [the]
	Parish of Charleton / Sojourners	were
Married in this [Church] by [Panns]		
this thirteenth	Day of June	in the Year One Thousand seven Hundred
and eighty nine	by me	Charles Richard [Clerk.]
This Marriage was	Thomas Adams	
solemnized between Us	Joanna Maddock.	
In the	William Rogers	
Presence of	William Southwood	

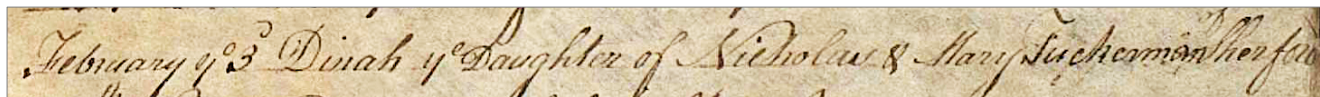
Devon Marriages – Thomas Adams and Joanna Maddock, 1789

Thomas and Joanna had at least one daughter, Joanna, born 1793 in South Pool, Devon.

Fifth Generation: George Cole and Dinah Tuckerman (Maternal 3rd Great Grandparents)

George Cole was born in Slapton and baptized on 20 December 1795. He was the son of George Cole and Susanna Hyne.¹³⁶

Dinah Tuckerman was born in Sherford, Devon, and baptized in Stokenham on 3 February 1793. She was the daughter of Nicholas Tuckerman and Mary _____.¹³⁷



Devon Baptisms – Dinah Tuckerman, 1793

George Cole and Dinah Tuckerman were married on 29 July 1816 in Slapton.¹³⁸

George Coal ✓ of this Parish
Bachelor
and Dianna Tuckerman of this Parish
Spinster
were married in this Church by Banns with Consent of
this 29th Day of
July in the Year One thousand eight hundred and Eighteen
By me Hen. Bradridge Minister
This Marriage was solemnized between us { The mark of George Coal
The mark of Dianna Tuckerman
In the Presence of { The mark of Nicholas Tuckerman
George Hamblin
No. 23.

Devon Marriages – George Coal [Cole] and Dianna [Dinah] Tuckerman, 1816

George and Dinah had at least eight children, Dianna, born 1816, George, born 1820, Nicholas, born, 1822, Hannah Tuckerman, born 1825, Elizabeth, born 1827, Harriet, born 1830, Susan, born 1832, James, born 1835.

According to the 1841 England census, George worked as a limeburner. Limeburners burned limestone in kilns to produce quicklime. The family was living in Slapton, and the household included George, 45, Dinah, 40, George, 24, Elizabeth, 14, and James, 6.

Slapton	George Cole	45	Limeburner
Dinah	Dinah	40	
George	George	24	
Elizabeth	Elizabeth	14	
James	James	6	

1841 England Census – George Cole Household, Slapton

George and Dinah were living in Slapton in 1851, and George was still working as a limeburner. The household included George, 55, Diannah [Dinah], 57, son James, 16, and grandson William Steer, 4.

109	George Cole	Head	Mr	55	Lime Burner &
Slapton (Slapton)	Diannah Cole	Wife	Wife	57	
	James Cole	Son	M	16	Ag. Lab.
	William H. Steer	Grand Son		4	

1851 England Census – George Cole Household, Slapton

George Cole died sometime before the 1861 census. According to that census, Dinah was a 66-year-old widow living with her son James in Slapton.

By 1871 she was a boarder in the Perring household in Stoke Flemming.¹³⁹

Dinah (Tuckerman) Cole died in Stoke Flemming and was buried in Slapton on 7 February 1872.¹⁴⁰

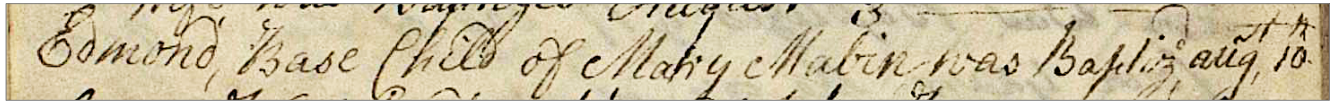
BURIALS in the Parish of <u>Slapton</u> in the County of <u>Devon</u> in the Year 18 <u>72</u>				
Name.	Abode.	When buried.	Age.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
Dinah Cole	Stoke Flemming	Feb ^y 7	80	P. Asham

No. 681.

Devon Burials – Dinah (Tuckerman) Cole, 1872

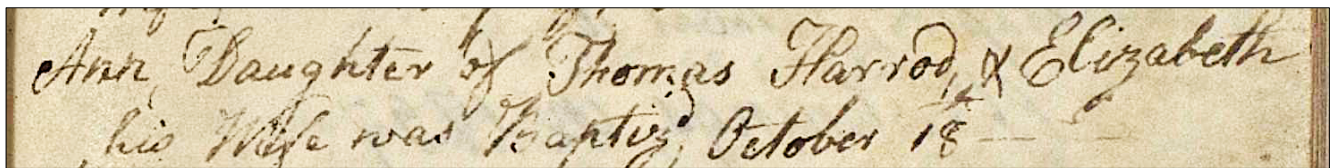
Fifth Generation: Edmund Mabin and Ann Harrod (Maternal 3rd Great Grandparents)

Edmund Mabin was born in Slapton and baptized on 10 August 1794. He was the illegitimate son of Mary Mabin.¹⁴¹



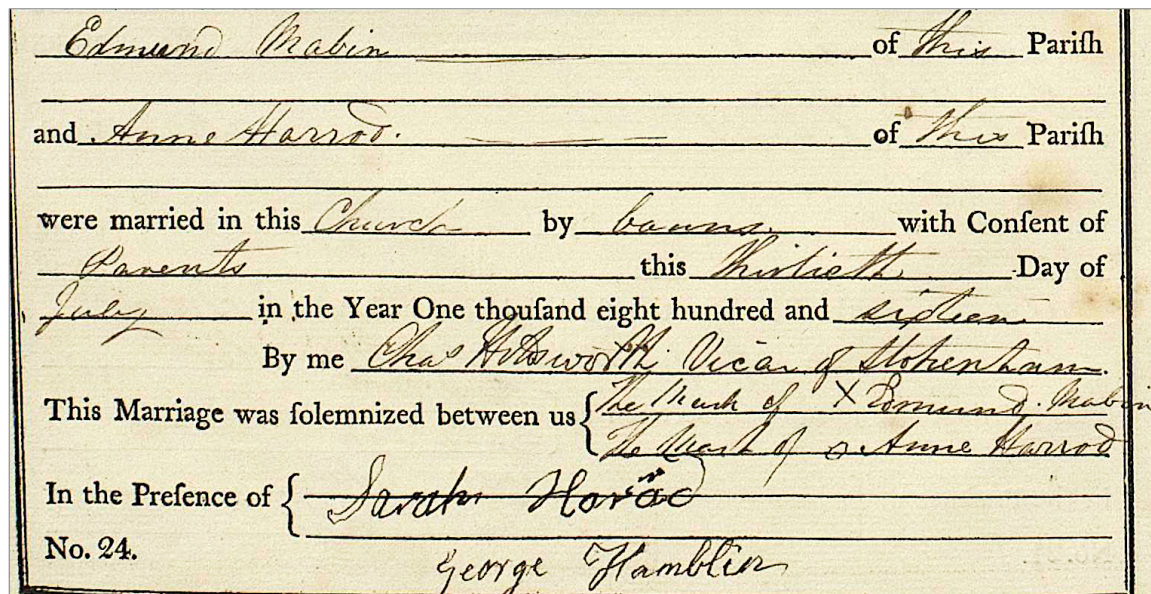
Devon Baptisms – Edmund Mabin, 1794

Ann Harrod was born in Slapton and baptized 18 October 1795. She was the daughter of Thomas Harrod and Elizabeth _____.¹⁴²



Devon Baptisms – Ann Harrod, 1795

Edmund Mabin married Ann Harrod on 30 July 1816 in Slapton.¹⁴³



Devon Marriages – Edmund Mabin and Ann Harrod

They were married the day after George Cole and Dinah Tuckerman were married. Their daughter Maria Mabin married the Cole's son Nicholas 28 years later.

Edmund and Ann had at least six children, Mary, born 1817, Ann, born 1819, Elizabeth, born 1821, Maria, born 1824, Edmund, born 1835, and Charles, born 1838.

In 1841 Edmund, 46, and Ann, 45, were living in Slapton. Edmund was a farm labourer. Three of their children lived with them, Maria, 17, Edmund, 5, and Charles, 3.

Slapton	4	Edmund Mabin	46	✓
Harrod	1	Ann de	45	✓
		Maria de	17	
		Edmund de	5	
		Charles de	3	

1841 England Census – Edmund Mabin Household, Slapton

By 1851, all of their children had left the household. Although Edmund and Charles were only 15 and 13 years old, both were working. Edmund was an apprentice shoe maker, and Charles was a servant.

According to the 1861 England census, Edmund, 66, and Ann, 65, were still living in Slapton.

Edmund Mabin died in 1870 at age 76.¹⁴⁴

By 1871, Ann was living in Stokenham, Devon, with her daughter Ann Jeffry's family.¹⁴⁵

Ann (Harrod) Mabin died in Beeson, Stokenham, at the age of 78. She was buried in Slapton on 12 May 1874.¹⁴⁶

Anne Mabin	Beeson	May 12	78	P. Antram
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Devon Burials – Ann Mabin, 1874

Fifth Generation: Roger Rossiter and Sarah Radnidge (Maternal 3rd Great Grandparents)

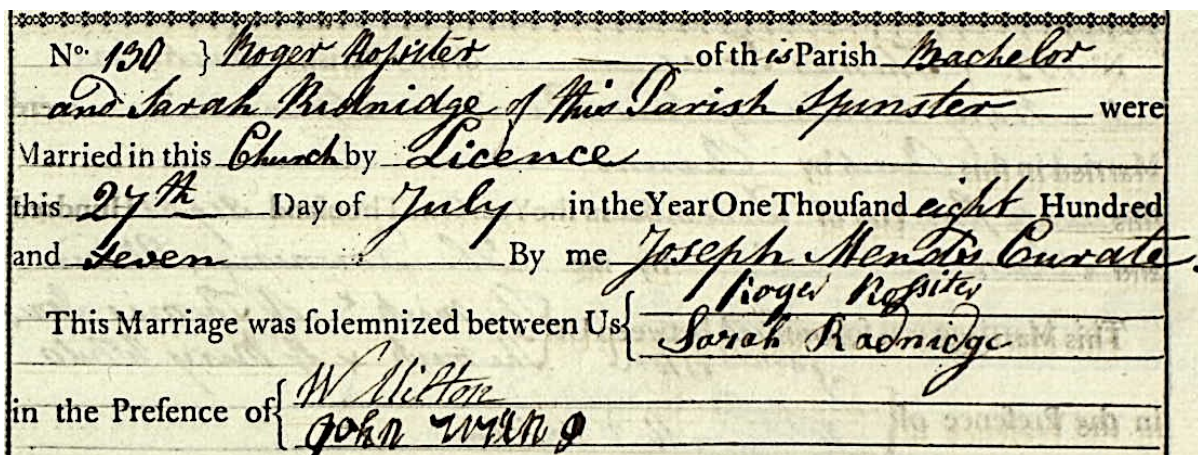
Roger Rossiter was born in Wiveliscombe, Somerset, and baptized on 14 February 1768. He was probably the son of Roger Rossiter and Betty Blackmore.¹⁴⁷



Somerset, Church of England Baptisms - Roger Rossiter, 1768

Sarah Radnidge was born about 1780 in Wiveliscombe, Somerset.¹⁴⁸

Roger Rossiter and Sarah Radnidge married in Wiveliscombe on 27 July 1807.



Somerset, England, Marriage Registers - Roger Rossiter and Sarah Radnidge, 1807

Roger and Sarah had at least six children, James, born 1812, John, born 1814, William, born 1816, Henry, born 1818, Charles, born 1821, and Stephen, born 1826.

According to the 1841 England census, Roger, 70, Sarah, 60, Henry, 22, Charles, 20, and Stephen, 15, were living in Wiveliscombe.¹⁴⁹

Roger Rossiter	70		Mr. Taylor
Sarah D ^o		60	
Henry D ^o	22		
Charles D ^o	20		
Stephen D ^o	15		

1841 England Census – Roger Rossiter Household, Wiveliscombe

Roger Rossiter died at the age of 77 and was buried in Wiveliscombe on 28 January 1844.¹⁵⁰

1844. <i>Roger Rossiter</i> No. 1.	<i>Wiveliscombe</i>	<i>Jan^{ry}</i> <i>28</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>Edwin Whorke</i> <i>Curate</i>
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Somerset, Church of England, Burials – Roger Rossiter, 1844

By 1851 Sarah was living with her son James and his family in Langley Marsh, Wiveliscombe.¹⁵¹

Sarah (Radnidge) Rossiter died at the age of 77 and was buried in Wiveliscombe on 24 May 1857.¹⁵²

<i>Sarah Rossiter</i> No. 695.	<i>Langley in</i> <i>the parish</i> <i>of Wiveliscombe</i>	<i>24</i> <i>May</i>	<i>77</i> <i>years</i>	<i>M. Whorke</i> <i>Curate</i>
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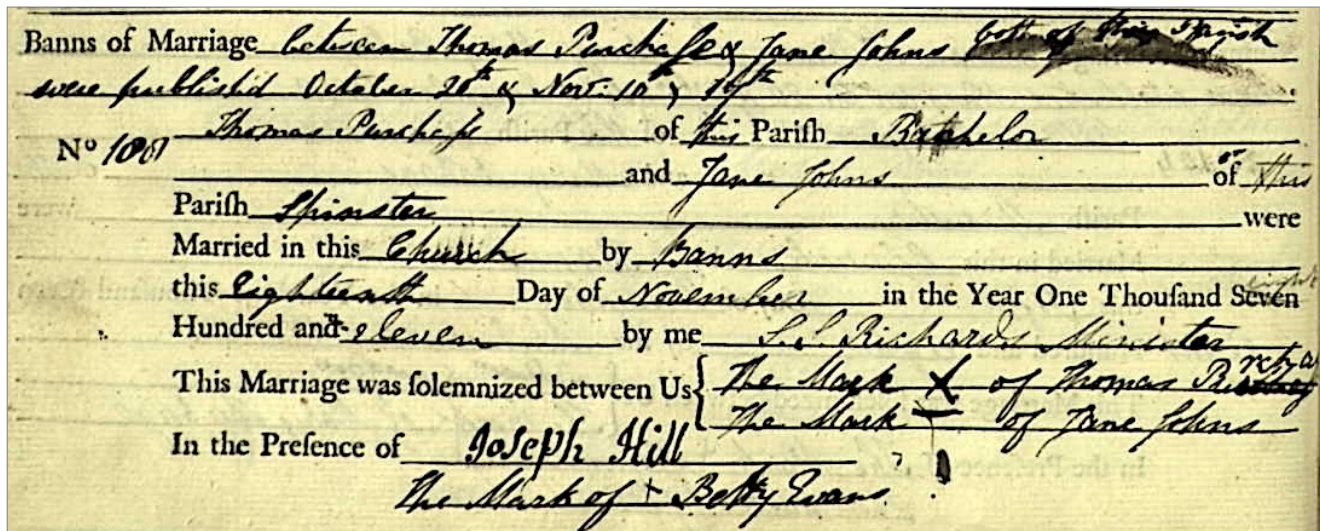
Somerset, Church of England, Burials – Sarah (Radnidge) Rossiter, 1857

Fifth Generation: James Court and Jane Johns (Maternal 3rd Great Grandparents)

James Court was possibly born in County Somerset about 1791.¹⁵³

Jane Johns was baptized on 18 June 1786 in Chipstable, Somerset. She was the daughter of John Johns and Mary _____.¹⁵⁴

Jane first married Thomas Purchase on 18 November 1811 in Chipstable.¹⁵⁵



Somerset, England, Marriage Registers – Thomas Purchase and Jane Johns, 1811

Thomas Purchase died in Chipstable in 1816 and was buried in Brompton Regis, Somerset, on 14 April 1816.¹⁵⁶

James Court and Jane Purchase were married on 25 March 1817 in Chipstable. According to the marriage record, Jane was a widow.¹⁵⁷

James and Jane probably had at least four children, John, born 1817, Ann, born 1822, Harriet, born 1824, and James, born 1827.

By 1841 James, 50, and Jane, 53, were living in Huish Champflower, Somerset, with their daughter Harriet, 16.¹⁵⁸

James Court	50	Do	24
Jane Do	53		24
Harriett Do	16		24

1841 England Census – James Court Household, Huish Champflower

No definitive records have been found for the family after 1841.

Much of the maternal line research was centered on Slapton, Devon, England. The 1850 Gazetteer of Slapton England gave this description: “SLAPTON, a pleasant village on the acclivity, rising from the central part of the coast of Start Bay, 6 miles S.W. by S. of Dartmouth, has in its parish 726 inhabitants, 3260 acres of tithe free land, and many scattered houses, commanding fine views of the bay and coast. On the beach is the Sands Hotel, from which visitors have a fine promenade at low water along the sands to within a mile of Start point. The hotel is elegantly fitted up for the accommodation of visitors, and about 200 yards from the beach is a long fresh-water lake of about 300 acres, called the Ley or Hey, well stocked with fish and wild fowl, and divided from the sea in some places only by a ridge called the Long Sand.”¹⁵⁹



According to the 2011 census, the population of Slapton was 434.

The freshwater lagoon is set within a National Nature Reserve, and there are many walks and trails around the reserve. A Sherman tank on Slapton Sands is part of the memorial to the hundreds of American servicemen who lost their lives there during Exercise Tiger in 1944.

“Knowles Name Meaning English: topographic name for someone who lived at the top of a hill or by a hillock, from a genitive or plural form of Middle English knoll ‘hilltop’, ‘hillock’ (Old English cnoll; see Knoll), or habitational name from any of the many places named with this word. Irish: Anglicized form of Gaelic Ó Tnúthghail (see Newell).”¹⁶⁰

Topographical surnames were among the earliest created, since both natural and man-made features in the landscape provided obvious and convenient distinguishing names in the small communities of the Middle Ages.

“Hudzik Name Meaning

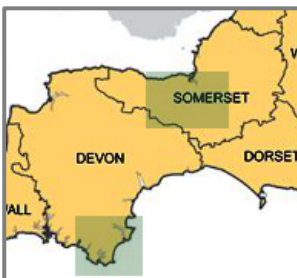
Ukrainian: from hudzyk ‘button’ metonymic occupational name for a button maker or nickname for a small man. Slovak: nickname for a thin man. Slovak chudzik, from chudý ‘thin’.”¹⁶¹



County map of England (1800s) with areas of family history in Devon and Somerset highlighted in green rectangles



Cary's New and Correct English Atlas, Somersetshire, 1793
Section of County Somerset showing Huish Champflower, Chipstable, Wiveliscombe, North Petherton



Cary's New and Correct English Atlas, Devonshire, 1793
Section of County Devon showing Dartmouth, Brixham, Slapton, Sherford, Kingsbridge, South Pool

Further Research

It is unlikely that anything more can be discovered about the fourth generation of the paternal line without enlisting the help of a professional genealogist in Poland.

Future research should focus on expanding what is known about both direct *and* indirect (collateral) ancestors in England, Ireland, and the U.S. Additional information about indirect ancestors (cousins, aunts, uncles, and in-laws) may reveal important information about direct ancestors.

1950 U.S. Census records will be released April 2022 and may provide important information.

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