

## **MEMBERS OF THE MOSS EXCHANGE CLUB (1896-1922)**

**AND**

## **BRITISH BRYOLOGICAL SOCIETY (1923-1945)**

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### **Introduction**

Who were the members of the MEC and early BBS up to the Second World War? What careers did they follow? Where did they live? What were their family backgrounds and socio-economic circumstances? Nearly all the 321 members listed below belonged to the middle class. They ranged from prominent professionals with substantial resources to lower but literate middle-class. Within the legal profession, for example, Sir James Stirling, who became Lord Justice of Appeal, shared membership with Thomas Dennis, a solicitor's clerk. Those members who became accomplished field-bryologists are treated in greater detail in separate 'Bygone Bryologists' articles.

MEC members laboured under the handicap of not having any excursions of the Club at which they might meet each other. This was particularly unfortunate for those like Lillie in the far north of Scotland, who lived far from other bryologists. However, several members did live quite close to each other, and doubtless bryologised together in the field by informal arrangement. Thus, Benson, Hamilton, Painter and Weyman all lived in Shropshire, and knew each other. Likewise, Elliott and Holmes both lived in Stroud, and Rhodes and Cleminshaw lived in the same road as each other in Birmingham. In Liverpool, Gasking was chaplain at Walton Gaol, where Wheldon was the pharmacist, and Edward Alfred Richards and Travis also lived in Liverpool. Edward Richards also lived in Wallasey, Cheshire, as did Miss Cooke and William Lee. Five members – Bentham, Bruce, Fletcher, Horrell and Charles Wilson – all lived in Scarborough, and one can imagine them meeting up through the Scarborough Field Naturalists' Club, of which Horrell was a prominent member. In Exmouth, the Reverend Joseph Ward and his niece Ann Wyndham lived at the same address for a time. Much later, D.A. Jones went to live in Cheltenham, where he would have consorted with Knight. A strong nexus also arose in Leicester, where Horwood and Reader would have botanised together, and Horwood started the cryptogamic careers of Sowter and Wade while both were still schoolboys. Ties from schooldays and college also linked Barker and Stirling, who were both from the same district in Aberdeen and also at Cambridge together in the 1860s, at a time when Linton and Reader attended the same school as each other in Warwickshire. In the early 1920s, Aberystwyth had three members (Fry, Stephenson and Lloyd Williams), Leeds had four (Cheetham, as well as Pearsall, Priestley and Scott at the university), York had Burrell, Ingham, Mennell and Stansfield, and several members

lived in London (for example, Drabble, Gibbs and Horne all worked or studied at the Royal College of Science). Henry Boyden, William Pegler, George Savery and Mr Waterfield lived in Exeter; Denis Billing and Richard Smitham both lived in Fowey, Cornwall; Doris Powell and Muriel Saunders lived in Reigate, and Charles Bedford and William Watson both taught at Taunton School. Many other regions lacked MEC or BBS members, whereas with numerous members living or working near other members in little conclaves of bryological activity suggests that personal contact may have been an important stimulus to joining the national club or society. It is also noticeable that Scottish members of the MEC (Lillie, Macvicar and Young) and their bryological contemporary Stirton originally came from comfortably placed middle-class families on the eastern side of the country.

A much higher proportion of botanists who joined the MEC took interest in lichens than is so with bryologists of the early 21<sup>st</sup> century. Bagnall, Burrell, Cheetham, Dixon, Horwood, D.A. Jones, Knight, Lillie, Arthur Pearson, Reader, Rhodes, Travis, Walter Watson, Wheldon and Albert Wilson all studied lichens as well as bryophytes. Others took interest in fungi – Crossland, Eyre, Lett, Marriott, Arthur Pearson and Salmon – while John William Haigh Johnson married May West, daughter of the algologist William West.

Of relatives who joined the MEC or BBS, Lorna Scott was a sister of Ida Mildred Bentley, Joseph Ward was Ann Wyndham's uncle, and William Burrell was uncle to Francis Milsom. Thomas Alan Stephenson and his father Thomas were both members, while Amy Saunders was a granddaughter of the naturalist William Wilson Saunders.

In North America, the Sullivant Moss Society was established in 1898 and developed more quickly than the MEC, both in size of membership and breadth of subjects covered in its publications. By 1905 the American society (which catered for lichenologists as well as bryologists) had 156 members, rising to 190 by 1910 before falling back to around 140 during the First World War. In comparison, Section II of the MEC had only 23 members in 1910 (with 45 in the main section of the Club that year), and 45 in 1919 (with 39 in the club's main section that year). The American society also widened its interests in the early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century beyond confirming identifications of species and their localities, publishing articles about bygone naturalists, the life-cycles of species and secular succession. Not until after the Second World War did similar articles appear regularly in the BBS's periodicals.

Differing versions of the lists of MEC members were printed, some with names omitted from other versions pertaining to the same year. In addition, incorrect initials and first names occasionally crept into the lists of members, and I have not seen all membership lists for 1920-1922. It is therefore possible that I have inadvertently omitted some people who joined the MEC because I have not been able to consult all versions of the lists of members. I have also been unable yet to identify the full names and dates of birth and death of some members.

### **J. Huldreich Albrecht (or Huldrych Albrecht-Rohner) (1900-1971)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Albrecht was a Swiss bryologist and teacher. He was born and died in Zurich, but resided at 12 Streatham Hill, London SW when he joined the BBS in 1930, and the following year he lived at Claygate, Surrey.

### **William Allen (1849-1903)**

*Member:* 1898-1902

*Bryological activity:* exchanged 9 liverworts in 1898; nothing thereafter.

*Herbarium:*

Allen was born in Maidstone, Kent, the eldest of at least five children born to William Hart Allen (1813-1900, surgeon, dentist, and pharmaceutical chemist) and his wife Sarah (*née* Booth, c.1824). The family were living in Victoria, Australia in the late 1850s and early 1860s, but returned to England.

By 1871 Allen was an assistant in a shop – perhaps his father’s – in West Ham, London. In 1881 he was an unmarried chemist’s assistant in Swindon, Wiltshire. By the mid-1880s he had returned to West Ham, where he ran a chemist’s shop, and was married to Emily (*née* Hines, 1857-?1929). A son, William Harold, was born in 1886, followed by a daughter Emily in 1891-2.

Sometime after 1897, the Allens moved to Westham, Weymouth, Dorset, where William ran a grocer’s shop.

### **George Henry Allison (1861-1956)**

*Member:* 1919-1956

*Bryological activity:* exchanged 28 mosses in 1919-20.

*Herbarium:* Kew and Lincoln Museum.

George was a son of Henry Allison (1827/8-1908), a self-employed carpenter, joiner and wheelwright, and Frances (*née* Shaw, 1826-1904). George was brought up at his parents’ shop and house in Waltham, Grimsby, and followed his father’s trade, becoming a carpenter and joiner. By 1924-6 and 1939 his address was 65 Convamore Road, Grimsby, and in 1947 his address was c/o Mr Holderness, Home Farm, Ashby, Spilsby, Lincolnshire. He remained unmarried.

**Kenneth Willway Allison (1894-1976)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Allison was a forester and lived in New Zealand.

**Pierre Allorge (1891-1944)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Allorge was a Parisian, an ecologist, and became Professor of Cryptogamic Botany at the *Muséum d'histoire naturelle*.

Allorge's wife Valentine (1888-1977, *née* Selitzky) was a noted bryologist. She was born in Jouralevska in Russia, but spent most of her life in France. She married Charles Louis Gatin (1877-1916, who died in the First World War), and secondly Pierre Allorge in 1920.

**Dr Jean Jules Amann (1859-1939)**

*Member:* ?1921-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Amann lived in Lausanne, Switzerland, and joined the MEC in ?1921. His name disappeared from the list of members after 1924.

**Heinrich Andres (1883-1970)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Andres was a teacher. Born in Bengel, after 1910 he taught at Bonn.

**Eleonora Armitage (1865-1961)**

*Member:* 1896-1961

*Bryological activity:*

<i>Year</i>	<i>Mosses</i>	<i>Liverworts</i>
1896	100 specimens	
1897	82	26
1898	87	0
1899	28	24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>50</b>

*Herbarium:*

Miss Armitage was the MEC's only founding lady member. She remained a prominent member of the MEC and subsequently of the BBS for the rest of her life, and is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

**Louis Felix Henri Audcent (1875-1951)**

*Member:* 1904

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Henri was a secondary school teacher at Bristol in 1911. He was a son of Louis Henri Audcent (1838-1881) and Helene Marie Pinot de Moire (c.1852-1879), daughter of Hippolyte H. Pinot de Moire (1820/1->1881), barrister and professor.

He married Henriette Marie Angele Ferney (1880/1-1966) in 1910.

**Alice Sophia Bacon (*née* Smart, 1890-1957)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mrs Bacon was born in London, a daughter of Thomas Baird Smart (1867-1947, iron moulder) and Sophia Alice (*née* England, 1867-1913). Alice married Samuel Bacon (born 1890) in Stepney, London in 1916, and secondly Henry A. Cooke at Brighton in 1951.

Alice was a mycologist. She lectured at Huddersfield Technical College from 1914 to 1920, and then at Brighton Technical College from 1920 to 1950 (cf. Miss Cottis, below).

**James Eustace Bagnall (1830-1918)**

*Member:* 1899-1918  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Bagnall is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Anthony David Banwell (1917-2011)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Banwell was a solicitor at Nottingham, and son of Sydney Edgar Banwell (1888-1935) and Doris (*née* Barker, 1893-1984). Sydney was a clerk in a lace warehouse in 1911. Doris was the daughter of Clement Barker, a Nottingham draper.

### **Thomas Barker (1838-1907)**

*Member:* 1896-1907  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Barker is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Ernest Francis Barnes (1880-1968)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Barnes was a son of William Barnes (1843-1886, banker and JP) and Jessie Annie (*née* Long, 1853-1946). He married Geraldine Catherine Ann Denning (1870-1950) in 1911, and lived in Throwleigh, Devon in 1935, and Okehampton in 1939. In 1911 and 1939 he was living on private means.

### **Albert William Bartlett (1875-1943)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

In 1911 Bartlett was a lecturer in botany at Sheffield University, and by the time he joined the BBS had moved to the university at Newcastle upon Tyne. He was living in Gosforth, Northumberland in 1939. He did not marry, and was born at Southall, Middlesex, a son of William Bartlett (1846-1912, surgeon and dentist) and Bertha (*née* Smith, 1845).

**Ernest Bartling (1886/7-1938)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

**Edwin Bunting Bartram (1878-1964)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bartram lived in the U.S.A. He was descended from the botanist John Bartram (1699-1777), and a son of George Widdifield Bartram (1854-1925) and Clara Ellis (*née* Bunting, 1856-1922). He married Eleanor Greene Britton.

**Charlotte Beach (*née* Vaughan, 1832-1926)**

*Member:* 1904-1907

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Charlotte was the eldest child of Stephen Vaughan (1809/10-1867), artist and designer, and Charlotte Mary (*née* Cattlin, 1808/9-1888). She married George Beach (1831/2-1908, ironmonger) in 1859. They had two sons: Ernest George (an artist in 1901) and Horace Ashley, who was a director in 1926.

**Alfred Tennyson Beals (1870-1955)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* New York Botanical Garden

Beals was a professional photographer of New York. In 1897 he married Jessie Richmond Tarbox (1870-1942), who was also a professional photographer. Later he

married Marie Victoria [...] (1888-1974). In 1925 he succeeded Chamberlain (see below) as secretary and treasurer of the Sullivant Moss Society.

### **Charles Moxon Bedford (1888-1954)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bedford taught at Taunton School, Somerset in 1930. Charles Moxon Bedford (1887/8-1954) was born at Nottingham, a son of James Bedford (1846/7-?1918, schoolteacher) and his wife Mary (born 1845/6, also a schoolteacher). Charles Moxon Bedford married Ethel Jane Wallhead (1888-1961) at Spilsby, Lincolnshire in 1917.

Walter Watson (see below) also taught at Taunton School.

### **Thomas Henry Booth Bedford (1898-1961)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:* studied the distribution of *Seligeria* in northern England.

*Herbarium:*

Bedford was a medical doctor, and was a lecturer at the Medical School, Manchester University in 1935. He was born and died in Gildersome, Yorkshire, and married Olive Marjorie Holliday (1905-1997) in 1951. His parents were William Bedford (1857/8-1930, colliery owner) and Annie Margaret (*née* Booth, 1862/3-1938) of Turton Hall, Gildersome, near Leeds.

### **Henry Beesley (1855-1925)**

*Member:* 1902->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Beesley was a railway clerk in 1901, living in Preston, Lancashire. He was born in Preston, the youngest of four children of William Beesley (b. 1824/5), a market gardener employing two men, and Elizabeth (b. 1825/6).

Beesley did not marry, and was residing at 55 Long Lane, Ashton-on-Ribble, Preston in 1911 (with his unmarried elder sister Maria, who was acting as his housekeeper) and at the time of his death. He left estate valued at £17,000.



Beesley joined the MEC in 1902 and remained a member until >1923. He studied the bryoflora of the Isle of Man from 1902 until at least 1908 (*Proceedings of the Isle of Man Natural History and Antiquities Society* 1 (1908): 164-5). See also Gasking and Hunter, below, for bryological connections with the Isle of Man.

He contributed .... to the exchange. Plants that he collected are held at Liverpool, Oxford, and more than 400 of his bryophytes are held at the National Museum and Gallery of Wales in Cardiff.

### **William Bellerby (1852-1936)**

*Member:* 1904->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bellerby is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Harry Bendorff (or Bendorf, or Bendorffe) (1892-1941)**

*Member:* 1913->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bendorff was the sixth child of ten born to Jacob Henry Bendorffe (born 1858/9), a general labourer, and his wife Sarah Ann (*née* Kirwin, 1861-1932). Jacob Henry Bendorffe was a son of Henry Aaron Bendorffe (1801-1864) and Sarah (*née* Harding, c.1808-1883). Henry Aaron was born in Germany, and a musician in Manchester in 1861.

Harry was a core-maker for a moulder in 1911, and married Kathleen Adderley (1893-1940) in 1914. He lived at 9 Brundretts Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester when he joined the MEC in 1913, and at 4 Sedgeley Avenue, Prestwich, Manchester by 1915. His address was still the same in 1924, but thereafter he was not listed as a member of the BBS.

### **Arthur Bennett (1874-1941)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bennett lived at Belle Vista, Upper Colwall, Malvern in the 1930s, when he was a builder's contractor.

### **Richard de Gylpyn Benson (1856-1904)**

*Member:* 1896-1904

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Benson is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Miss Florence Bentham (1889-?1983)**

*Member:* 1911->1914

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Florence Bentham was the youngest daughter of William Bentham (1843-1939) and Susannah (*née* Wilson, 1852). William Bentham was a chemist, druggist and stamp distributor at Whitworth, Co. Durham in 1871, 1891 and 1901.

Florence Bentham lived at The Towers, Scarborough when she joined the MEC in 1912, and this was still her address in 1959. She left the Club in 19... Other MEC members who lived in Scarborough were Helen Bruce, C.H. Fletcher and Ernest Horrell. Perhaps they knew and encouraged each other in their bryological interest. Miss Bentham went to Durham University, and qualified as a medical doctor in 1922. She lived at The Towers, Scarborough at least until 1959.

### **Ida Mildred Bentley (*née* Scott, 1889-1975)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Ida Mildred Scott was born in India, an elder sister to Lorna Iris Scott (q.v.). Ida married Dr. Richard John Bentley in Ashford, Kent in 1916, and they lived there until her husband's death in 1961. Ida subsequently went to live in Yeovil, Somerset (where Lorna also lived), and died there in 1975.

### **Denis Billing (1896-1975)**

*Member:* 1920->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Billing was the third child of Henry Charles (1866-1916 or 1923), a joiner of Fowey, Cornwall, and Marion (*née* Burton, 1864/5-1944). Henry Charles was a son of Pascoe Billing (1817/9-1885) and Catherine (*née* Moyse, 1826-1895). Marion was a daughter of Thomas Richard Burton (1830-1896) and Mary Ann Barnicoat (1826-1912). Denis joined the MEC in ?1921, when he was living at 8, Harbour View, Fowey, Cornwall. He married Ethel Elizabeth Wotton (1899-1972) in 1926, and was living at 6, Harbour View by 1926. Richard Smitham (see below) also lived in Fowey, so the two men probably knew each other.

### **Reginald Canning Bindley (1845-1937)**

*Member:* 1911

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bindley was born in Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leicestershire, the fourth of ten children born to John Riles Bindley (1806/7-1892), a self-employed glue and leather manufacturer, and Harriet (*née* Wood, 1814/5-1894). John Riles Bindley was a son of John Bindley (1774-1862), a glue manufacturer, and Sarah (*née* Riles, 1777).

Reginald went up to Emmanuel College, Cambridge, graduating in 1869, after which he was curate at Dunham Massey in Cheshire (1870-2). From 1872 until 1930 he was vicar of Mickleover, Derbyshire. He was also chaplain to the Derby County Asylum from 1883 until 1913. In 1933 his address was the Old Grammar School, Market Drayton, Shropshire.

Bindley married Victoria Anne Trouncer, daughter of Thomas W. Trouncer (born 1777) in 1870; she died in 1899, aged 57. They had at least six children.

Bindley joined the MEC in 1911, but did not renew his subscription. He contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium is at the National Museum and Gallery of Wales, Cardiff.

### **Robert William Bingham (1871-1954)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bingham was born in Belfast, a son of Edward Bingham (c.1846-1903) and Eliza (*née* Watson, 1846-1892). In 1911 he was a schoolmaster living at the Sanatorium, Royal School, Dungannon, Co. Tyrone, Northern Ireland with his wife Anna (Annie, *née* Porter, born 1869, Belfast) and four children Dorothea (1898-1971), Norah (1899-1995), Edward

William (1901-1993) and Robert Porter (1903-1982). Bingham became headmaster at the Royal School.

### **Charles Herbert Binstead (1862-1941)**

*Member:* 1896-1941

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Binstead is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **George Birnie (c.1860-1941)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* Aberdeen

Reverend Birnie was the minister at Speymouth, Fochabers, Morayshire. He was born at Boharm, Banffshire, a son of William Birnie (born 1799) and Helen (*née* Kemp, 1822). He married Margaret Dawson, and they had five children.

### **Joseph Blundell (???-???)**

*Member:* 1917->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Blundell lived at 29 Aldridge Road Villas, Notting Hill, London W11 when he joined the MEC in 1918. He was still a member and living at the same address in 1923. A Joseph Blundell was elected to the Quekett Microscopical Club in 1876.

### **Antonio Joseph Smith Bodoano (1867-1947)**

*Member:* 1903

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bodoano was born in Eccles, Lancashire, and joined the MEC in 1903. He was living in London and working as a managing clerk to a shipping merchant in 1911. He married Ellen Catherine Daniel (1870-1949) in 1896, and died in Manchester; Antonio and Ellen had nine children. Antonio's paternal grandfather Antonio (or Anthony) Alexander Bodoano (died 1881) was a merchant in Manchester, and came from Italy.

**Adam Boros (1900-1973)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* Budapest Museum

Boros was a prominent Hungarian bryologist. He also collected bryophytes in Austria.

**Thomas Leonard Bottomley (1880/1-1959)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bottomley was born and died in Sheffield. He was a cash clerk in 1911. His father Leonard Bottomley (born 1854/5 at Staveley, Derbyshire) was a stone-mason, and married Sarah Clarke (born 1852/3 at Blythe, Nottinghamshire).

**Miss Esther J. Bowen (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Bowen was at the Department of Biology, Swansea University when she joined the BBS in 1929 (as was T. Kenneth Rees, see below).

**Henry Boyden (1832-1923)**

*Member:* 1904->1919

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Reverend Boyden was born in Birmingham, a son of John Boyden (born 1799-1800), a maker of military accoutrements, and Mary Ann (*née* Lendup, 1800/01). John Boyden was a son of James Boyden (1758-1827) and Mary (*née* Yates, 1762-1832). Henry became a clergyman in the Church of England, and in 1868 married Susan Hamilton, daughter of George Hamilton, a Scottish general medical practitioner. Henry Boyden was working in Birmingham in 1881, but had moved to Exeter by 1905 when he joined the MEC, and died there. George Savery and William Pegler (see below) also lived in Exeter.

### **David Bigham Bradshaw (1869-1944)**

*Member:* 1919->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Bradshaw was born in Ballyshannon, County Donegal, and educated in Dublin and Portora. He became a bank inspector, and worked for the Provincial Bank of Ireland until 1936. He married Annie Jane Oliver (born 1870/1 in County Antrim) in 1902, and by the time of the 1911 Census Return the couple were living at 87 Marlborough Road, Pembroke West, Dublin, and had one child, Winifred Mona (born 1907/8). In 1923 he married Nannie Stuart Budd, who survived him, as did Keith Bigham Bradshaw who was a bank official in 1944.

Bradshaw was living in Dublin when he joined the MEC in 1920. By 1923-5 he was living at Northcote, Sandford Road, Dublin. In 1926-7 his address is given as Provincial Bank House, Royal Avenue, Belfast, and at the time of his death he was living at 38 Morehampton Road, Dublin. His herbarium is at Ulster Museum. A portrait of him may be found in *Irish Naturalists' Journal*, volume 8, page 166.

### **Koren Breien (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Breien worked at the Botanical Museum in Oslo in 1933 (cf. Per Stormer, below).

### **Charles Adolphus Briggs (1849-1916)**

*Member:* 1904

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* Cardiff

Briggs was a solicitor, son of Thomas Carter Briggs (1812/3-1875), barrister of Chelsea, and Elizabeth (*née* Mapleton, 1819-<1871). Charles did not marry. He joined the MEC in 1903, and died at Lynmouth, leaving estate valued at £13,154.

### **Alfred Henry Brinkman (1873-1945)**

*Member:* 1904-1907

*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Alfred Henry Brinkman was born in Poplar, London, a son of Alfred Henry Brinkman (1845/6-1916), an engineer for refrigerated water, and Mary Grace (*née* Morrish, 1843/4-1917). In 1899 he married Ada Rowe (born 1874/5), daughter of Theodore Rowe, a coal merchant's manager.

In 1891, Brinkman was a telegraph clerk, but became a lighthouse-keeper from 1895 until 1908, when he emigrated to Canada (as did his parents) and took up farming and surveying. By 1906/7 he was keeper at Great Castle Head Lighthouse, east of St. Ishmael's, Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, where he very likely knew Jackett (see below).

He joined the MEC in 1906 and remained a member until the following year. He contributed .... to the exchange. His British plants are at Cambridge, Edinburgh, Bristol and Cardiff, with Canadian plants at the Natural History Museum in London. The National Museum and Gallery of Wales, Cardiff has 125 of Brinkman's specimens (113 of which are bryophytes) collected between 1905 and 1907.

### **Harold Britten (1870-1954)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Britten's address in 1934 was The Nursery, Crescent Avenue, Whitby, Yorkshire.

### **Tom Ainsworth Brode (1865-1911)**

*Member:* 1903  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Brode was a Church of England clergyman. He was born near Salisbury, Wiltshire, the eldest of three children of Thomas (1836/7-1909), a schoolmaster, and Betsy (Bessie, *née* Adams, 1840/1).

Brode gained a B.A. at London in 1886, and took up his first post as a priest at Downham in Essex. He moved to Soham (1889-91), Leighton Buzzard (1891-3) and then York in 1895. In 1889 he married Dora Pauline Lukin (b. 1864). Dora's parents were William Hugo Lukin (1829-1889, son of James William Lukin 1774-1856 and Joanna Bryan *née* Hugo 1797-1889) and Mary Herbert (*née* Mason, 1839-1867). Tom and Dora had two

sons (Cecil H.A. born 1890, and Reginald T. born in 1893) and two daughters (Dora M. born in 1896 and Gertrude M. born in 1899).

Brode joined the MEC in 1902/3 and remained a member until 1905. He contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium ....

### **Henri Vanden Broeck (1845-1926)**

*Member:* ?1923-?1926

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Vanden Broeck (or Vandenbroeck) lived in Antwerp, Belgium, when he joined the MEC in ?1921. More than 100 of his gatherings are in the herbarium at Cardiff.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1926), page 254.

### **Herbert Clarkson Broome (1866-1936)**

*Member:* 1911->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Broome was born in Oldham, eldest child of Samuel (1838/9-1915), clerk and salesman in the granary and corn trade in 1871, later at a cotton mill, and Sarah Jane (b. 1842/3).

Herbert was an office clerk in an ironworks at the age of fourteen, and subsequently became a clerk in an accountant's office. In 1892 he married Sarah Elizabeth Bright in Oldham. In 1901 he was a clerk working for the Urban District Council of Failsworth, near Manchester, and had two young daughters. He joined the MEC in 1915, when he was living at Netherthorpe, Failsworth, Manchester. He was still at Netherthorpe at the time of his death.

### **Victor Ferdinand Brotherus (1849-1929)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:* international repute; he studied widely and published extensively

*Herbarium:* 120,000 specimens at Helsinki University

Brotherus was born in Skarpan, Sund, Aland, when Finland was ruled by Russia. He had twelve siblings, six of whom died young. He began medical studies, but later studied under the bryologist S.O. Lindberg, and became a schoolteacher. In 1879 he married Aline Mathilde Sandman (1853-1894), and they had four children. From 1878 until he



retired in 1917 he taught natural history and mathematics in Vassa and Helsinki, and studied bryology in his spare time.

### **Margaret Sibella Brown (1866-1961)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Brown lived in Novia Scotia, Canada, and won an international reputation for her bryological studies.

### **Helen Jane Theodora Bruce (1876-1929)**

*Member:* 1918->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Bruce was born at Carlton, near Worksop, a daughter of Lloyd Stewart Bruce (1829-1885), rector of Carlton in Nottinghamshire, and canon of York in 1881. He was also at one time rector of Stokesley, Yorkshire. Canon Bruce was a son of Sir James Robertson Bruce, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bt., (1788-1836) and Ellen Bamford (*née* Hesketh, d. 1864), daughter of Robert Bamford Hesketh (1747-1814). Lloyd Stewart Bruce's first wife, Helen's mother, was Jane Skene (1837-1880). Helen was descended from Scottish royalty on her father's side, and from Greek Phanariot aristocracy on her mother's. One of Helen's sisters was Lady Edith Agnes Kathleen Bruce (1878-1947), a sculptor who married Captain Robert Falcon Scott who died during an expedition to the South Pole in 1912. Their son, Peter Markham Scott (1909-1989) founded the Wildlife Trust at Slimbridge. One of Helen's brothers, Wilfrid Montagu Bruce accompanied Scott on his polar expedition in 1912. Lady Edith subsequently married Sir Edward Hilton Young, 1st Baron Kennet.

Helen Bruce joined the MEC in 1918, when she was living at 3, Cromwell Terrace, Scarborough. That was still her address in 1924, after which her name disappears from the list of members. She was President of the Scarborough Field Naturalists' Society in 1919, and their Recorder for mosses from 1921 until she died. Other bryologists of Scarborough were Ernest Horrell and C.H. Fletcher (see below), and Florence Bentham (see above). A nurse by profession, Miss Bruce was interested in birds, fungi and plants, and loved children. For years she went to Purcell House School every Wednesday to give talks on nature study.

### **Margaret Buchanan (1901-c.1940)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Miss Buchanan was an assistant at the museum in Dublin.

### **Norman Alan Burges (1911-2002)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Burges was born and raised in Australia, and for many years worked to develop the University of Ulster, Coleraine, Northern Ireland.

### **William Holmes Burrell (1865-1945)**

*Member:* 1904->1923  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Burrell is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article. In 1921 he lived at 44, Nest View, Horsforth, York.

### **Cyril Philip Castell (1907-1972)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Castell was born in Lambeth, London, a son of Richard Alexander Castell (1881-1947, a watchmaker) and Emma Elizabeth (*née* Howard, 1879-1964). In 1929 Castell was appointed as an attendant at the British Museum (Natural History), now the Natural History Museum. Obituaries were published in the *Journal of Conchology* 27:535-543 and *The London Naturalist* 52: 121-129.

### **David Guthrie Catcheside (1907-1994)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Catcheside was a son of David Guthrie Catcheside sr. (born Bristol, 1879, warehouseman for a wholesale drapery business in Streatham, London in 1911) and Florence Susanna (*née* Boxwell, Bristol 1878). He had a younger sister Phyllis May (1911-1985).

Catcheside emigrated to Australia and became an eminent geneticist.

### **Edward Blanchard Chamberlain (1878-1925)**

*Member:* ?1923-?1925

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Chamberlain was born at Bristol Mills, Maine, U.S.A., son of two teachers, Charles Edwin and Margaret J. (*née* Blanchard, died c. 1906). Chamberlain was living in New York when he joined the MEC in ?1921. He was secretary and treasurer of the Sullivant Moss Society.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1925), page 181.

### **Joseph Charrier (1879-1963)**

*Member:* ?1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Charrier's address was Pharmacien, La Chataignerie, Vendée, France when he joined the MEC in ?1921-3, and he was still at the same address in 1950. By 1958 he was living at 11 Rue General Sarrail, La Rochelle, Charente Maritime, France. 141 of his bryophytes are in the herbarium at Cardiff, with further material at Harvard, Dublin, Oxford and GRI.

### **Corrie Denew Chase (1878-1965)**

*Member:* ?1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Corrie Chase, M.A., M.C., was the eldest child of the Reverend Charles Henry (1850-1924) and Dora Nichols Sankey (*née* Stevens, 1852-1928, daughter of Alfred Stevens of Farnham, Surrey). Charles Chase was successively vicar of Ambleside, Westmorland from 1882 until 1891, then St. Miniver in Cornwall, Woodbury Salterton in Devon, and Marks Tey near Colchester in Essex. He was a son of Henry John Neale Chase (1813-1895), attorney and solicitor, and his wife Maria (*née* Corrie, 1811-1884, daughter of

Adam Corrie (1779-1846) of Wellingborough, Northamptonshire). Henry John Chase was a son of Samuel Chase (1787-1863) of Luton, and his wife Louisa (*née* Compigne, 1784-1851). The Compignes lived in Reading, which is where Charles Henry Chase was born.

Corrie Chase became a schoolmaster at Blundell's School, Tiverton, Devon, and retired to 51 Dundale Avenue, Belfast. He was Captain Chase, residing at Campbell College, Belfast when he joined the MEC in ?1921, and in 1926-7. He died in Belfast. His herbarium is at Ulster Museum, with other plants at Kew and the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff.

### **Christopher Arthington Cheetham (1875-1954)**

*Member:* 1919->1923

*Bryological activity:* found *Hypnum hamulosum* near Ribbleshead, Yorkshire.

*Herbarium:*

Cheetham was the eldest child of seven born to Charles Edward Cheetham (1846/7-1900), woollen and worsted manufacturer of Calverley, Yorkshire, and Clara Elizabeth (*née* Arthington, 1853). Christopher followed his father into the textile trade, and was a "designer of worsted coatings" in 1901.

Cheetham was also interested in diptera, and Leeds Museum Resource Centre has some of his papers.

He joined the MEC in 1908, and remained a member until >1919. He was living at Nutting Grove, Farnley, Leeds in 1920-6. He did not marry, and in 1939 he lived at The Green, Settle, West Yorkshire with his mother. He contributed ... to the exchange. His plants are at Merseyside Museums, with a further 84 specimens (mainly bryophytes) collected between 1906-45 at the National Museum and Gallery of Wales, Cardiff.

### **Emma Jane Chick (1874-1941)**

*Member:* 1926-????

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

See Henrietta Anning Chick (below).

### **Henrietta Anning ('Annie') Chick (1880-1961)**

*Member:* ?1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Chick was the third daughter of Henry Showers Chick (1835/6-1903) and Mary (*née* Anning, 1843/4-?1912). Henry was a messenger for a pensioner's hospital in Lambeth, London in 1881, and a "caretaker and agent" in 1891. He was born in Membury, Devon, a son of Thomas Chick (1788-1857) and Phillis Showers (1801-1871).

Henrietta was a student in London in 1901, a teacher in 1911, and living at 4 Kennington Park when she joined the MEC/BBS in **1923**. By 1926, her elder sister Miss Emma Jane Chick (1874-1941) who became a headmistress had also joined the BBS. In 1926-7 the two sisters moved to 45 Cricklade Avenue, Streatham Hill, London SW2, and were living in Uckfield in 1939. In 1947 Henrietta was living at The Cottage, Roffey Hurst, Horsham, Sussex.

**Lorna May Child (1887-1975)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lorna May Child was born in Sidcup, Kent, a third child of Henry William Robert Child (1858-1926) and Eliza Sophia (*née* Beney, 1854-1942). Miss Child was assistant curator at the Municipal Museum, 12 Mount Ephraim, Tunbridge Wells, Kent in 1938. In 1946 she was living at 2 Chernocke House, Canford Cliffs, Bournemouth, although the telephone directory cites this address for her elder sister Miss Frieda Mary Child. In 1949 Lorna was at Thorsway, Canford Cliffs. In 1951 she was at Norfolk Lodge Hotel, Canford Cliffs. She died at Bournemouth.

**Harry Stanley Chipperfield (1869-1956)**

*Member:* 1918

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Chipperfield was the eldest son of Henry Chipperfield (born 1844/5), solicitor's clerk of London, and Harriet (*née* Stringer, 1846/7). Harry married Louise Emmeline Dixon (1867/8-1951) in 1901, and by 1911 they had moved to Ottery St. Mary in Devon. They had two daughters: Elaine Maud (born 1901/2) and Gertrude Barbara (born 1910).

Chipperfield was living at Cromwell House, Ottery St. Mary, Devon when he joined the MEC in 1918. He is not listed as a member of the BBS by 1923. He was a professor of music, organist and choirmaster at St. David's Cathedral, Hobart in 1894-5, then organist at Richmond Parish Church, Surrey, and then at Ottery St. Mary in Devon. He died at Honiton, Devon.

### **Frederick James Chittenden (1873-1950)**

*Member:* 1906-?1914

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Chittenden was born in Stratford, London, the eldest of four children of William (b.1843), an examiner of carriages for the Great Eastern Railway Company, and Mary Ann (*née* Curtis, 1843/4). He married Esther Ada Farnes (1879-1966) in 1901.

Chittenden was a plant pathologist and horticulturalist, and taught at Woolwich Polytechnic from 1892 to 1900, and then lectured in biology at the East Anglia Institute of Agriculture from 1900 until 1907, when he took up the directorship of the Royal Horticultural Society's laboratory at Wisley. He held that position until 1919, after which he became Director of Wisley Gardens until 1931. From 1931 until 1939 he edited the RHS's publications and was Keeper of the Lindley Library.

Chittenden contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium is at the Royal Horticultural Society, Wisley. With E.C. Horrell (q.v.) he wrote *Field Studies in Natural History* (1902).

### **Ram Saran Chopra (1904-1973)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Chopra was an eminent Indian bryologist.

### **Temple Clayton (1914-1978)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Clayton lived in New York. He was a chemist and amateur botanist.

### **Edward Cleminshaw (1849-1922)**

*Member:* 1901-1918

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Cleminshaw is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Llewellyn Jameson Cocks (1859-1922)**

*Member:* 1901-1919

*Bryological activity:* found *Cephaloziella calyculata* in Cornwall in 1922.

*Herbarium:*

Cocks was born in Madron, Cornwall, the youngest son of Frederick Augustus Cocks (1824/5-1896), a schoolmaster, and Isabella Jameson Truran (1833/4-1898). Llewellyn Cocks married Georgina Canham (1851/2-1930) in 1883.

In 1910 Cocks was the manager of an insurance office, living in Bromley, Kent with Georgina, son Theodore Jameson (b. Bexley Heath, Dartford, Kent, 1884) and daughters Dorothea Jameson (b. Bexley Heath, 1885) and Cecilia Mary Jameson (b. Dartford, 1887). In 1921, Cocks lived at Holly Lodge, Esher, Surrey, but had moved to Perranrthnoe, Penzance, Cornwall by 1922. He died at Goldsithny, Cornwall.

Cocks contributed mosses to *Naturalist* in 1897-8. He contributed .... to the exchange. 118 of his botanical specimens (collected between 1896 and 1919) are in the National Museum and Gallery of Wales, Cardiff.

### **Miss Lilian Rose Cooke (1875-1963)**

*Member:* 1913-1915

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Cooke lived at 1, Mayfield Road, Wallasey, Cheshire (as did William Lee and Edward Richards, q.v.) when she joined the MEC in 1913. She was born in Liverpool, the eldest child of Charles Waterhouse Cooke (1849-1920, master carter) and Rosanna (*née* Moses, 1846-1920). Her paternal uncle Isaac Cooke (1846-1922) was an artist and landscape painter. Lilian did not marry, and cited no occupation at the times of the 1901 and 1911 Census Returns.

### **Charlotte Angela Cooper (1871-1944)**

*Member:* 1917->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Cooper lived in California Lane, Bushey Heath, Hertfordshire when she joined the MEC in 1917. She still lived there with her elder sister Catherine (an artist) in 1939, by which time she had retired from teaching. She was born at Robin Hood Bay, Whitby, Yorkshire, a daughter of Reverend Robert Jermyn Cooper (1830-1916) and Fanny (*née* Hicks, 1828-1884) and became interested in fungi while living in Yorkshire. In 1911 they lived at Fylingdales in Yorkshire, which was Fanny's birthplace.

Charlotte's father Robert Jermyn Cooper was a son of Reverend Robert Jermyn Cooper senior (1795-1872) and Arabella Harriet (*née* Wallington, 1797-1881, daughter of Edward Wallington, Esq., of The Park, Dursley).

### **Margaret Corstorphine (1863-1944)**

*Member:* 1909->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Margaret was born Margaret Buncle, daughter of Thomas Buncle (1820-1899), a newspaper proprietor and publisher at Arbroath, Angus. Her paternal grandmother, Elizabeth (*née* Miller), was a relative of the geologist Hugh Miller (1802-1856). Margaret married Robert (see below). Her plants are at the universities of St. Andrews and Dundee, and at Edinburgh Botanic Gardens.

### **Robert Henry Corstorphine (1874-1942)**

*Member:* 1909->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Corstorphine was born in Arbroath, Angus, a son of Henry Corstorphine (b. 1837/8), teacher of English and mathematics, and Margaret Clark (or Clerk) Henderson (*née* McFarlane, 1847), daughter of John McFarlane, Presbyterian minister at Hamilton, Lanarkshire. Henry Corstorphine was a son of Robert Corstorphine, a hand-loom linen-weaver of St. Andrews, Fife, and his wife Ann (*née* Wilson).

Robert Henry married Margaret Buncle (1863-1944), daughter of Thomas Buncle (1820-1899), a publisher and proprietor of a newspaper.

Corstorphine contributed ... to the exchange.

Corstorphine's plants and notes are at Dundee University, with others in the Department of Botany at the University of St. Andrews, Kew, Cardiff and Oxford.



### **Annie Julia Cottis (1876-1940)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Cottis gave her address as Technical College, Brighton in 1931 (cf. Mrs Bacon, above). In 1939 she was a lecturer in needlework, living in Brighton. She was born in Colchester, Essex, eldest daughter of John Cottis (1848-1890, brewer's clerk) and Anne (*née* Gregg, 1847-1899).

### **John Henry Crabtree (1863-1924)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Crabtree was born at Norden, near Rochdale. He was a son of John Crabtree (born 1831, Rochdale, who worked in the cotton industry in 1881) and Ann (Annie) (*née* Parker, 1823 Rochdale, daughter of Uriah Parker, 1799-1882, cotton weaver).

John Henry Crabtree married Martha Alice Stott (1866/7-1922, daughter of James Stott, born 1821/2 Rochdale) in 1888. John and Martha had four children: John Stott (1890-1891), James Parker (1891/2-1960, solicitor), Mary Annie (182/3), and Henry Victor (1898/9-1983, a medical student in 1911).

John Henry Crabtree was a schoolmaster in 1891, and in 1911 he was H.M. Inspector of Factories, living at Oldham. He studied fungi as well as bryophytes, and wrote several books in the 'How to Identify' series published by Charles H. Kelly, London.

John and Martha both died at Prestwich.

### **Alfred Cecil Cramp (1902-1986)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Alfred Cecil Cramp was a son of Alfred William Cramp, electrical engineer, and Minnie (*née* Wood). Alfred Cecil followed his father by becoming an electrical engineer, but taught at Palmer's Boys' School, Grays, Essex from at least 1926 until 1940. In 1939 he was living in Hornsey, Middlesex.

### **Frank Crosland (1894-1971)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Crosland was born and lived in Derby. His father Enoch (1859/60-1945) was a painter, and dealer in antique china and furniture. Enoch married Rebecca Bulliman (1857/8-1931) at Nottingham in 1883. Frank was a clerk to a rent and debt collector in 1911, a tutor of botany in 1939, and a commercial clerk in 1945. He did not marry.

### **Charles Crossland (1844-1916)**

*Member:* 1897-1907

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Crossland was a butcher in Halifax, Yorkshire, eldest son of Charles (1812-1883, a grocer and butcher) and Jane (*née* Smith, 1812-1874). Charles jr. married Mary Ann Cragg (1842-1869, a wool-sorter's daughter) in 1864. They had four children – Frances (born 1865), Charles (who died in 1868, aged 2), Frank (born 1867) and Kate (who died in 1869, aged one month). Mary died following the birth of her fourth child, and in 1871 Charles married Clementina Foster (1847-1938), a carpet-weaver's daughter. They had two daughters, Ada (b. 1872, Wyke, Yorkshire) and Agnes (b. 1875, Halifax).

Crossland was particularly interested in fungi. He contributed... to the exchange. His herbarium ....

### **John Cumming (1849-1931)**

*Member:* 1904-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Cumming was a newspaper journalist, born at Hatton of Fintray, Aberdeenshire. He married Dinah Sherwood Smith (1853-1942) in 1877. She was a daughter of Francis Smith (1823-1854) and Elizabeth Ellen *née* Morley (1822-1873). John and Dinah had nine children. Cumming joined the MEC in 1903.

### **Henry Alfred Cummins (1864-1938)**

*Member:* 1896

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Cummins was born at Black Rock, near Cork, Ireland, son of William Jackson Cummins (1823-1893), a physician, and his second wife Elizabeth Henrietta (*née* Poole, daughter of Thomas Poole). W. J. Cummins was a son of Robert King Cummins (1791-1836), merchant of Cork, and Mary (*née* Jackson, 1794-1882).

Henry's eldest brother, William Edward Ashley Cummins (1858-1923) became Professor of Medicine at the University of Cork, while Henry (after a career in the army, rising to the rank of Major) became Professor of Botany at Cork, specialising in fungi and lichens.

In 1894 Henry married Ethel Percy Hall, daughter of Robert Hall (b. *circa* 1813) of Waterford and Cork, and Jane (*née* Constable). They had a son and four daughters.

Prominent relatives of the couple included the writer and medium Geraldine Dorothy Cummins (1890-1969, a daughter of William Edward Ashley Cummins), the social worker Anne Emily Cummins (1869-1936), and the journal-editor and writer Samuel Carter Hall (1800-1889).

Cummins joined the MEC at its inception, but did not renew his subscription and contributed nothing to the exchange. His herbarium is ....

**Arthur Augustine Dallman (1883-1963)**

*Member:* 1905-1907

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Dallman was the eldest child of the Reverend Augustine Augustus Dallman (1861/2-1936) and Henrietta Mary (*née* Millington, 1862/3). In 1901 Arthur was apprenticed to a chemist, and in 1911 he was a science teacher. He married Florence Maud Thomas (1867/8-1949) in 1915, and Evelyn Maud Jacqueline Senior in 1954.

**Hugh Darton (1868-1941)**

*Member:* 1896-1899, 1902-1913, 1915-1918

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hugh Darton was the eldest child of Edward Hack Darton (1837/8-1912) and his wife Adeline (*née* Johnson, 1841/2-1913, daughter of John Johnson, born 1812). Edward Darton was a son of Thomas Gates Darton (1811-1887) and Margaret Emily (*née* Hack, 1814-1886). Edward Darton was a commercial traveller in 1871, and a bookbinder's manager in 1891, by which time Hugh had become a publisher's clerk. In 1901 Hugh

was a bank clerk. Hugh lived with a maternal aunt in Hertford in the late 1890s and early 20<sup>th</sup> century. In 1921 his address was Benninghoe, Hertford, but he was living at Commonsides, Russels Water, Henley-on-Thames in 1939 and at the time of his death. He did not marry.

Darton contributed.... to the exchange. The National Museum and Gallery of Wales at Cardiff has 69 specimens that he collected between 1893 and 1913.

### **Richard Davis (1883-1952)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Davis worked on the railways in Doncaster, Yorkshire. He was an engine fitter in 1901, and an engine erector in 1911. His father Joseph (1847/8-1909) was a machine-minder at a rivet-maker's.

Richard married Eliza [...] and they had a son Joseph Henry (born 1911) who was an engineer in 1952.

### **Thomas Dennis (1838/9-1925)**

*Member:* 1897-1919

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Thomas Dennis was a lifelong bachelor, and a solicitor's clerk in Hull, Yorkshire. He was born in Foggesthorpe, Yorkshire, an elder son of John Dennis (c. 1820/1-1850), a wheelwright, and Elizabeth (c. 1820/1->1901).

By 1861, the widow Elizabeth had moved with her children to Hull, where she set up home with Thomas and an unmarried daughter, Sarah, until at least 1901. Sarah (died 1927) became headmistress of an Art School. Thomas and Sarah continued to live together at 21 Peel Street, Kingston-upon-Hull after their mother died.

Dennis contributed.... to the exchange. His herbarium ....

### **Evelyn Mary Dill (née Whitehead, 1868-1948)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Evelyn was one of 12 children born to George Whitehead (born 1833 in Bradford, Yorkshire, MA, JP; died <1911), and Mary Jane (*née* Baines, 1842, Colne, Lancashire; died >1911).

Evelyn married Robert Foster Dill (see below) in 1912.

### **Robert Foster Dill (1859-1947)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Robert Dill was a son of Reverend Samuel Marcus Dill (1812-1870) and Anna Harrison (*née* Moreland, 1823-1905). Robert married Evelyn Mary Whitehead (see above) in 1912, and was headmaster of Foyle College, Londonderry. He and Evelyn retired to Hampton Park, Hereford.

### **Hugh Neville Dixon (1861-1944)**

*Member:* 1896-1944

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Dixon joined the MEC at its foundation, and is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Mary Dixon (1860-1943)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mary Dixon (*née* Pressland) was Hugh Dixon's (see above) wife.

### **Alfred John Dodd (1883-1963)**

*Member:* ?1921-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Dodd was a gardener's son, born at Swanwick, Derbyshire, and was a chemist's assistant in 1901. He was living at 19 Church Street, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire in 1921. Perhaps he knew John Duncan (see below) when he moved to Stratford in the early 1920s. By 1924 Dodd had moved to Felley Priory, Jacksdale, Nottinghamshire. In 1926-7 he was living at 128 Myddleton Road, Bowes Park, London N22, and later moved to Somerset, where he studied the local fungi. Dodd's mosses are at the Natural History Museum in London.

### **Hubert Frederick Dovaston (1916-1967)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Dovaston was born in West Derby, Liverpool, a son of Hubert Charles Dovaston (1890-1969, a clerk at a leather belting manufacturer's in 1901) and Margaret Annie (*née* Shakespeare, 1889-1968). He married Cherry Fraser Barnes (1916-1979) in Liverpool in 1941.

Dovaston's address was the West of Scotland Agricultural College, Auchincruive, Ayrshire in 1940. He died in Ayrshire.

### **Harold Downes (1867-1937), FLS**

*Member:* 1917->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Downes was born at Staverton, Devon, a son of William Downes (b. 1837/8), curate of Kentisbeere, Devon in 1881, and Emily Frances (*née* Whyte, 1837/8-?1912). Emily's father, Charles Whyte (c. 1795-1881) graduated from the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh, and became an inspector of army hospitals.

Downes followed his maternal grandfather into the medical profession, and was a medical student in 1901, and living at Ditton Lane, Ilminster, Somerset when he joined the MEC in 1917. He was still there in 1923, but thereafter his name disappears from the list of members, but was still living in Ilminster when he died. He married Harriett Taylor in 1911. His plants are at Taunton Museum.

### **Frederic ("Eric") Drabble (1877/8-1933)**

*Member:* 1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Drabble lived at 191, Seabank Road, New Brighton in 1905. He was born at Hasland, near Chesterfield, a son of John Drabble (1834/5-1908, commission agent and merchant) and Elizabeth Hackett (*née* Kent, 1843-1927, daughter of Henry Kent, an elastic web manufacturer).

Eric was a medical student at London in 1901, and in that year became a lecturer in botany at St. Thomas's Hospital Medical School. In 1903 he took up a lectureship at the Royal College of Science (cf. Gibbs and Horne, below), moving to Liverpool University (1905-6), and then Northern Polytechnic Institute, Holloway, north London (1906-24).

Drabble married Hilda Lake (1881-1965, daughter of Thomas Henry Lake, miller and corn merchant of Truro) in 1906. They had no children in 1911. Eric died at Totland Bay, Isle of Wight in 1933, leaving estate valued at £6,387.

**George Claridge Druce (1850-1932)**

*Member:* ?1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Druce is mainly remembered as a botanist of vascular plants (he joined the Botanical Locality Record Club – forerunner of the Botanical Exchange Club – in 1876, while still in Northampton) than of bryophytes, but he joined the MEC in ?1921, when he was living at Yardley Lodge, Oxford. Druce maintained his membership until 1923.

**Dr George Mellis Duncan (1873-1935)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Duncan was born in Huntly, Aberdeenshire, a son of James Duncan and Jane Anne (*née* Mellis), and married Anne Geddes Bennett (died 1947), who was a nurse. Duncan was a clinical pathologist and bacteriologist, and lived at 72 Rubislaw Den North, Aberdeen towards the end of his life. He left estate valued at £9,359.

**John Bishop Duncan (1869-1953)**

*Member:* 1904-1953

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Duncan joined the MEC in 1910 and is the subject of a separate ‘Bygone Bryologists’ article. He was living at Sunnymede, Maidenhead Road, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire in 1921, but by 1924 had moved to 6, Summerhill Terrace, Berwick-on-Tweed.

### **Ursula Katharine Duncan (1911-1985)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Duncan is the subject of a separate ‘Bygone Bryologists’ article.

### **Ambrose Ellis Aspinall Dunstan (1895-1975)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Dunstan was born at Donhead St. Mary, Wiltshire, a son of Frederick Warburton Dunstan (1851-1915, barrister and solicitor) and Louisa Florence Camilla (*née* Gwatkin, 1856-1922, daughter of Frederick Gwatkin, 1809-1873, and Louisa Isabella *née* Stapleton, daughter of the Reverend Ambrose Stapleton, rector of Halwell).

Dunstan married Ellen Mignon Leonora [...] (1900-1978).

### **Rev. David Charles Edwards (1851-1916)**

*Member:* 1898-1903

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Edwards was living at The [Methodist] College, Bala when he joined the MEC in 1898. He was a son of the Reverend Lewis Edwards (1809-1887, Calvinist minister and college principal, see *Dictionary of National Biography*) and Jane (*née* Charles, 1813/4-1878, granddaughter of Thomas Charles (1755-1814, Methodist minister, see *Dictionary of National Biography*).

David’s elder brother Thomas Charles Edwards (1837-1900) became the first principal of the University College of Wales at Aberystwyth.



David Edwards married Annie Charles (1855/6-1915); they may have been cousins. David and Annie had three children: Ieuan Charles (born 1882/3, who became an estate agent at Handsworth, Birmingham), Jane Charles (1883/4) and Llewelyn Charles (1885/6). David and Annie both died at Hafod y Bryn, Llanbedr, Merionethshire.

### **Edward Arthur Elliot (1890-1960)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Reverend Elliott resided at Longstone Vicarage, Bakewell, Derbyshire in 1932. By the following year he had moved to **Crikley Vicarage, Derby, and then to Cubley Vicarage, Derby**. By 1946 he was living at South Stoke Vicarage, near Reading.

He was born at Kingsbridge, Devon, a son of Edmund Arthur Savage Elliot (1857-1925, physician and surgeon) and Edith Fanny (*née* Arthur, 1866/7). Edward married Doris Kate Armson (*née* 1899). Edward Elliot died at Oxford.

### **Edward James Elliott (1848/9-1927)**

*Member:* 1896->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Elliott was a printer and stationer at Stroud, Gloucestershire, who printed the Club's Reports from 1896 until .... He was born at Nailsworth, Gloucestershire, eldest of five children born to John Elliott (b. 1824/5) and Ann(e) (b. 1822/3). John Elliott was a printer and bookseller, employing two men and two apprentices in 1861, and his eldest son followed him into the business.

In 1875 Edward married Maria (or Mary) Ann Bell (b. 1850, Appleby, Westmorland, a daughter of Andrew Bell, woollen draper, and his first wife Isabella). Edward and Maria had three children – Annie Isabel (b. 1876), Arthur Edward B. (b. 1883), and Herbert William (b. 1886, who was a timber merchant in 1927). Maria died in 1901, and Edward remarried the following year.

His second wife was Blanche Eliza Mower (1876-1963), a daughter of Isaac Mower, a farmer (1839-1900) and Lydia Leonora (*née* Riddiford 1846-1916). Edward and Blanche had four children: May Victoria Mower (1903-1997), William Isaac Riddiford (born 1905), Reginald Frederick (1907-1994) and Douglas James (1910-?1940).

In 1923-6 Edward Elliott was living at 56 High Street, Stroud. At the time of his death he was residing at 19 Nelson Street, Stroud.

Elliott contributed ....

Another early member of the MEC, George Holmes (see below) also lived in Stroud, and the two men bryologised together, finding *Rhynchostegium rotundifolium* near Stroud (the second known British locality).

Elliott's herbarium ....

### **Edward Henry Ellis (1901-1985)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Ellis worked at the British Museum (now the Natural History Museum) from 1916 until 1935. In 1939 he was a technical consultant (chemistry and biology), and in 1951 his occupation was given as "chemist". He was born in London, a son of Henry Ellis (1868-1966), grocer of London and Eleanor Louise (*née* Langdon, 1869-1951. Henry Ellis was a son of Rowland Ellis, grocer, and Maria Sophia (*née* East, daughter of John East).

Edward Henry Ellis married Marguerite Muriel Beach (1889-1978) in London in 1931. Marguerite was a daughter of William Henry Beach (1854-1923), publisher, and Annie (*née* Guy, 1859-1929).

Ellis died in Warminster, Wiltshire, leaving estate valued at £47,848.

### **Joseph Else, FRBS (1874-1955)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Else drew mosses. He was Principal of the Nottingham School of Art from 1923 until 1939. He was born in Nottingham, a son of William Else (1828-1912, boot and shoe maker) by his second marriage to Eliza (*née* Cowlshaw, 1842-1928).

Joseph Else married Maria Elizabeth Else (born in Leicester 1876; died at Belper, Derbyshire in 1963) in 1902; they had two daughters and a son: Mary Aileen E. (1905-1989), Winfred Norah B. (1905/6-1975) and Norman John (1907/8-1994).

### **Dr. Alexander Williams Evans (1868-1959)**

*Member: ?1923-???*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Evans was curator of botany at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, U.S.A. from 1895 until 1947. He was particularly interested in liverworts, and latterly also studied lichens. His herbarium is at Yale.

### **Evan Price Evans (1882-1959)**

*Member: 1903-4*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Evans was interested in the ecology of plants. He was born in Corris, Merionethshire, and became a teacher, first at Towyn, then at Ryhope (Co. Durham), and then headmaster at Warrington Grammar School. He died at Eastbourne, Sussex.

Evans was the son of Evan William Evans (born 1843/4 at Dolgellau, a quarryman) and Anne Allman (*née* ?Thomas, 1845/6 at Towyn). He married Dorothy Bass (born Manchester, 1882, daughter of John Slingsby Bass, timber merchant) in 1909, and they had a son Iorys Bass Pryce Evans (1910-1983).

### **Reverend Thomas Eli Evans (1871-1943)**

*Member: 1907-1914*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium: Cardiff*

Evans lived at Aneddfa, Cellan, Lampeter when he joined the MEC in 1907. He lived at Braeside, Aberdare, Glamorgan in 1910. He was the youngest son of the Reverend Jonah Evans (1836-1896), independent Congregational minister and schoolmaster at Llansawel, Carmarthenshire, and Catherine (*née* Davies). Thomas wrote a book in Welsh as a tribute to his father (*Blodeuglwm i Goffa y Parch. Jonah Evans: athro Ysgol Ramadegol, Llansawel*), published in 1907. It contains a family tree which is mostly in English. He also wrote *Cymanfaoedd Annibynwyr Lerpwl* (1902). Thomas married Mary Hannah Griffiths (born 1870/1) and they had a daughter, Dorothy George Evans, who was a gifted pianist; she was born in 1898/9 and died in the early 1980s. At the time of his death, Thomas was living at The Manse, Pentretygwyn, Llandovery, Carmarthenshire.

The National Museum and Gallery of Wales at Cardiff has about 100 of Evans's gatherings.

### **Elizabeth Evitt (1890-1950)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Elizabeth was a daughter of John Evitt (1857-1926, an iron plate worker) and Julia (*née* Whitehead). Elizabeth was born in Buckhurst Hill, Essex, and died in West Norwood, Surrey. She did not marry.

### **Peter Ewing (1849-1913)**

*Member:* 1908-1913

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Ewing is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article. Perhaps Ewing knew James Stirton, and also St. John Marriott (see below), who lived in Glasgow for a period, and joined the MEC in the same year.

### **William Leigh Williamson Eyre (1841-1914)**

*Member:* 1897-1904

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Eyre's father was William Thomas Eyre (1794/5-1868), rector of Padbury, Buckinghamshire, where several previous generations of Eyres had held the living. William junior's mother was Frances (*née* Williamson at Guisborough, Yorkshire, *circa* 1807-1881).

After going to sea, Eyre returned to train for the Church. His first curacy was that of Sheriffhales in Staffordshire (1865-8), from where he went to West Dean, Wiltshire (1868-70), Huntley in Gloucestershire (1870-2), then Northchurch, Hertfordshire (1872-5), before becoming rector of Swarraton, near Alresford, Hampshire, and vicar of Northington, Hampshire.

In 1870, Eyre married Caroline Emma Hunt (1834-1900), a daughter of Thomas Hunt (?1796-1859), Rector of Wentnor and West Felton, Shropshire. William and Caroline had a daughter, Lucy Jane Caroline (b. 1871).

Eyre was particularly interested in fungi, becoming President of the British Mycological Society in 1902. He also studied brambles (*Rubus* species). He contributed ... to the

MEC's exchange. His herbarium .... Some of his collections are at the Haslemere Educational Museum, Winchester, Hampshire.

**Mr J.G. Finlay (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Finlay was living at 27 Botanic Road, Glasnevin, Dublin in 1937. Was he John Gray Finlay, who married Gladys Constance McRae in Dublin in 1930?

**Mr. C.H. Fletcher (???-???)**

*Member:* 1920-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Fletcher lived at Apsley House, Albion Road, Scarborough when he joined the MEC in 1920, and may have known Florence Bentham, Ernest Horrell and Helen Bruce (q.v.), who also lived in Scarborough. Fletcher was no longer a member by 1923. Perhaps he was Charles Hartley Fletcher (born 1858/9, Liverpool; died 1940, Scarborough; a railway engineer's inspector). Alternatively, was he Charles H. Fletcher (born 1857, retired railway worker, widowed), living at 15 Albion Road, Scarborough in 1939?

**Grace Freeth (1881-1967)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Freeth, FRGS, was a schoolteacher, and living in London when she joined the BBS in 1931. In 1939 she was a secondary schoolteacher, living in Leatherhead, Surrey. She was the eldest daughter of Francis Habgood Freeth (1853-1920, dairyman and wholesale milk contractor) and Lydia (*née* Pocock, 1858-1945).

**Joseph Froehlich (1891-1966)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Dr Froehlich lived in Vienna in 1935.

### **Eva Jennie Fry (1893-1948)**

*Member:* 1915->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Fry, M.Sc., was at University College, Aberystwyth when she joined the MEC in 1915, and would have known Professor Lloyd Williams, and possibly T.A. Stevenson (see below). She was the second of three children born to Albert Arthur Fry (1861-1937), an elementary schoolteacher, and Ellen (*née* .., 1863/4). In 1924 she was living at 117 Millbrook Street, Southampton. Her name disappears from the list of members after that. In 1925 she became lecturer in botany at Westfield College, London, and married Spencer Savage (1886-1966) in 1932. In 1939 they were living in Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire.

### **Theodore Christian Frye (1869-1962)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Frye was Professor of Botany at the University of Washington, Seattle.

### **Samuel Gasking (1852-1925)**

*Member:* 1898-1902

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Gasking was the second of four children born to William Gasking (1825/6-1867) and Catherine (*née* Costain, 1825/6-?1865). The Costains came from the Isle of Man. Richard Costain (1839-1900) founded and built up a building and construction company which although modestly sized but profitable in Gasking's time, became worth over £100 million in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century. William Gasking, however, was a dock gateman at Liverpool in 1861. The Gaskings and Costains had connections in both Liverpool and the Isle of Man.

Samuel Gasking trained for and entered the priesthood, as did his younger brother John Trist Gasking (1858-1935). Samuel graduated from Durham in 1882 but by then had already begun his ecclesiastical career with spells at Dunkinfield (1879-80) and then Bradden (?Baldwin), Isle of Man (1880-2). From there he went to Garston (1883-5), St.

Helens (1885-7), then became SPCK chaplain to emigrants at Liverpool (1887-9), curate at Skelmersdale (1889-96), and chaplain to West Derby Union at Liverpool (1896-1921).

He also became chaplain to the jail at Walton, Liverpool, where James Alfred Wheldon (see below) was the pharmacist, so perhaps Wheldon – the more accomplished bryologist - introduced Gasking to bryology.

In 1901 Gasking was residing at 22 Yewtree Road, Walton-on-the-hill, Liverpool, and continued to live there for the rest of his life. He also had a residence at The Nest, Dandy Hill, Port Erin, Isle of Man.

Samuel married Anne Elizabeth Glover (b. 1841) at Liverpool in 1873. They had six children – Edith Elizabeth A. was born at Liverpool in 1876, and was an electrical instrument-fitter in 1901. Samuel St. Clair Costain was born at ?Oxton, Cheshire in 1879, was working as a wine-merchant's clerk in 1901, and a supervising engineer in 1925. Eustace William Trist was born on the Isle of Man in 1881/2, and became a solicitor. Douglas Montagu Villiers was born at ?Lumley, Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham in 1882, and entered the priesthood. Kenneth was the fifth-born, at Liverpool in 1889, and Edward the sixth, also at Liverpool in 1895/6.

Gasking joined the MEC in 1899, and remained a member until 1902. He contributed .... His herbarium .... Some of his plants are in the Natural History Museum in London, with a few more at Cardiff.

### **Anthony (or Antony) Gepp (1862-1955)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Gepp was a son of Reverend Edward Francis Gepp (1819-1903) and Eliza Jemima (*née* Branfill, 1822-1907). Eliza was descended from John Egerton (1623-1686, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Bridgwater, see *Dictionary of National Biography*) and William Cavendish (c.1593-1676, 1<sup>st</sup> Duke of Newcastle, see *DNB*).

Anthony Gepp was an algologist employed at the Natural History Museum in London. His elder brother Maurice (1859-1947) was a medical officer of health at Shrewsbury, and a keen amateur botanist.

In 1902 Anthony married Ethel Sarel Barton (1864-1922, daughter of Alfred Bowyer Barton (1826-1905, physician) and Editha Helen (*née* Howell, 1841-1883). Anthony and Ethel had a daughter Damaris Editha (1905-1988) and a son Egerton Antony (1908-1998). In 1911 Ethel was working as a part-time, unpaid botanical assistant at the Natural History Museum.

### **Margaret Betty Gerrans (1920-1978)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* Natural History Museum

Miss Gerrans was born at Brentford, Middlesex, and died in Hounslow. She was a typist in 1939, and a daughter of Allen Alfred Gerrans (1882-1961) and Edith Henrietta May (*née* Tipton, 1885-1962). Allen Gerrans was a clerk at a brewer's in 1911, and an export clerk in 1939.

### **Miss Lilian Suzette Gibbs (1870-1925)**

*Member:* 1904-1908

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lilian (or Lillian) Gibbs was a daughter of Richard Birkett Gibbs (1829-1873) and Suzette Laura (*née* Baeyertz, 1844). Richard Gibbs was born at Cheshunt, Hertfordshire, and emigrated to Victoria, Australia, where he co-owned a mining company, married Suzette in 1862, and died in 1873. Lilian's sister Madeline Sarah married The Hon. Francis Almeric Butler, son of John Van-Sittart Danvers (later Butler), Earl of Lanesborough.

Miss Gibbs was living at 9 South Street, Thurloe Square, London SW when she joined the MEC in 1904. She trained at Swanley Horticultural College (1899-1901) and then enrolled to study botany at the Royal College of Science (now Imperial College London) in South Kensington. She travelled widely overseas in search of plants, and collected bryophytes in New Zealand. She died in Tenerife, leaving estate valued at £21,015.

### **James Glover (1844/5-1925)**

*Member:* 1905-1925

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Glover was a son of James Glover, a farmer. In 1864, James the son married Mary Palmer, daughter of Robert Palmer, fisherman and shoemaker. James and Mary had six children, at least two of whom followed James into the teaching profession.

James was a schoolmaster in Dublin. He was living at 9 Shore Row, Kircubben, County Down in 1911, at which time he was a widower and shared his home with three



unmarried children: James (born 1871/2, a teacher), Ruth (born 1872/3, also a teacher), and Sarah (born 1882/3, no occupation cited in 1911). Glover was living at Sea View, Kircubbin, County Down in 1905 and 1921. By 1923 his address was The Glebe, Kircubbin, Co. Down. His bryophytes are at Oxford. The National Museum and Gallery of Wales, Cardiff has 132 of his specimens (49 of which are bryophytes), mainly from Ireland and some from Renfrewshire.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1925), page 183.

### **George Henry Goode (1875-1944)**

*Member:* 1916->1920

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Goode lived at 86 Adams Avenue, Northampton when he joined the MEC in 1916. He was no longer a member by 1923. Perhaps he knew Hugh Dixon, who also lived in Northampton.

### **John Marshall Grant (1849-1934)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Grant was born in Ohio, USA, a son of Michael B. Grant (1815-1883) and Susan Carr (1816-1891). John Grant became a schoolteacher in Indiana, in 1870 moved to Nebraska where he farmed, and then to Washington in 1878, where he established a commercial nursery. He married Cyrena Jane Brown (1858-1934) with whom he had three sons and two daughters. Grant died at Marysville, Snohomish County, Washington, USA.

### **Frederick William Gray (1878-1960)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Reverend Gray was a Presbyterian minister in West Virginia, USA. He was very interested in fungi and lichens, and specialized in growing *Gladiolus* species.

### **Abel Joel Grout (1867-1947)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Grout was a prominent American bryologist who lived in Vermont, USA.

### **James Groves (1858-1933), FLS**

*Member:* 1918->1923  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

James Groves was the third child of James Groves (1824/5-<1871), a railway clerk, and Eleanor (*née* Stewart, 1819/20). The family lived mainly in London, but James junior was born at Aldershot, Hampshire.

Groves worked in Army and Navy stores, and was living at Trevarthian, Yarmouth, Freshwater Bay, Isle of Wight when he joined the MEC in 1918. That was still his address in 1926-7. His plants are at the Natural History Museum and Oxford.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 3 (1933), page 172. An obituary in *Journal of Botany* (1933, pages 136-9) includes a portrait.

### **Istvan Gyorffy (1880-1959)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Gyorffy was a Hungarian botanist. He founded the botanical garden at Szeged in 1922.

### **Leslie Beeching Hall (1878-1945)**

*Member:* 1904-1905  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Hall was living at Ivy House, Christ Church, Hampstead Square, London NW when he joined the MEC in 1903. In 1905 he was living at 33 Prince Parade, Church End, Finchley, London N. He was a manager at a timber merchant's in 1901, and a maker of surgical equipment in 1911.

He was one of eleven children born to Arthur Hall (1823/4-1919, Congregational minister) and Ellen Jane (*née* Craig, 1837/8-1927). He married Ethel Agnes Scott Coxeter (1880/1-1960) in 1905. By 1911 they had no children.

### **William Phillips Hamilton (1840-1910)**

*Member:* 1896-1910

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hamilton is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **George Thomas Harris (c.1858-1938)**

*Member:* 1914-1918

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Harris was a married, self-employed photographer in 1901, and a photographic publisher in 1911. He was born in Halesowen or Stourbridge, Worcestershire, probably a son of Thomas Harris (born 1830/31, Presteigne, Radnorshire), a baker, and Annie (*née* Brown, daughter of William Brown, a stonemason of Worcester). George married Anna Woolsey (or Wolsey) Wood (born 1875/6 in U.S.A.) in London in 1900, and moved to Devon in 1904. He was living at Knowle Park, Sidmouth when he joined the MEC in 1914. He was no longer a member in 1923, and died at Splatt Hayes, Buckerell, Devon in November 1938.

Harris was particularly interested in freshwater algae and diatoms, and had a collection of botanical photographs. His herbarium is at Exeter University.

### **Thomas Maxwell Harris (1903-1983)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* Reading University

Harris was born in Leicester, a son of Alexander Charles Harris (born 1872/3, Colne, Wiltshire) and Lucy Frances (*née* Maxwell, 1870/1, Poplar, London). In 1928 he married Katherine Massey (1900-1984).

Harris was Professor of Botany at Reading University from 1934 until 1968.

### **John Wilson Hartley (1866-1939)**

*Member:* ?1903->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hartley was born in Carnforth, Lancashire, a son of John Hartley (1840/1-???, grocer and provisions dealer).

He married Caroline Cornelia Moore (1857-1929) in 1895, and succeeded his father in business as a grocer and shopkeeper. In 1901, he was living at Mill Head House, Carnforth, Lancashire. His address was unchanged by 1926-7.

He studied the flora of the dunes on the Isle of Man, and his plants are at the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff.

### **Henry Herbert Harvey (1865-?1925)**

*Member:* 1911->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Harvey was born in Oxford, and may have been a son of Henry Harvey (b. 1842/3), a college servant, and Harriett (*née* ..., 1846/7). In 1901 Henry Herbert was a Church of England clergyman living in Torquay, Devon, and married to Ada Ellen (*née* Richards).

Harvey was living at Clawton, Holsworthy, North Devon in 1921. His name disappears from the list of members after 1924. Perhaps he was the Henry Herbert Harvey who died at Willesby, Spalding, Lincolnshire in 1935. Harvey's plants are at Kew, the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff, and the museum of Torquay Natural History Society.

### **Frederick Haxby (1875-1942)**

*Member:* 1915->1926

*Bryological activity:*

Haxby was probably a son of Ralph Haxby (d. 1904), saddler of Bradford, Yorkshire, and Elizabeth (*née* Mason). In 1901 he was a warehouseman. Haxby joined the MEC in 1915, when he was living at 11, Necropolis Road, Lidget Green, Bradford. In 1924 he moved to 15 Hollingwood Mount, Lidget Green, Bradford. He remained a member until >1926, and contributed ... to the exchange. His herbarium is at the City Art Gallery and Museum in Bradford.

### **William Joseph Hayward (1896-1963)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

The Very Reverend Hayward was a Catholic priest who taught at a school for deaf and dumb children in Manchester. He was born in London, a son of George Henry Hayward (1871-1941, a cab driver and groom in 1901) and Mary Harriett (*née* Perry, 1874-1947, daughter of Joseph Perry, housekeeper).

### **Anne Grace Hebson (1876-1948)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Hebson was born and died in Kendal, Westmorland. She was working as a pianoforte teacher in 1911. She was a daughter of Henry Hebson (1848/9-1926, a feeding stuffs agent for a cake company in Kendal in 1911) and Margaret (*née* Dewar, 1850-1909). She remained unmarried. Anne had an elder sister Margaret Dewar Hebson (born 1874) and two brothers (John born in 1878, and Henry born 1879/80).

### **James Helsby (1867-1943)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Helsby was a railway clerk in 1911. By 1939 he had retired unmarried to Bangor, Caernarvonshire. He was born in Rainhill, Lancashire, a younger son of John Helsby (1830/1-1887, a farm labourer) and Elizabeth (*née* Harrison, 1828/9). One of James's elder brothers was Isaac Helsby (1859-1940), an engineering draughtsman who settled with his family in Watford. James also later went to live in Watford.

### **Joseph Hennen (1852-1927)**

*Member:* ?1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hennen lived at 115, Chaussée d'Anvers, Capellen, Belgium when he joined the MEC in ?1921. By 1926 he had moved to Antwerp.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1926-7), page 321.

### **Theodor Carl Herzog (1880-1961)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Herzog was born in Freiburg. He became professor of botany at Munich, and later at Jena. He studied mosses, and later concentrated on liverworts.

### **Mary Hewlett (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Hewlett taught at Greenhead High School, Huddersfield. Perhaps she was Mary Hewlett (born 1886/7), daughter of Frederick Daniel Passeo Hewlett, schoolmaster of Littlemore, Oxfordshire, and Eliza Ann (*née* Christmas).

### **H... H... Higgins (???-???)**

*Member:* ?1906-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mr H. H. Higgins of Bank House, Llandovery, Carmarthenshire joined the MEC in [???] 1906 and remained a member for about two years. Perhaps he knew Henry Herbert Knight (see below), who taught at Llandovery until 1907. Was he Herbert Henry Higgins, who died in 1934 at West Wickham, Kent?

### **Daisy Hilary (1883-1959)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Hilary taught science, and lived in Knaresborough, West Yorkshire in 1939. She was a daughter of Robert Henry Hilary (1846-1890, a master linen draper in 1881, and a

warehouseman in 1884) and Emily (*née* Oxtoby, 1849-1924, daughter of Thomas Oxtoby, born 1810, a woodturner).

Daisy was born and died in Bingley, Yorkshire.

### **Miss Jean Olive Dorothy Hillcoat (1904-1990)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Hillcoat was born in Lewisham, London, a second daughter to John Hillcoat (born Glasgow, 1862/3-1919, an accountant for an insurance company in 1911) and Millicent Ada (*née* ....., at Stratton St. Mary, Norfolk in 1875). Millicent died in 1950.

Miss Hillcoat was living at 52 Trinity Rise, Tulse Hill, London SW2 in 1930, Oakhill Road, Putney in 1936, and Upper Richmond Road, Wandsworth with her widowed mother in 1939, when she gave her occupation as “taxonomic botany”). She died in Chorleywood, Hertfordshire.

### **William Hodge (c.1875-1912)**

*Member:* 1911

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hodge lived at 35, The Crescent, Leftwich, Northwich in 1911/12. He was born in Scotland, and by 1901 he was a schoolteacher and boarding in Northwich. He also contributed to the Botanical Exchange Club’s annual exchange of vascular plants.

### **Eliza Amy Hodgson (*née* Campbell, 1888-1983)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mrs Hodgson lived in Napier, New Zealand. She married John Hodgson, a farmer, with whom she had four children. In 1925 the family moved to Kiwi Valley, south of Wairoa, where George Osborne King Sainsbury (1880-1957) was a neighbour; he and Amy became friends and encouraged each other’s bryological studies. Amy specialized in liverworts.

### **George Holmes (1834/5-1909)**

*Member:* 1898-1909

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Holmes was superintendent of a cemetery at Stroud, Gloucestershire, where he knew and bryologised with Edward James Elliott (see above) who also lived in Stroud. Together they found *Rhynchostegium rotundifolium* near Stroud (the second known British locality).

Holmes was born at Teynham, Kent, the youngest of four sons born to John (b. *circa* 1798), an agricultural labourer, and Ann (*née* Sears, *circa* 1799). He married Mary Hannah Cox (*née* Twissell 1842-1913), widow of Charles Cox (died 1871) in 1892. She was a daughter of Isaac Twissell (1811-1894), cabinet-maker, and Lois (*née* Bissell 1815-1871). George and Mary had no children.

Holmes joined the MEC in 1897 (the year after Elliott joined), and remained a member until his death. He contributed .... His herbarium resides at Stroud and District Museum.

### **Herbert John Holmes (1872-1966)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Holmes was a son of John Holmes (c.1836-1908, gardener and farmer) and Harriet Mary Ann (*née* Marchant, 1841/2). He married Edith Miriam Lawrence (1872-1939) in 1898, and was a retired civil servant in 1939, when he lived at 129 Dunmow Road, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire.

### **Arthur Samuel Horne (1876-1958)**

*Member:* 1904-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Horne was an assistant schoolmaster at Exeter in 1901, and gave his occupation as "B.Sc." in 1911. When he joined the MEC in 1904, he gave his address as "Royal College of Science, South Kensington, London SW".

Arthur Horne was a son of Samuel James Horne (1851/2-1919, timber merchant and commercial traveller) and Emma (*née* Clifford, c.1849-1916). Arthur married Eleanor Violet Esling (1891-1944) in 1912, and Norah Margaret Fairburn (1890-1986) in 1946.



### **Ernest Charles Horrell (1871-1944)**

*Member:* 1898-1904

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Horrell is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article. Perhaps he knew Florence Bentham, Helen Bruce and C.H. Fletcher (q.v.), who also lived in Scarborough.

### **George Frederick Horsley (1879-1962)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:* Horsley was especially interested in *Sphagnum* species.

*Herbarium:*

Horsley was born in India, a son of Stephen Horsley (1847-1901, civil engineer and amateur naturalist) and Marion Agnes (*née* Gibb, 1849-1914, daughter of James Mitchell Gibb, 1808-1890).

In 1904 Horsley married Teresa Ada O'Hanlon (1881-1955), daughter of William Palliser O'Hanlon (1849-1898) and Rachel (*née* Booth, 1857-1930). George Frederick and Teresa had four children.

Horsley was a research chemist living at Frodsham, Cheshire in 1911, and a chemical engineer in 1926. He lived at Richmond in Yorkshire for the latter part of his life.

### **Arthur Reginald Horwood (1879-1937)**

*Member:* 1898->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Horwood was the second child of Francis Edward Horwood (1847-1919), curate of Kingsthorpe, Northamptonshire in 1881, and Alice Sarah (*née* Whereat, 1846/7-1912). Francis Edward married secondly Emma Jane Smith in 1913, and was living at the rectory in South Croxton, Leicestershire when he died.

By 1901, Arthur was an assistant schoolmaster, and in the following year he joined the staff of the Museum at Leicester, where he remained for 20 years. He became an assistant at the herbarium at Kew from 1924 until 1937, and was contributing to the Botanical Exchange Club's annual exchange of vascular plants in 1911. Horwood married Adelaide Elizabeth Phoebe Bridge (b. 1885) in 1924.

Horwood joined the MEC in 1906, and remained a member until 1924, after which his name does not appear in the lists of members. He contributed .... to the exchange.

He also took interest in lichens, as did Henry Reader (see below), who also lived in Leicester at one time. Horwood founded the Lichen Exchange Club, which ran from 1907 until 1914, and in 1913 he issued *A Handlist of the Lichens of Great Britain, Ireland and the Channel Islands*.

Horwood also introduced Frederick Archibald Sowter (1899-1972) and Arthur Edward Wade (1895-1989) to cryptogamic botany when they were both schoolboys in Leicester.

His plants are at the National Museum and Gallery of Wales in Cardiff, at Kew, Leicester Museum, and Ulster Museum.

### **Ethel Mary Hough (1879-1960)**

*Member:* 1904->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Ethel Hough was born at Codsall, Staffordshire, a daughter of Joseph Hough (1837/8-1924), a science and mathematics teacher, and Harriet Fisher (*née* Hickman 1849/50, daughter of Shadrach Hickman, farmer). Ethel taught science at Bradford in 1910, but had moved back to Codsall Wood, Wolverhampton by 1912. She later became a schoolmistress at Brentwood, Essex. She died at South Green, Southwold, Suffolk, leaving estate valued at £34,512.

### **James Dick Houston (1878-1954)**

*Member:* 1914->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Houston was a son of the Reverend James Dick Houston (1835-1910/1) and Ann Murray (*née* Anderson). His elder brother William Anderson Houston (1871-1953) was professor of mathematics at University College Galway (1907-12) and subsequently a civil servant.

James Dick Houston jr. married Ethel Rose Cowen, and they had a son John Kenneth Lacy Houston (1914-1990) who died in Kurunda, Queensland, Australia. James Dick Houston married secondly married Hester Cassidy (*née* ....).

Houston joined the MEC in 1914/5, when he was living at Bridge Street, Kilrea, County Derry. He remained a member of the MEC and then BBS until his death. Houston later moved to Lurgan, Co. Armagh, and then to Elphin, Co. Roscommon. In 1921 he was living at Bank House, Elphin, County Roscommon, in 1926 he was at Northern Bank House, Kilrea, C. Kerry, and in 1946 he was residing at 11 Portrush Road, Portstewart, Co. Derry, and by the time of his death had returned to Kilrea, where he lived in Bank Square.

Houston contributed ... to the exchange. His herbarium is at ...

### **Alfred Wickens Hudson (1856-1928)**

*Member:* 1904-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hudson was a chemist and druggist of Cranbrook, Kent. His parents were Alfred Hudson (1820-1887, shoemaker and cordwainer) and Mary Ann (*née* Wickens, 1820-1856). Alfred married Elizabeth Goldsmith in 1880 (1858-1934) and they had two children: Herbert Ernest (1885/6) and Dorothy Mabel (1893/4).

### **Henry Humphreys (1844-1917)**

*Member:* 1904-1906

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Humphreys was a physician and surgeon, son of Charles Humphreys (1805-1870, surveyor, who left estate valued at <£12,000) and Elizabeth (*née* Float, 1813-1880). He was born in London. In 1881 Henry and Louisa lived in Hastings, Sussex. In 1901 they lived in Torquay, Devon. Henry died in Richmond, Surrey.

Henry married Louisa Duncan (1845-1919), daughter of Edward Duncan (1806-1848, surgeon) and Ann Eliza (*née* Glascott, 1818).

### **John Hunter (1861/2-1918)**

*Member:* 1896-1918

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hunter was born in Donegal, Ireland. He was a customs officer, and remained in that profession all his working life, moving to Londonderry (1896-8, where he might

conceivably have met John Benson Parker – see below – who also collected taxes for the government), Belfast (1901), Co. Down (1902-4), Edinburgh (1905-8), Cheshire (1909-12), Co. Sligo (1913) and finally the Isle of Man (1914-18).

Hunter married Victoria Madeline (*née* 1872/3-...) who survived him. They had three children: Kathleen Mary (born 1895/6), John (1897/8) and Gerald Ross (1902/3).

Hunter joined the MEC in 1896 and remained a member until his death. The herbaria at Cardiff have bryophytes that he collected from Donegal, Down, Midlothian, Perthshire and the Isle of Man.

### **Cecil Prescott Hurst (1866-1956)**

*Member:* ?1921-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Cecil Hurst was the eldest child of Henry Alexander Hurst (c.1825-1882), merchant of Lancashire, and Frances Ellen (*née* Prescott, 1840-1885), daughter of John Clarke Prescott (1794-1863), merchant of Manchester. Henry Alexander Hurst was keen on botany, so probably kindled Cecil's interest in plants.

In 1901, Cecil Hurst was single and independent, and he remained a bachelor. In 1911 his address was Lockyer's Private Hotel, Llandudno. He lived for a time on the Isle of Wight, and then, when he joined the MEC in ?1921 at Ivy House, Great Bedwyn, Hungerford, which he shared with his two sisters. That was still his address in 1926-7. From 1930 he lived at Landulph Rectory, Saltash, Cornwall, and The Rectory, St. Germans, Cornwall in 1939. Reluctant to use a microscope, he nevertheless found *Fossombronina crozalsii* near Hungerford, Bedfordshire in 1918, and *Cephaloziella integerrima* in Wiltshire. 'In the field at all seasons he was seldom seen without an overcoat and he always carried an umbrella and a newspaper. The last served two purposes: to read while waiting for infrequent local trains and to wrap specimens.'

His plants are at Manchester Museum, the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff, the Botany School at Oxford, and South London Botanical Institute.

### **Harold Augustus Hyde (1892-1973)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hyde was born in Ipswich, a son of Samuel Hyde (1863/4-1928, a hairdresser) and Jessie Annie (*née* Barnes, 1870/1-1938). He had a younger sister Ethel Annie (born 1894/5) and brother Clarence Evans (born 1903/4, a hairdresser in 1938).

Harold was a schoolmaster from 1914 until 1922, when he took up museum work. He did not marry, and died in Cardiff.

### **William Ingham (1854-1923)**

*Member:* 1898-1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Ingham joined the MEC in 1897, and is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Cecil Terence Ingold (1905-2010)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Ingold was an eminent mycologist. He was born in Dublin, a son of Edwin George Ingold (1869-1951, a civil servant) and Gertrude (*née* Boardman, 1868/9-1954). He married Leonora Mary Kemp in 1933; they had four children, including Patsy Healy (an eminent urban planner) and Tim, an anthropologist.

Ingold was appointed lecturer at Reading University in 1929, then Leicester (1937-44), and Professor of Botany at Birkbeck College, London (1944-1972).

### **Miss A. M. (or A.I.) Irwin (or Irvin) (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss A.I. Irwin lived at Bayhead, Portballintrae, Bushmills, Antrim, Northern Ireland in 1934.

Miss A.M. Irwin lived at Moneycarrie, Killykegan, Coleraine, Northern Ireland in 1935. In 1937 she was at Craiglea, Portstewart Road, Coleraine, and in 1940 at Red House, Union Street, Coleraine.

Miss A.M. Irwin lived at Bayhead House, Portballintrae, Bushmills (cf. the address for Miss A.I. Irwin, above) in 1945 and 1951.

Perhaps she was Annie Millar Irwin (1874-1962), born in Coleraine, daughter of William Irwin (1850-1920) and Letitia Eakin Irwin (1854-1926). In 1911 this family was living in Union Street, Coleraine, Londonderry. Annie Millar Irwin wrote an article about 'The Violet Snail in Counties Donegal and Antrim in Midsummer' (*Irish Naturalists' Journal* 8(7): 268).

### **Robert Jackett (1857-1935)**

*Member:* 1911->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Jackett was born at Cilgerran, north Pembrokeshire, son of Thomas Higgins Jackett (1814->1881), an officer of the Inland Revenue, and Elizabeth (*née* Evans 1820/1). Thomas Higgins Jackett was himself a son of Thomas Higgins Jackett (1772-1860) and Jane (*née* Mullis ?1775-1861). Thomas Higgins Jackett senior was a son of Thomas Jackett (born 1739) and Mary (*née* Higgins 1737).

Robert graduated in divinity at Lampeter in 1889, and took up a curacy at St. Thomas's in Swansea until 1894, when he moved as curate to Loughor. Jackett was living with his spinster sister Jenny (Jane) in 1901, when he was a Church of England clergyman at Gowerton, Glamorgan. In 1902 he became vicar of Hasguard with St. Ishmael in Pembrokeshire, where he very likely knew Brinkman (see above), and remained until 1923. He then became rector of Crunwere, Whitland, Carmarthenshire.

He married Mary Ethel Eliza Thomas (1872/3-1925) in 1921, and Miss Edith Mildred Trevor Barnes (b. 1894, daughter of Reverend William Henry Barnes) of Slebech Vicarage at Slebech in January 1931. At the time of his death he was residing at Tycerrig, Abergwili, Carmarthenshire.

He joined the MEC in 1911, and remained a member until >1926. He contributed ... to the exchange. His bryophytes are at Kew.

### **Albert Bruce Jackson (1876-1947)**

*Member:* 1896-1910, 1938-1947

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Jackson was the eldest of three sons born to Charles Jackson (1847/8-1883), an ironmonger of Newbury, Berkshire, and Mary Ann (*née* Darling, 1851->1891).

Jackson worked as a journalist as a young man, subsequently for the Imperial Institute from 1910 until 1932, and was later employed at the Department of Botany at the British Museum (now the Natural History Museum) in London. In 1911 his address was 13 Scarle Road, Wembley, and in 1946 his address was 3, The Avenue, Kew Gardens, London. He married Margaret Coles Elliott (1882-1980) in 1911; they had three sons.

Jackson joined the MEC in 1896 and remained a member until 1910. He rejoined the BBS in 1938.

He contributed ... to the MEC's exchange. His plants are at the Natural History Museum in London, Kew, the Botanical Museum and Herbarium at Copenhagen, Leicester Museum, Cardiff, Oxford and Warwick.

### **Rev. Hampden Gurney Jameson (1852-1939)**

*Member:* ?1921-1939

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Jameson is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article. He joined the MEC in ?1921, at which time he was living in retirement at Gartymore, Park Rise, Leatherhead, Surrey.

### **Frederick Charles Boulton Jefferies (1883-1940)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Jefferies was a son of Frederick Charles Jefferies (1851-1933) and Mary Matilda (*née* Boulton, 1846-1909). In 1908 he married Lily Douglas (1887-1957, daughter of William Douglas, 1859-1937), and in 1911 he was foreman at an engineer's in Kingswood, Somerset. In 1939 he was living at Axbridge, Somerset.

### **Lily Jefferies (1887-1957)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lily (wife of Frederick Jefferies, see above) was born Lily Douglas.

### **John William Haigh Johnson (1876-1942)**

*Member:* 1907->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Johnson, B.Sc., F.L.S., York House, Thornhill, Dewsbury joined the MEC in 1907 and **remained a member until 1924**. In 1901 and 1911, John was an analytical chemist. By 1915 he was living at Walton, near Wakefield, and from 1920 until his death he lived at Grange View, Walton, near Wakefield. He was a son of George Johnson (1846/7-1897), a gardener and verger of Thornhill Lees, Dewsbury, Yorkshire, and Elizabeth (*née* Haigh, 1850/1). In 1912 he married May West (1880/1-....), daughter of the algologist William West (1848-1914), and brother of the algologist George Stephen West (1876-1919).

### **Charles Edward Jones, B.Sc., FLS (1863/4-1939)**

*Member:* 1903-1907

*Bryological activity:*

Jones was living at 94 York Mansions, Battersea Park, London SW when he joined the MEC in 1903. He was born in Bengal, India. His mother was Caroline (born in Liverpool, 1837/8), a daughter of Robert Jones (born 1795/6, a goldsmith) and Frances (born Bridgnorth, Shropshire 1802/3).

Charles married Maria Hope Jones (1861/2-1940) in 1898. Maria was a daughter of William Hope Jones (born 1826) and Agnes (*née* Handford, 1830-1902). Maria's paternal grandfather Edward Jones (born 1795/6 at Ruthin, Denbighshire) was a solicitor of Hooton Grange, Eastham, Cheshire.

Charles Jones was a demonstrator in botany in 1901, and botanical assistant at the Natural History Museum in London in 1911.

### **Daniel Angell Jones (1861-1936)**

*Member:* 1902-1936

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Jones is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Eustace Wilkinson Jones (1909-1992)**



*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Jones is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Iorwerth Llewelyn (or Llewelyn Iorwerth) Jones (1905-1989)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Jones worked at the Welsh Plant Breeding Station from 1928 to 1971. His elder brother Martin Griffith Jones also worked there prior to taking up the chair in agricultural botany at Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Jones was a younger son of John Griffith Jones (1865-1946, tenant farmer at Bow Street, Cardiganshire in 1911) and Ann Jane (*née* Lewis, 1863-1926). He married Eluned Davis at Aberystwyth in 1934.

### **Elizabeth W. Kennedy (c.1881-???)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Mrs Kennedy was the second wife of Charles Moore Kennedy, barrister, his first wife having died in 1928. She was probably Elizabeth Moore Kennedy of Lacklan House, Ballyrone, Banbridge, Co. Down, who died in 1945. Charles Moore Kennedy was born in West Meath in 1857, only son of Charles Pitt Kennedy, barrister of Aberfoyle, Londonderry, and his wife Margaret (*née* Moore). Charles died in Palma, Mallorca, Spain in 1934. The author Margaret Kennedy (1896-1967) was a daughter of Charles Kennedy by his first marriage.

### **Henry Herbert Knight (1862-1944)**

*Member:* 1906-1944  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Knight is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article. He also studied lichens.

### **Margaret Knox (1869-1952)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mis Knox was living at 63 Talbot Road, Highgate, London N6 in 1930. In 1939 she was living at 63 Talbot Road, Hornsey, Middlesex, and gave her occupation as “private means, botanical work”. By 1946 she was at 45 Esplanade, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset. In 1947 and 1949 she was at 6 Carew Road, Wallington, Surrey. In 1951 she was at 9 Richmond Villas, Rye, Sussex, which is where she died.

### **Mauno Johannes Kotilainen (1895-1961)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Kotilainen was a Finnish botanist who taught and researched at Helsinki University.

### **Ivan Mackenzie Lamb (later Elke Mackenzie) (1911-1990)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lamb was born in London and died in Massachusetts, USA. While young, he moved with his family to Scotland, where he went to school and graduated from Edinburgh. After two years of botanical research in Germany, he worked at the British Museum (Natural History Museum) in London in 1934, where he took up lichenology under the tutorship of Annie Lorrain Smith, later becoming an acknowledged expert himself.

In 1936 Lamb married Maila Elvira Laabejo of Finland. A son was born in London in 1940, and later a daughter.

Lamb worked as a botanist in Antarctica from 1944 to 1946, subsequently in Argentina, Ottawa in Canada from 1950, and then Harvard in Massachusetts, U.S.A. from 1953. In 1954 he visited his parents, who were living in Bournemouth. By then he was also studying marine algae.

In the 1960s, Lamb travelled in Europe and Mexico, collecting and researching lichens and algae. He separated from his wife and changed his name and gender to female, retired to Costa Rica in 1976, but returned to Harvard in 1980 and made wooden furniture.

### **Clara Ethelinda Larter (1849-1936)**

*Member:* 1904-1912

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Clara was better known for her interest in vascular plants and algae. She was a daughter of Thomas Larter (born 1815-16), a private tutor, and became a teacher herself. She did not marry, and lived near Torquay for most of her adult life. She wrote a paper on the bryophytes of Devon in *Transactions of the Devonshire Association for the Advancement of Science, etc.*, volume xl (1908).

### **William Leach (1891-1976)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Leach was born in Crewe, a son of William Samuel Leach (born 1861/2, an engineer in a clothing factory) and Susan Maria Slater (*née* Brotherton, 1859/60). He was a lecturer at Birmingham University from 1922 until 1937, when he emigrated to teach at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. Leach wrote *A Textbook of Practical Botany*, which went through several editions. He died in British Columbia.

### **Eva Muriel Lee (1883-1976)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Lee was the eldest daughter of William John Lee (died 1884, a butler) and Sarah (*née* Bungay, 1850-1950, daughter of James Bungay, market gardener of Staindrop, Darlington, co. Durham). Eva Lee was born at Staindrop, but after her father died surviving members of the family moved permanently to Somerset (where Sarah married George Stone, an accountant). In 1939 Eva was a retired botanist living in Bristol, and died there many years later.

### **John Ramsay Lee (1868-1959)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lee was born at Helensburgh, Dumbartonshire, son of John Lee (born 1829) and Liliias (*née* Richmond, 1840). In 1899 he married Isabella McBride Stirling (1868-1937, daughter of William Stirling, 1840-1909, and Helen Waldie *née* Mitchell, 1841-1902) at Glasgow.

Lee was a mercantile clerk and cashier. In 1901 he and Isabella lived at 111, John Knox Street, Glasgow.

### **William Arthur Lee, M.A., Ph.D. (1870-1931)**

*Member:* ?1921-1924??

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lee was living at 80, Cavendish Drive, Rock Ferry, Cheshire when he joined the MEC in ?1921. Miss Cooke and Edward Richards also lived in Wallasey. He was still a member in 1924, but thereafter his name does not appear in the lists of members. Liverpool Museum has 70 of his gatherings.

William Lee was the second child of ?James Lee (born 1844/5, a police sergeant in 1881), and Phoebe (*née* ....., 1840/1). In 1901 William was living with his elder brother John (who worked as a clerk for the General Post Office in Liverpool). In 1911 William was unmarried, an overseer of postal telegraphs. He rose to become Chief Superintendent of Telegraphs at Liverpool General Post Office, and was also sometime President of Liverpool Botanical Society.

### **Henry William Lett (1838-1920)**

*Member:* 1896-1920

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lett is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Mr R. Lewis (???-???)**

*Member:* 1943-21<sup>st</sup> century

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lewis lived at Fiddler's Elbow, Staunton Road, Monmouth, Monmouthshire in 1940. By 1947 he was at Electric House, Queen Street, Withernsea, East Yorkshire. From there he moved to Kendal in the 1950s, and thence to North Wales, where he still lived in the early 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### **Johannes Lid (1886-1971)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lid was born in Voss, Norway. In 1936 he married Dagny Tande, an illustrator.

### **David Lillie (1854-1940)**

*Member:* 1898-1940

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lillie joined the MEC in 1898 and remained a member of the Club (and then the BBS) until his death.

He is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **William Richardson Linton (1850-1908)**

*Member:* 1896-1908

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* Cardiff

Linton was the youngest son of seven children born to Henry Linton (c. 1803-1887), vicar of Diddington, Huntingdonshire, and Charlotte (*née* Richardson, 1809/10-1879). William's father, Henry, was born at Frieston, Lincolnshire and a Henry Linton was vicar of that parish in 1782, so WRL came from a line of priests on his father's side of the family. His elder brother, Edward Francis (1848-1928), became rector of Edmondsham, Dorset from 1901 until 1920, and published a list of the fungi of East Dorset. The two brothers also published sets of the taxonomically challenging vascular plants *Hieracium* (hawkweeds), *Rubus* (brambles) and *Salix* (willows).

William went to school at Leamington Priors, Warwickshire, where another future member of the MEC, Henry Charles Lyon Reader (see below) was also a pupil. Was one of the schoolmasters there keen on botany? After graduating from Oxford in 1873, he was a tutor for the Church Missionary Society at their college in Islington (1876-86),

before taking up the living at Shirley, near Ashbourne, Derbyshire in 1886. He visited Palestine in 1881.

William married Alice Shirley (1856/7-1911) at Oxford in 1887. They had a daughter, Violet M. (b. 1891/2). Alice Shirley was the eldest child of Phillipa Frances Emilia Knight (b. 1829-30, daughter of Samuel Knight, Esq., and Reverend Walter Waddington Shirley (1828-1866), professor of ecclesiastical history at Oxford and canon of the Cathedral Church of Christ in that city. W.W. Shirley was a son of Walter Augustus Shirley (1797-1847), who was bishop of Sodor and the Isle of Man. The Shirleys were wealthy and held the living of Shirley, Derbyshire in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century, so probably assisted Linton to that living.

Linton joined the MEC in 1896, and remained a member until his death. He contributed .... to the exchange. His plants are at the Natural History Museum in London, Merseyside Museums, Bolton and Belfast.

### **Charles Antony Lister (c.1921-1984)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:* Maidstone Museum

Lister was born in Kensington, London, a son of John Charles Francis Lister (1894-1960) and Dorothy Gian (*née* Kirby, c.1891-1966, daughter of a solicitor). He was living in Lewes, Sussex in 1939, and became a pathologist and an executive of a chemical company. He married Joyce Elizabeth Calcott, and died in Maidstone, Kent.

### **Freda Mary Loader (1892/3-1968)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Loader was born in Bishopstoke, Hampshire, a daughter of Dawson Howes Loader (1860-1932, miller and corn merchant) and Katherine Carpenter (*née* Lunn, 1867/8-1932). Freda was a student in 1911, and became a lecturer in biology. She died at Southampton.

### **Evelyn (Eveline) Mary Lobley (1902-1977)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:* discovered *Seligeria carniolica* in Northumberland, and specialized in *Sphagnum* species.

*Herbarium:*

Miss Lobley was born at Whitburn, co. Durham, a daughter of Alfred Lobley 1874/5-1942, a clerk at a steelworks) and Hannah Jameson (*née* Hamilton, 1875-1935, daughter of John Wree Hamilton, iron moulder and grocer). Both Alfred and Hannah were born in Hexham.

### **Leopold Loeske (1865-1935)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Loeske was born in Hohensalza, Germany. He was a watchmaker, but also worked as a correspondent for a commercial institution for 8 years after the First World War. He studied bryophytes in his spare time.

### **Percy Long (1882-1944)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Long was a brewer's clerk in 1911 and 1939. He was a son of **George Long (1842-1889)** and Mary (*née* Parkes, 1848-??). He was born and died on the Isle of Wight.

### **Frederick Loydell (1877-1954)**

*Member:* 1907-1908

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Loydell was a solicitor's clerk in 1911 and 1939, and married Daisy Edwards (1879-1950) in 1908. He was a son of Andrew Loydell (1848-1910) and Charlotte Elizabeth Armstone (1841-1901, daughter of William Armstone (1821-1891).

Frederick was born in Bermondsey, London, and died at Worthing, Sussex.

### **Fay A. MacFadden (*née* MacDonald, 1888-1964)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Fay MacDonald was born in Kansas, and married Joel MacFadden, a mining engineer in 1912. She died in Los Angeles.

### **Symers Macdonald Macvicar (1857-1932)**

*Member:* 1896-1932

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Macvicar is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Nikolajs Malta (1890-1944)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Malta was head of the Botanical Garden at the University of Latvia from 1922 until his death.

### **Cecil Victor Boley Marquand (1897-1943)**

*Member:* 1918->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Marquand was born in Richmond, Surrey, a son of Ernest David Marquand (1848-1918) who wrote *Flora of Guernsey and lesser Channel Islands* (1901). The Marquands had been established on Guernsey since the 17<sup>th</sup> century, and Cecil's father Ernest David was also a botanist, having joined the Botanical Locality Record Club (forerunner of the Botanical Exchange Club) in 1876.

Cecil was appointed to run the cereal department at the Welsh Plant Breeding Station in Aberystwyth from 1919 until 1923, where he worked on *Avena* species (oats), and then moved to Kew (1923-39). He joined the MEC in 1918, at which time he was living with his parents at The Willows, Totnes, Devon. He moved to Y Glyn, Llanfarian, Cardiganshire in 1920. By 1923 his address was Andraea, 102 Mortlake Road, Kew Gardens, Surrey.

Marquand drowned in a boating accident off the West Highland coast in Scotland in 1943 with Leslie Trotter's (q.v.) wife.



His plants are at Kew, Edinburgh, and Merseyside Museums.

### **St. John Marriott (1870-1927)**

*Member:* 1908-1927

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

St. John Marriott was born at Sandbach, Cheshire, the fifth child of seven born to Thomas Hyde Marriott (1829-1895), landed proprietor and Caroline (*née* Blomfield, 1835/6), daughter of Barrington Blomfield, surgeon and general practitioner (b. 1797/8-1870). Thomas Hyde Marriott left estate valued at over £30,000; he was a nephew of John Hobson of Bakewell, Derbyshire and Rockville, Ballyshannon, Ireland, who left personal estate valued at over £40,000 when he died in 1882.

Marriott was living at 14 Kersland St., Glasgow in 1908. He was still living in Glasgow in 1913, but married Elizabeth Halliday in London in late 1913, and from 1915 until Marriott's death they were living at 37, Owenite Street, Abbeywood, Plumstead, London SE2.

Marriott contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium was formerly at Woolwich Museum, with some additional plants at Cardiff.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 2 (1927), page 68.

### **Charles William Marshall (1841-1915)**

*Member:* 1904-1908

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Charles was a son of William Marshall (1812/3-1901, cashier and clerk to the Bank of England) and Rebecca (*née* Oliver, 1817-1878). Charles's younger brother Alfred Marshall (1842-1924) achieved fame as an economist and Professor of political economy at Cambridge (see *Dictionary of National Biography*). Alfred married Mary Paley (1850-1944), great granddaughter of the theologian and moralist William Paley (1743-1805, see *DNB*).

Charles became manager for the Bengal Silk Company Limited. He married Mary A. Cargill (1865/6-???) and they had two children who were born in India: William Henry (born 1889) became a doctor, and Enid Agnes (1893-1899).

### **John Marten (1837-1904)**

*Member:* 1901-1904

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

John Marten was the eldest of two children of Peter Marten (1808-1880) and Hannah Harrison (*née* Ashbee, 1813-1842). Peter Marten married secondly Benedicta (*née* Watson, 1817-1909). In 1851 Peter Marten was farming 527 acres at Upper Ensing, Chilham, Canterbury, Kent, and employed 35 labourers; in 1871 he was a magistrate and landowner occupying 1,300 acres and employing 70 men and women and 10 boys. Peter Marten was sometime also mayor of Canterbury, and both he and John were members of the East Kent Natural History Society.

John Marten took over the family's hop-farm at Chilham, Kent after his father died. In 1871 he married Hannah Dean (1846-1889). By 1881 they had four children, and John was farming 425 acres and employed 29 men. By 1901 he had retired to Bredhurst, south of Chatham, and was residing at Woolage Green near Canterbury at the time of his death. He also resided at Dunkirk House, Boughton until 1893.

Marten found *Weissia sterilis* at Boxley Warren near Maidstone, and at Purple Hill, Bredhurst. He contributed .... to the exchange.

His herbarium ....

### **Rev. W. George M. Martin (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Martin lived at 20 Huntley Road, Elm Park, Liverpool in 1931, and became associated with Glenmanus Church, Portrush from 1933 until 1944. He was brought up in the Dublin Road congregation, and was a graduate of Queen's University.

### **Rev. William Rutledge Megaw (1885-1953), B.A., M.R.I.A.**

*Member:* 1918->1923

*Bryological activity:*

Megaw was born at Carrowdore, Co. Down, son of a Presbyterian minister. In turn, William was ordained at Trinity Church, Ahoghill, Co. Antrim in 1910. In 1911 he lived at 3, Gloonan, Ahoghill, with his wife Mabel (*née* Harpur 1888/9, whom he had married in 1910/1). Megaw lived at Trinity House, Ahoghill, Belfast when he joined the MEC in

1918. In 1919 he became minister of Newtonbrede, where he remained until his retirement. By 1923 he was living at The Manse, Rosetta, Belfast, and was still there in 1926-7. He retired in 1950 to Portstewart, Co. Derry. He spent all his life in Ireland and Britain, apart from a year's study at Princeton University and a visit in 1927 to his sister who lived in South Africa.

Megaw was for many years the leading bryologist in north-east Ireland. He wrote several books, including a short, little-known, romantic novel titled *Ulota* (1934, Quota Press, Belfast). His herbarium is at Ulster Museum.

### **Robert Hunt Meldrum (1858-1933)**

*Member:* 1896->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Meldrum is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **John Mennell (1850/1-?1930)**

*Member:* 1911->1920

*Bryological activity:* discovered *Paludella squarrosa* on Skipwith Common in north-east Yorkshire in 1916.

*Herbarium:* Yorkshire Museum

Mennell lived at 27 Neville Street, York in 1901 and 1911. He was born in Norton, near Malton, Yorkshire, a son of John (born 1815/6, a carpenter and joiner) and Ann (*née* Mitchell, 1812/3-1893). John jr. became a printer's compositor, and married Jane Pickering (1849-1881), who bore him three daughters: Susan Maria (1874), Marion Louisa (1875/6-1909) and Jane Agnes (1877). In 1884 John married Eliza Law, who was born c.1849. John and Eliza had a son William Ronald in 1885/6. In 1911 John Mennell was a proof-reader in a newspaper office.

### **William Clark Millar (1860/1-1931)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Millar was a schoolmaster at Berwick-upon-Tweed in 1901, and lived at 8, North Terrace, Berwick-on-Tweed in 1926. John Bishop Duncan (see above) lived in the same street, and the two men looked for bryophytes together.

Millar was born at Tannadice, Angus (Forfarshire), and was an Arts student at Edinburgh in 1881. He married Margaret (*née* ...).

### **Francis Eric Milsom (1889-1945)**

*Member:* ?1921-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Milsom is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Hjalmer (or Hjalmar) August Moller (1866-1941)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Moller was a baker's son. He became a lecturer in biology. In 1905 he married Ebba Maria Anna Lewenhagen (1875-1965).

### **Horace Woollaston Monckton, V.P.L.S., F.G.S. (1857-1931)**

*Member:* ?1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Monckton was born in Ireland, a son of Horace Manners Monckton (1824-1904) and his first wife, Georgina (*née* White, 1825-1879). Georgina was a daughter of Sir Thomas Woollaston White, 2<sup>nd</sup> baronet (1801-1882), while Horace Manners Monckton was a son of the Rt. Hon. William George Monckton-Arundell, 5<sup>th</sup> Viscount Galway by his wife Catherine Elizabeth (*née* Handfield).

Horace Woollaston Monckton became a barrister, and was also a Fellow of the Geological Society of London (and Vice-President in 1929). He wrote *The Flora of the Bagshot district* (1916), and lived at 3 Harcourt Buildings, Temple Gardens, London EC4 when he joined the MEC in ?1921, and was still there in 1926. His herbarium is at Reading University.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 2 (1931), page 390.

### **George William Moses (1876-1937)**

*Member:* 1905->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Moses lived in Bishop Auckland, County Durham. His name disappeared from the list of members after 1924. He was a jeweller, and son of Thomas Moses (1845/6-1903 or 1916), jeweller, and Mary Agnes (*née* Ritchie, 1848/9). In 1902 he married Mary Florence Frances Addison (born 1880/1 in Kimberley, South Africa). He died at Felling, Co. Durham in 1937.

### **Charles Edward Moss (1869/70-1930)**

*Member:* 1903

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Moss was teaching at Bruton, Somerset (cf. Walter Watson, q.v.) when he joined the MEC. In [...] he married Alice [...], and they had a daughter Beatrice (born 1903/4). By 1911 he was curator of the university herbarium at Cambridge (1907-16).

Charles was born at Newton Moor, Hyde, Cheshire, a youngest child of Benjamin Moss (1831/2-1911), independent evangelical minister, and Mary (*née* ....). The family emigrated to Johannesburg, South Africa, where Charles became a professor of botany (1917-30).

### **William Moss (1855/6-???)**

*Member:* 1904-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

William Moss became a secondary school teacher. He was born at Huncoat, Lancashire, a son of Stephen Moss (born 1819/20), a coachman, and Elizabeth (*née* ....).

William married Emily Burgess (1844-1919) in 1886; they had no children. In 1911 they lived in Bolton, Lancashire.

### **Frederick Thompson Mott (1825-1908), F.R.G.S.**

*Member:* 1899-1900

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mott was born in Loughborough, Leicestershire, the third child and second son of Julius Caesar Mott (1788-1859, wine merchant) and Eliza (*née* Thompson, 1796-1882/3). Julius was a son of William Mott (1758-1795) and Martha (*née* Barrowcliffe 1750-1795). William and Martha were non-conformists, and emigrated to the United States of America in 1794, but died during an outbreak of Yellow Fever the following year. Most of their young children (including Julius) returned to England, where Julius was raised by his father's half-brother Robert Mott and his wife Ann Chatfield.

Frederick's siblings were Eliza (born 1819), Albert Julius (1821-1899, wine merchant), Mary Isabella (born 1826), Henry Fearson (born 1829), Herbert William (1829-1840) and Charles Grey (1832-1905, coal merchant). Albert Julius married his first cousin Clara Elizabeth Dobell (1833/4-1909), who was also Elizabeth Anne's younger sister. Clara and Elizabeth Dobell were daughters of John Dobell (1797-1878, wine merchant) and Julietta (*née* Thompson, 1804-1884). Julietta was a younger sister of Eliza who married Julius Caesar Mott.

Albert and Clara's son Leonard Mott (1871/2-1940) studied music and became a schoolmaster, and collected plants in his spare time, like his uncle Frederick.

Frederick Mott became a wine-merchant at Birstall, Leicestershire, where he lived at Birstall Hill House. He married his cousin Elizabeth Anne Dobell (1825/6-1862) in 1850. The couple had four children: Herbert Henry (b. 1851), Mary Elizabeth (b. 1853), Frederick Blount (b. 1856) and Basil (1859-1938, who became a civil engineer, and was knighted).

Mott remarried in 1877, to Mary Barfoot (born 1852/3), a daughter of William Viney Barfoot (1830-1900), a worsted and lamb's wool spinner, and his wife Jane Elizabeth (*née* Gowere 1838-1904). Frederick and Mary had four children: Ida (b. 1878), Julius Barfoot (b. 1879, who succeeded Frederick in his business as wine merchant), Marjorie Una (b. 1881) and Geraldine (b. 1882).

Mott contributed .... to the exchange. He contributed vascular plants to the Botanical Exchange Club's annual exchange in the 1880s and 1890s. His plants are at the Hancock Museum in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Kew, Leicester Museum and Art Gallery, Cardiff, Manchester Museum and Warwick Museum.

### **Mr E. A. Moxley (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mr Moxley lived in Toronto, Ontario, Canada in 1937. He was probably Eugene Augustus Moxley (born 1874 to William and Mary Margaret Moxley) who married Lucy Jane Snider (born 1876), and died in 1961.

### **James Murray (1872-1942)**

*Member:* ?1921-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Murray was born in Carlisle, son of Richard Wilson Murray (1834-1898), an artist and landscape painter in 1881, and Agnes (*née* Bell, 1840/1).

In 1901, James Murray was an unmarried foreman at a biscuit-baker. He was still living in Carlisle when he joined the MEC in ?1921, but in 1924 moved to Ivy Cottage, Kelsick, Wigton, Cumberland. By 1926 he was living at 6, Burnside Road, Gretna, Dumfriesshire.

### **William Edward Nicholson (1866-1945)**

*Member:* 1896-1945, but not listed as a member until 1937.

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Nicholson is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Emilia Frances Noel, F.L.S. (1868-1950)**

*Member:* ?1921-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Emilia was the youngest child of The Hon. Henry Lewis Noel (1824-1898, land agent, son of Sir Charles Noel, 1781-1866, 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Gainsborough), and Emily Elizabeth (*née* Noel, c. 1830-1890). Henry and Emily Elizabeth were first cousins, sharing Sir Gerard Edwardes or Noel (1759-1838) of Exton Park, Rutland and his wife Diana (*née* Middleton, 1762-1823) as paternal grandparents. Diana was sufficiently prominent as an evangelical patron to merit inclusion in the *Dictionary of National Biography*, and indeed the careers of numerous Noels and their ancestors of Leicestershire and Rutland are recounted in the *DNB*. They were for the most part administrators, and held extensive estates in the east Midlands. Some were peers of the realm, for example, Baptist Noel (c.1611-1690) was 3<sup>rd</sup> Viscount Campden.

Miss Noel collected and drew plants in Kashmir at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The Royal Geographical Society has 'The Emilia Noel collection' (1892-1937; ref: EFB). When she joined the MEC in 1921 she was living at 37, Moscow Court, in west London.

She was still living there between 1932 and 1949, and described her occupation as “botanist” in 1939. Her plants are at Merseyside County Museum.

### **Alan Henry Norkett (1915-1990)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Norkett lived at 26 Beechcroft, New Malden, Surrey in 1934. He married Dorothy Kate Jessie Nott (1907-2004) in 1940. Perhaps he was a son of Walter Ernest Norkett (1879-1955, schoolmaster) and Laura Harriet (*née* Harman, 1883-1968), and younger brother of Eric Walter Harman Norkett (1910-1999) and Joyce M. Norkett (born 1913).

### **John Leslie Noble O’Loughlin (1908-1987)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

O’Loughlin was a son of John Vincent O’Loughlin (born 1884, police constable of London) and Emma Clare (*née* Noble, 1880-1951). He married Elisabeth Matthey-Doret (1913/4-2000) at Wandsworth in 1937. They had four children: Elisabeth C.A. (born c.1938), Niall Edward D. (1941), Terence D.A. (1943) and Margaret (1948/9).

John worked for the government’s Foreign Service, and was in the U.S.A. between 1945 and 1952.

### **Robina Orrock (1848-1929)**

*Member:* 1903

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Orrock lived and died in Edinburgh, one of at least ten children born to James Orrock (1800-1862, surgeon and dentist) and Jane (*née* Mccree or Mccrie, c.1815/7). Robina Orrock was a musical governess in 1891, and joined the MEC in 1903.

### **Silvanus Jones Owen (1859-1912)**

*Member:* 1904-1912

*Bryological activity:*



*Herbarium:* Cardiff

Owen was the eldest of five children of David Owen (1826-1905), farmer and son of David Owen senior of Trawsfynydd (1804/6-1878), and Gwen (*née* Ellis, 1838-1926). Gwen Ellis was a daughter of Evan Ellis (1809-1875) and Jane (*née* Jones 1814-1894).

Silvanus was born at Llanfachreth, Merionethshire, and his siblings were Jane Elizabeth (1861-1937), Evan (1865-1926, a labourer and farmer), David Ellis (1871-1946, a commercial traveller) and John (1879-1899, who drowned).

In 1891, Silvanus (or Samuel, as he was listed in the Census Return) was an unmarried schoolmaster, lodging at 3 Chapel St, Croesor, Llanfrothen, Ffestiniog, Merionethshire. During the 1890s he was headmaster of Croesor School, Penrhyndeudraeth, but ill health obliged him to resign in 1899. In 1901 he was living with his parents at Llanfrothen. His paternal grandmother (Gwen Owen) was born in Llanfrothen in 1803. In 1911 he was head teacher at a County Council school, and living with his widowed mother.

Owen lived at Croesor, near Penrhyndeudraeth, Caernarvonshire in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, where he was an elementary schoolmaster and friend of Daniel Angell Jones (see above). When he died of Bright's Disease on October 3<sup>rd</sup> 1912, he was living at Brondanw Buildings, Llanfrothen, Penrhyndeudraeth.

He contributed .... to the exchange, and acted as referee for hepatics in 1911. The National Museum and Gallery of Wales at Cardiff has 949 of his gatherings, collected between 1902 and 1912.

### **William Hunt Painter (1835-1910)**

*Member:* 1903-1910

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Painter was a clergyman, and rector of Stirchley, near Shifnal, Shropshire from 1894 until 1909. He was born in Aston, Birmingham, eldest child of five born to William Painter (b. 1803, variously a haberdasher and commercial clerk) and Sarah (*née* Hawkes, 1800/01).

Painter was a banker's clerk in 1851, and an assistant lay preacher in Chelsea in 1861. He accepted numerous postings as a priest, and took up botany while serving at Barbon, Westmorland (1861-65). He took up mosses in 1898, while at Stirchley, and retired to Shrewsbury in 1909. He married Jane Stamps (b. 1841, Birmingham; died 1930) in 1871; the couple had no children.

He contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium is at University College, Aberystwyth, with additional plants at Kew and Oxford, in the Department of Botany at

Aberdeen, the Natural History Museum in London, Birmingham University, the National Botanic Garden at Dublin, the City Museum and Art Gallery at Derby, Glasgow University, the Hancock Museum at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Kew, Manchester Museum, Cardiff and Oxford.

### **Ellen Alice Parish (1869-1947)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Parish was born in Erith, Kent, a daughter of Alfred Parish (1841-1908) and Ellen (*née* Beadle, 1839-1874). Alfred married secondly Kate Martha Beadle with whom he raised a second family.

Miss Parish was headmistress of Scale How College in Ambleside in 1929. She died at Acton, Brentford, Middlesex.

### **Henrietta Elizabeth Parish (1854-1920)**

*Member:* 1904-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Henrietta was born in Twickenham, the eldest daughter of Reverend Henry Parish (???-1873) and Elizabeth (*née* Freer, 1822/8-1919). Henry died at Richmond, Surrey, and the family subsequently moved to Bournemouth, where Henrietta died. She joined the MEC in 1903.

### **John Benson Parker (1861-1942)**

*Member:* 1896-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Parker was born in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Northumberland, the son of Joseph Parker (1827/8-1907, railway superintendent, and Sarah (*née* Benson, 1823-1915). Sarah was born at Unthank, Cumberland. Joseph was a son of Thomas Parker (1778-1850) and Elizabeth (*née* Hall, 1787).

He worked for Customs and Excise in 1881, and was surveyor of taxes for the Inland Revenue in 1901. He married Lilea or Lilosa (Lillie, *née* Blain..., 1861/2-....) in 1890, and by 1901 they had a daughter Lily Eileen (b. 1900).

Perhaps Parker knew John Hunter (see above), who also collected taxes for the government in Ireland. Parker moved to Sheffield, Yorkshire in 1899. In 1933 he was living at 24 Curzon Road, Birkenhead. By the time he died in 1942 he was married to Mary Frances [*née* ....., 1878-????] and living at Thackmoor Nook, Renwick, near Penrith.

He contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium ....

### **Henry Franklin Parsons (1846-1913)**

*Member:* 1905-1912

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Parsons became a doctor in the civil service. He was born in Beckington, Somerset, where his father Joshua (1814/5-1892) was also a doctor, and interested in bryophytes. Henry's mother was born Letitia Harriet Williams. Henry lived in Croydon, Surrey.

### **John Henry Payne (1857-1931)**

*Member:* 1918->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Payne was born in Barnsley, Yorkshire, the eldest child of Henry Payne (b. 1823/4), doctor of medicine and founding member of the Barnsley Natural History Society, and Sarah (*née* Sykes, 1828/9).

Payne was at school at Bootham, York in 1871. He became an analytical chemist. When he joined the MEC in 1918, he was living at Newhill, West Melton, Rotherham. From 1926-7 his address became The Rowans, 90 Newhill, Wathe-on-Dearne, Rotherham. He studied botany, geology, ornithology and conchology. His plants are at the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 3 (1932), page 83.

### **Dr. William Harold Pearsall, D.Sc. (1891-1964)**

*Member:* 1912-1916, 1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Pearsall was born in Stourbridge, Worcestershire, a son of William Harrison Pearsall (1860-1936). The Pearsalls were long-established in Worcestershire. William Harrison Pearsall was a schoolteacher, lay-preacher, and an authority on pondweeds (*Potamogeton* species). The family moved to Dalton-le-Furness when Harold was still young, where his father became headmaster of Broughton Road School.

William Harold saw action in the First World War, during which he was deafened by cannon-fire. He graduated from Manchester University, and was appointed lecturer at Leeds University in 1919, becoming Reader (1922-38), before moving to become Professor of Botany at Sheffield (1938-44), and then University College, London (1944-57). He was an ecologist, a founding director of the Freshwater Biological Association, Chairman of scientific policy at the Nature Conservancy (1949-63), and edited *Journal of Ecology* and *Annals of Botany*. He also wrote the New Naturalist volume *Mountains and Moorlands* (1949), and co-authored *The Lake District*, published posthumously in 1973.

Pearsall joined the MEC in 1912, and was still a member of the BBS in 1926-7.

### **Arthur Anselm Pearson (1874-1954)**

*Member:* 1919-<1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Pearson was born in Notting Hill, London, son of Walter (1846/7-<1901), a professor of music, and Eliza (*née* ....., 1845/8).

After an education in Belgium, Pearson spent a year sailing at sea, and at the age of 15 joined W. Wilson Cobbett Ltd. (which later became British Belting and Asbestos Ltd.) in Cleckheaton, Yorkshire. In 1901 he was unmarried, making and selling belts for textile machines, and living in Streatham, London, with his widowed mother Eliza, and two unmarried sisters, Caroline Ida and Mary M. He married Ellen Berthon Cusack (1877-1967, daughter of William Francis Cusack (1831-1917) and Elizabeth (*née* Loughnan, 1842-1897)) in 1903, and they had three sons and two daughters. Their second son Lionel Ignatius Cusack Pearson (1908-1988) became an academic historian, and author of *The Greek Historians of the West* (1987).

Arthur Pearson travelled widely in dealing with Cobbett's export business, and became Secretary, then Director in 1912, and finally Chairman in 1937.

A devoted Roman Catholic, he lived for many years in Haslemere, Surrey.

Pearson was an authority on agaric fungi, and became president of the British Mycological Society in 1931 and 1952. He was living at Gatcombe House, Weybridge, Surrey in 1919, but was no longer a member by 1923.

His letters, manuscripts and plants are at Kew.

### **William Henry Pearson (1849-1923)**

*Member:* 1908-1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Pearson is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article. He contributed ... to the exchange.

### **Dr. Louis Wellesley Hemington Pegler (1852-1927)**

*Member:* 1919->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Pegler was born in Colchester, Essex, third son of Daniel Pegler (1799-1876), a professor of music at the London College of Music, and Melanie Louise Améline Gabrielle Zoé Palmyre (Amelina) (*née* Cliquennois, 1819/20-1913). Daniel Pegler was a son of Daniel Pegler (c.1769-1831), gentleman of Nayland, Suffolk. The Peglers originated from Gloucestershire. Louis' elder brothers were Henry Stephen Holmes (1848-1941) and Ernest Charles (born c. 1850).

Louis Pegler qualified as a surgeon, and became consulting surgeon at the Metropolitan Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital in Fitzroy Square, London. However, he was living at 5, Bystock Terrace, Exeter, when he joined the MEC in ?1921, the year in which he retired from practice because of ill health. Perhaps he knew Boyden and Savery (q.v.), both of whom lived locally.

Pegler married Maud Edith Mary Palmer (1878-1963) in 1901.

His plants are at the Natural History Museum in London, with a few at Cardiff. He also collected prehistoric stones. The National Portrait Gallery has two portraits of him.

His obituaries appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1926-7), page 322, and *The Journal of Laryngology and Otology* (1927), 42: 427-429.

### **Maud Edith Mary Pegler (1878-1963)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Maud was born Maud Edith Mary Palmer, younger daughter of Francis William Palmer (1850/1-1930, carpenter) and Lucy (*née* Hickinbottom, 1849/50- 1932). She married Louis Pegler in 1901, and joined the BBS in 1926.

### **William Harry Pepworth (1857-1940)**

*Member:* 1896-1900

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Pepworth was born in Norwich, Norfolk, the eldest of seven children born to James (1828/9-1881) and Mary Ann (*née* Buckenham, 1829/30-1904). James Pepworth was a plumber in 1851, a coal merchant in 1861, and had reverted to plumbing by 1871. In 1881 he was a decorator.

By 1881, William was working for the Prudential Assurance Company, and living in Chorlton-on-Medlock, Lancashire. In that year he married Eliza Fallows (1860/1-?1915) and they had three daughters: Dora (born 1883), Mabel (1884) and Elsie (1886). In 1891 Pepworth was an insurance clerk living in Chorley, Cheshire.

By 1896 the Pepworths were living at Alderley Edge, Cheshire. William was still an insurance clerk in 1901. In 1911 William was an insurance cashier, and he and Eliza were living at The Homestead, Hazelgrove cum Bramhall, Cheshire with Dora, who was unmarried.

In 1939, Pepworth was a retired insurance clerk living at Sandown, Isle of Wight and he died there in 1940, leaving estate to his widow Mary Jane (*née* Lawrence), who he had married in 1923.

Pepworth contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium ....

### **Joseph Henry Garfield Peterken (1893-1973)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Peterken was born in Leyton, Essex, a son of Joseph William Peterken (1869-1950, letterpress printer) and Eliza Kerenhappuch (*née* Hart, 1869-1938). In 1939 he was an accountant, living in Leyton, Essex. He married Emma Amelia Johnson (1895-1976), and died at Amersham, Buckinghamshire.

Peterken's great-nephew George Frederick Peterken became a renowned plant ecologist.

### **Doris Powell (1896-1976)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Powell was a daughter of James Powell (1855/6-1925, leather merchant) and Mary Sophia (*née* Higginbotham, 1860/1-1949). Like Muriel Saunders, she lived in Reigate, Surrey, where she taught science at school in 1939.

### **Professor Joseph Hubert Priestley (1883-1944)**

*Member:* ?1921-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Priestley was born in Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, where his father Joseph Edward (died 1922) was a schoolmaster, like his father Joseph before him. He graduated from London in 1905, and was immediately appointed to the Department of Botany at Bristol. From there he moved to Leeds, where he became professor in 1911, a post he held until 1944. He became an authority on the developmental morphology and anatomy of plants.

### **Mr Olaf John Elliott Pullen (1907/8-1977)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Pullen was at Highway, Closeburn, Dumfries-shire in 1937. He was a son of William John Pullen (1867/8-1955, schoolmaster of Somerset) and Agnes Harriet (*née* Elliott, 1874-1962). Anders Tomter (see below) lived in Collin, Dumfries, and also joined the BBS in 1937. Pullen was living in Newbury, Berkshire when he died.

### **John Frederick Rayner (1854/5-1947)**

*Member:* 1904-1908

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Rayner was born at Southampton, a son of John Frederick Rayner sr. (1822/3-1911, bookseller) and Esther (*née* Marks, 1832-1890). John junior became a postal florist at

Swaythling near Southampton. He married Eva Maria Macey (1853/4-1907/8) at Portsea in 1877. John and Eva had three children: Robert Macey (born 1881/2, who became a musician), Dorothy Macey (1886/7), and Esther Macey (1889/90).

Rayner was better known as a mycologist, and published lists of fungi from the Isle of Wight and New Forest.

### **Henry Charles Lyon Reader (Rev. Fr. Henry Peter Reader) (1850-1929)**

*Member:* 1899-1908

*Bryological activity:* Reader found *Dicranum undulatum* in Gloucestershire.

*Herbarium:* Bristol University, with manuscript material at Stoke Museum, and additional plants at the Natural History Museum in London, Bolton, Merseyside Museum at Liverpool, Leicester, Cardiff, Oxford and Warwick.

Reader was born at Castlebar, Ireland, son of William Reader (1824-1870), himself a son of William Reader, barrister of London, and Jane Dorothea (*née* Elmhirst, 1801-1853), daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Elmhirst (1771-1847). Henry Reader's father William was a Major in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Warwickshire Militia from 1858 until 1861; he married Frederica Mary Hamilton (*née* Lyon, 1821-1870). Mary's parents were Major-General Sir James Andrew Hamilton Lyon, KCB (1775-1842, see *Dictionary of National Biography*), and Anna (*née* Coxe, 1790/1, granddaughter of William Coxe (1710-1760), physician to the King's household, and niece of the historian William Coxe (1748-1828, see *Dictionary of National Biography*).

Henry Reader attended school at Leamington Priors, Warwickshire, where William Richardson Linton (see above) was a fellow pupil.

Reader became a Roman Catholic priest in the Dominican order after graduating from Oxford. He was at a priory at Woodchester, Gloucestershire in 1881, at St. Pancras in London in 1891, and at another priory in Atherstone, Warwickshire in 1901. By 1912 he was living at Holy Cross Priory in Leicester, where he knew Horwood (see above). Both men took interest in lichens as well as bryophytes. In 1928, Reader preached at St. Peter's Priory, Priory Row, Hinckley. He also preached at Stroud, Gloucestershire (1927), and in Staffordshire.

He contributed .... to the exchange.

### **Thomas Kenneth Rees (1900-1942)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*



Thomas Kenneth Rees was probably the T. Kenneth Rees who joined the BBS in 1929, when he was a lecturer in botany at the Department of Biology, University of Swansea (as was Miss Esther J. Bowen, see above). He was still at Swansea in 1939. Rees specialized in algae.

Rees was born in Newport, Monmouthshire, a son of Thomas William Rees (born 1862, a draughtsman working for the Great Western Railway) and Anna Maria (*née* Williams, 1866/7). He died at Nairn in Scotland, while on war duty, leaving his estate to his widow Olwen Agnes (*née* Ferguson).

### **Philip Grafton Mole Rhodes (1885-1934)**

*Member:* 1905->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Rhodes was born in Birmingham, a son of Philip Rhodes (1837/8-1906), a sword-cutler's clerk, and Emma Jane (*née* Goss, 1852-1931, a mariner's daughter). Philip Rhodes senior was a son of Jonathan Rhodes (1796-1865, manufacturer of files and magnets in Birmingham) and Elizabeth (*née* Mole, 1794-1876, daughter of William Mole).

Rhodes went to King Edward's School, Birmingham, and became a priest after graduating from Cambridge and Fribourg. He converted to Roman Catholicism while a curate at Kidderminster, Worcestershire, and later became a priest at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Evesham, Worcestershire. He was also a professor of theology at St Mary's College, Oscott, Sutton Coldfield, Birmingham.

Rhodes contributed ... to the exchange. He lived in Duchess Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham in 1901, where Edward Cleminshaw (see above) was a neighbour. In 1924 he moved to Oscott College, Birmingham.

He compiled "Some bryological photographs from North Wales" (*The Bryologist*, 19, (2): 26-27).

His liverworts and lichens are at Birmingham Museum, and his mosses are at the Natural History Museum in London, with additional plants at the City Museum and Art Gallery in Bristol. Brecknock Museum also has 13 specimens of fungi and lichens that he collected in the 1920s.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 3 (1934), page 246.

### **Edward Alfred Richards (1880-1927)**

*Member:* 1910-1927

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Richards was the second of five sons born to Edward Thomas Richards (1848-1893), a private tutor and second master at Winwick Grammar School in Lancashire, and Mary Dorothy (Dorothea, or Dora, *née* Lemon, 1850). He and his elder brother were born in Liverpool, but the family moved to Bollington, Cheshire in 1881/2.

Richards became a salesman for flour-millers in Liverpool. From 1913 until 1919 he was living in Liscard, Cheshire. In 1920 he lived at Hillside Cottage, Breck Road, Wallasey, Cheshire (cf. Miss Cooke and William Lee); in 1921 he was at 12, Belvidere Road, Liscard, Cheshire. He married Mary Dorothy ..., and at the time of his death he was residing at Wallasey, Cheshire. Mary survived him, and died in 1935.

He contributed ... to the exchange. His herbarium is at the Natural History Museum in London, with further plants at Merseyside Museum in Liverpool.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1926-7), page 322.

### **Paul Westmacott Meredith Richards (1909-1995)**

*Member:* 1920-1995

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Richards was living at 70, Belsize Park Gardens in north-west London in 1921. He is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Francis Rilstone (1881-1953)**

*Member:* 1913->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Rilstone was born at Penhallow near Perranporth, Cornwall, the elder son of John Rilstone (1855/6-1924), a mine blacksmith, and his wife Martha (*née* ..., died 1933). John Rilstone became a J.P. and was active in the social and religious life of the parish.

Francis attended Penwartha School, where he became a pupil-teacher. From there he went to Treleigh near Redruth, and thence to Westminster College in London for professional training. He took up his first teaching appointment at St. Mary's School, Truro, where he remained for some years before becoming headmaster first of St. Agnes Boys' School and then in 1914 of Polperro Council Primary School. He did not marry,

and retired in poor health to Perranzabuloe in 1934. He was an antiquarian, freemason, Methodist local preacher, and for some years chairman of the parish council.

Rilstone began botanising in 1905 or 1906, when he spent the whole of at least one summer holiday exploring the countryside around his home. He was interested in cryptogams from early in his botanical career, became acquainted with W.H. Pearson and D.A. Jones, and acted as distributor for the beginners' section of the MEC, continuing in that role for the BBS after 1923. He wrote a *Bryophyte Flora of Cornwall* (1948), and was very interested in brambles (*Rubus*) from 1919, and rust fungi from 1925. His plants are at the Natural History Museum in London, Bristol, Liverpool, the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff, Truro, Wellesley College, and at Oxford. A photograph of Rilstone is published in his obituary in *Proceedings of the Botanical Society of the British Isles* (1954) 1: 110-113.

### **Kate Edith Ritson (1903-1985)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Ritson was born in Chiswick to Joseph Ritson (1868/9-1948, secretary to a limited company in 1911) and Ethel Kate (*née* Godbold, 1881/2-1951, daughter of George Godbold, born 1831, and Martha Clutter *née* Rush, c.1853-1925).

Miss Ritson was a schoolteacher in Canterbury, Kent in 1939, and died at Torbay, Devon.

### **David R. Robertson (1872-1950)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Robertson worked as a clerk and secretary at a jute mill in Dundee. He was a son of David Robertson (born 1819/20, a storekeeper) and his wife Helen. He took up botany in about 1910, and his plants are at Edinburgh and Dundee University.

### **Wilfrid Robinson (1885-1930)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Robinson was a son of James Fraser Robinson (1857-1927, elementary schoolmaster and botanist who wrote the *Flora of the East Riding of Yorkshire*) and Mary Laird (*née* Barrie, 1856/7-1929). He married Annie Bamber (1883-1955) in 1914.

Robinson followed his father in having an interest in botany. He studied the rusts of Hollyhocks, wilt on Asters, and crown galls on Chrysanthemums. He taught botany and chemistry at Hull Technical College and the Friends' School at Penketh near Warrington, before becoming a lecturer at Manchester, and then Professor at Aberystwyth from 1926 until 1930. While at Aberystwyth he studied the physiology of seaweeds.

### **Samuel Wesley Rollings (1877-1962)**

*Member:* 1909-1910

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Rollings was born in Streatham, Surrey, a son of Samuel Rollings (1839/40-1917), a coachman and then cab-driver, and Anne (Annie) Elizabeth (*née* Brown, 1840/1-1926). He married Minnie Carpenter Clare (1870/1-1959) in 1901 (they had no children in 1911), and joined the MEC in 1909, by which time he had graduated B.Sc. and was living in Westminster, London. In 1911 he was a tutor at a training college, and in 1926 he was a science lecturer. He and Minnie had retired to Dover by 1939, and Samuel died there.

### **Ida Mary Roper (1865-1935)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Roper was born in Westbury, Bristol, daughter of John Abraham Roper (1815-1891, a wholesale chemist and druggist) and Lucy Emma (*née* James, 1828-1895). Ida cited no occupation in the Census Return of 1891, and in 1901 and 1911 she was living on "own means" and "private means". She died in Bristol.

### **Samuel Pryce Rowlands (c.1887-1957)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Rowlands was born in Madagascar, a son of Thomas Rowlands (1852-1921) and Elizabeth (*née* Lloyd, 1854-1916). In 1917 Samuel married Elsie Elizabeth Johnson;

they had two daughters. Samuel was a doctor, and settled in Doncaster, Yorkshire, where he died.

### **Caroline Elizabeth Ruddy (1886-1945)**

*Member:* 1912-1913

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Caroline Ruddy was a daughter of Thomas Ruddy (1842-1912), gardener at Palé Hall, Llandderfel, Bala, Merionethshire in 1871, 1881, 1891 and 1901) by his second wife Frances Harriett (formerly Williams, 1846-1898). Frances's mother was born Frances Pamplin, sister of the botanist and bookseller William Pamplin (1806-1899) who retired from his business in London to settle at Llandderfel in the 1860s.

Thomas Ruddy was born in Murrisk, Ireland, a son of Thomas Ruddy senior (1813-1865), who was also born in Murrisk, but died in Jedburgh, Scotland. Thomas junior (Caroline's father) became a naturalist, and wrote a paper 'On the upper part of the Cambrian (Sedgwick) and base of the Silurian in North Wales' (*Quarterly Journal of the Geological Society*, 1879, 35:200-8). He led the Caradoc and Severn Valley Field Club when they visited Bala and district in 1887 and 1904, and with Daniel Angell Jones contributed botanical information for A. Morris's book *Merionethshire* (1913) in the Cambridge County Geography Series.

Caroline lived at Brynrefail, Cwm-y-Glo, Caernarvon when she joined the MEC in 1912. She married a Scotsman, Robert Stuart McKim (1869-1951) in 1925, and died in Glasgow.

### **Ernest Stanley Salmon (1872-1959)**

*Member:* 1896-1903

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Salmon was the fourth of five children born in Richmond, Surrey to Samuel Salmon (1828/9-1916), a London surveyor, and Isabella (*née* Phillips, 1834-1915). Ernest's younger brother Charles Edgar (1873-1930) became an architect, and was also a botanist.

Ernest was a mycologist at Kew from 1899 until 1906, from where he joined the staff of Wye College, University of London until 1937, where he became an Emeritus Professor of Mycology.

Salmon contributed .... to the exchange.

Salmon accompanied Dixon and Nicholson (see above) to Sutherland in 1899.

His plants are at Edinburgh, Kew, Cardiff and Oxford. Liverpool Museum has 30 of his packets.

### **John Henry Salter (1862-1942)**

*Member:* 1904-1906

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Salter was born at Westleton in Suffolk, son of William Henry Salter (1828-1869) and Lucy (*née* Appleton, 1832-1887). William was a grocer and draper, and brought up as a Quaker.

John Salter married Adah Sophia Freeman (1863-1917) in Birmingham in 1899. They had two sons: Arnold Llewelyn (born 1901) and Ronald Gower (1903-1971). Ronald became a land agent.

John Salter qualified as a science teacher, and in 1891 was appointed the first Professor of Botany at Aberystwyth. He joined the MEC in 1905.

### **Cecil Ivry Sandwith (1871-1961)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mrs Sandwith was born Cecil Ivry Huntsman, daughter of Reverend Edmund John Huntsman (1828-1897) and Charlotte Cordelia Tyrelline (*née* Lillingston, 1833-1903). She married Reverend Edward Pitcairn Sandwith (1865-1904, vicar of Harworth, Nottinghamshire). Their son Noel Yvri Sandwith (1901-1965) was also a noted botanist. Cecil was working at a market garden in Bristol in 1939.

For many years the Sandwiths lived at Clifton, Bristol.

### **Amy Muriel Saunders (1888-1944)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Saunders was born in Woking, Surrey, one of seven children of Edward Saunders (1847/8-1910, underwrite and broker) and Mary Agnes (*née* Brown – see below – daughter of Edward Brown, 1808-1866, merchant, and Emma Parkinson Watts Keys *née* Dimock, 1821-1906). Edward Saunders was an entomologist and son of William Wilson Saunders (1809-1879, underwriter and naturalist, see *Dictionary of National Biography*). Edward Saunders's sister Mary Anne (1846-1927) married the naturalist Reverend Thomas Roscoe Rede Stebbing (1835-1926).

Doris Powell (see above) also lived in Reigate.

### **Mary Agnes Saunders (1851/2-1946)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Mary Saunders (*née* Brown, see Amy Saunders, above) [[joined the BBS ....](#)]

### **George Brooke Savery (1876-1937)**

*Member:* 1906->1923

*Bryological activity:* discovered *Fissidens curvatus* new to Britain.

*Herbarium:*

Savery was born in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, the second of three sons of Frank Passmore Savery (1835/6-1917), a woollen merchant, and Mary Hannah (*née* Brooke, 1845/6-1925). He was educated at Oatlands School, Harrogate (now occupied by St. Aidan's) from 1887. He became a civil engineer, and settled in Silverton, near Exeter, Devon. Perhaps he knew the Reverend Henry Boyden and Louis Pegler (see above), who lived locally and were also members of the MEC. He joined the MEC in 1915, and remained a member until >1926. He contributed ... to the exchange. His plants are at Exeter Museum, with further material at the City Museum and Art Gallery in Bristol, and Torquay Natural History Society Museum.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 4 (1937), page 63.

### **Albert Schumacher (1893-1975)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

### **Lorna Iris Scott (1895-1984)**

*Member:* ?1923-???

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Lorna Iris Scott was born on September 29<sup>th</sup> 1895 at Tamil Nadu in India. Her father Horace William (1855/6-1930) was a Major in the Lancashire Fusilliers, and came from a military family; his own father was William Henry Horatio Scott (1822-1878, Deputy Commissary General at Her Majesty's Ordnance Store Department, Devonport, Devon), who had served in South Africa (where he was born) and Hong Kong. An elder sister of Lorna's, Ida Mildred (1889-1975, q.v.) married Dr Richard John Bentley and was also a member of the BBS.

Lorna Scott's mother was Sophia Parsons (*née* Fenemore, 1859-1941), daughter of Henry Fenemore, a pig-dealer of Steeple Aston, Oxfordshire.

Scott was a plant anatomist, algologist and bryologist. She lectured in botany at Leeds University (where her address was Lyddon Hall from at least 1921-6), and was a colleague of Priestley (q.v.). Scott graduated M.Sc. from Royal Holloway College, London in 1929, when her home (and parents') address was 7 Elwick Road, Ashford, Kent. She retired in 1958 to Yeovil, Somerset, and died there in late 1984.

### **Hansford T. Shacklette (1914-1996)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Shacklette was born in Henderson County, a son of Daniel Fulton Shacklette and Bertha (*née* Taylor). He lived in Morganfield, Uniontown, Kentucky, took a degree in botany (he was at the Department of Botany, University of Michigan in 1947), and became a geologist for the US Geological Survey at Denver, Colorado. He collected plants in Alaska.

### **Hilda Drummond Sharpe (1877-???)**

*Member:* 1911-1913

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Sharpe was a daughter of Charles James Sharpe (1842-1888), civil engineer, and Louisa (*née* Warden, 1842-1916). Louisa was a daughter of William Marston Warden (1815-1890), ironmaster of Birmingham.



Hilda was a schoolteacher in 1901, and lived at 17 Highfield Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham when she joined the MEC in 1911. Thomas Hawkes Russell (1851-1913), a solicitor who wrote *Mosses and Liverworts* (1908, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. 1910) lived round the corner from Miss Sharpe at 17 Vicarage Road, Edgbaston, and two fellow members of the MEC - Cleminshaw and Rhodes - were only about a mile away.

Hilda married Lawton Stilgoe Sedgwick (1877-1918), a veterinary surgeon of Dorridge, Warwickshire in Scotland in 1918; their son Lawton Stilgoe Sedgwick was born in 1919. In 1939 Hilda Sedgwick was living in Clevedon, Somerset. A Hilda Drummond Sedgwick wrote *What shall I do with my garden?* (1930, 1935).

### **George Elliott Shaw (1872-1956)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Shaw was a chemist. From 1892 to 1906 he worked for Messrs Howards & Sons, manufacturing chemists, City Mills, Stratford. Subsequently he spent many years manufacturing quinine in India.

He was born in Hampshire, and died in Tonbridge, Kent. He married Ada Elizabeth Browning in 1902; their children were Winifred Ellen (1907-1993), Vera Constance (1910-1978) and William George (1914-1996).

### **Edward Ferguson Shepherd (1837-1914)**

*Member:* 1899-1902

*Bryological activity:* found *Dicranum undulatum* in Surrey.

*Herbarium:*

Shepherd was the second of eight children born to Joseph Shepherd (1806/7-....), a warehouseman and wool merchant of Sowerby, Halifax, Yorkshire, and Mary (*née* ??Oakes, c. 1815-<1851).

Edward had moved south to Luton, Bedfordshire by 1861, where he was a dyer. In 1867 he married Mary Ann Bunce (1834/5-....) and they had two children, Joseph Edward (b. 1868/9) and Emily Helena (b. 1870) who were both born in Kensington, Middlesex.

By 1881 the family was living at Staines, Middlesex, where Shepherd continued his career in dyeing. By 1891 he was a “dyer and cleaner”, and in 1901 a “proprietor of a dyeing manufactory” working on his own account.

Shepherd contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium is at Kew.

### **William Robert Sherrin (1871-1955)**

*Member:* 1903-1955

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Sherrin contributed .... to the exchange. He is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Athelstane Iliff Simey (1873-1943)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Simey was a practising doctor, born in Sunderland to Ralph Simey (1835-1911, solicitor) and Margaret (*née* Iliff, 1843-1926). He married Alma Margaret Alleyne (1873-1953) at Durham in 1911.

### **Mr J.... R... Simpson (??-??)**

*Member:* ?1921-??

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Simpson was living at The Limes, Selkirk when he joined the MEC in ?1921. He was still living there in 1926. In 1930 he was lodging at Baildon, Yorkshire, and in 1931 he was at 18 Longden Avenue, Dryclough Road, Crosland Moor, Huddersfield.

The Natural History Museum in London has some of the plants he collected.

Perhaps he was James Robert Simpson (born 1873/4 at Galashiels, Selkirkshire), a woollen pattern-designer in 1901, when he was living at 5 Elm Row, Selkirk, Selkirkshire with his housekeeper mother Elizabeth Simpson (born 1833/4) and niece Elizabeth Simpson (born 1885/6, Galashiels), a woollen power-loom weaver.

### **James Sinclair (1913-1968)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Sinclair studied algae. He lived at Ellerslie, Stronsay, Orkney in 1940, where he also died, having been 'lately of the Botanic Gardens in Singapore'.

**Miss Katherine Elizabeth Smith (1877-1953)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Smith found the rare *Gyroweisia reflexa* in a quarry near her home in Nuneaton. In 1911 she was teaching mathematics at Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire.

She was born in Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire, a daughter of Thomas Smith (1838->1911, a builder) and Mary (*née* Cuthbert, 1840->1911).

**Richard Willyams Smitham (1858-1928)**

*Member:* 1904->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Smitham was born at Breage, Cornwall, a son of Richard Smitham (1819/20-1892), tin-miner, and Grace (*née* Williams, 1824/5-1893). He trained as a teacher, and became headmaster of an elementary school at Fowey, Cornwall. Billing (see above) also lived in Fowey, so perhaps they knew each other. Smitham married Elizabeth Tregartha Bailey in 1884, but she died very soon afterwards. In 1887 Smitham married Jessie Clunes (d. 1909), daughter of a Scottish port dealer. They had a daughter, Jessie Clunes Smitham, born in 1888.

Smitham's herbarium is at the Museum in Truro. His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 2 (1928), page 141.

**Reverend Henry Soames (1857/8-1921)**

*Member:* 1904-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Henry Soames was a schoolmaster and clergyman, son of Ely Soames (1821-1908) and Caroline Elizabeth (*née* Clay, 1835-1905). Henry married Mary Sophia Bogie (1846-

1917), daughter of the Reverend Brackenbury Dickson Bogie (1803-1890) and Ann Hubbard Reeson (*née* Wrightson, 1819-1882).

### **Frederick Archibald Sowter (1899-1972)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Sowter was born and died in Leicester, and worked as a sales manager for Courtauld's. His father Thomas Archibald Sowter (1869/70-1947) was a commercial traveller; Thomas married Fanny Maud Dalby (1872-1949). Frederick married Muriel Cicely Chappin (1895-1956) in 1928.

Sowter studied lichens as well as bryophytes.

### **William Stanley (1848/9-1911)**

*Member:* 1907-1910

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Stanley was born in Salybridge, Lancashire, and lived at 93 Upper Brook Street, Chorlton-upon-Medlock, Manchester in 1907 and 1911. His parents lived along the same street; they were Robert Stanley (born c.1829 in Cardiff, a grocer in 1851 and 1861, and an innkeeper in 1891) and Emma (*née* Meredith, c. 1826 in Tewkesbury). William was the eldest of ten children.

William married Mary Anna Ashton (born c. 1849) in 1870. They had three children: Emma Jane (1872), Hannah Ashton Hilton (1874/5) and Robert Edward (1881).

William married Sophia Oakes (born 1865/6) in 1899. They had William (1899/1900), Rupert (1901/2), John (1902/3) and Mary (1904/5).

William was a commercial clerk in 1871, and a mercantile clerk and laundry manager in 1911.

### **Herbert Stansfield (1861-1928)**

*Member:* 1914->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Stansfield was born in Halifax, Yorkshire, probably the third child born to William (b. 1829/30), shuttle-maker, and Elizabeth (*née* Hirst, 1836/7). Herbert was a songman at the cathedral in York in 1901. He was still living in York in 1921, and remained there until at least 1926. Perhaps he knew William Ingham, who was Honorary Secretary of the Moss Exchange Club for many years, and whose father-in-law was an organ-builder and organist in York.

### **William Campbell Steere (1907-1989)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Steere worked at the University of Michigan, and later at New York Botanical Garden and Columbia University.

### **Carl Stenholm (1862-1939)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Captain Stenholm was an amateur lichenologist as well as a bryologist.

### **Thomas Stephenson (1865/6-1948)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Reverend Stephenson was a Wesleyan Methodist minister, who married Margaret Ellen Fletcher in 1896; Thomas Alan (see below) was their first child.

Thomas Stephenson was born in Brackley, Northamptonshire and died at Hindhead, Surrey. He made a particular study of orchids.

### **Thomas Alan Stephenson (1898-1961)**

*Member:* 1915-1917

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Stephenson was born in Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset, son of the Reverend Thomas Stephenson (1865-1948, see above), a Wesleyan minister who was a keen botanist, and Margaret (*née* Fletcher, 1868/9), daughter of the Reverend George Fletcher, who was Governor of the Wesleyan Trinity College in Richmond, Surrey.

Thomas Alan moved to Aberystwyth with his parents in 1914, and was living in North Road, Aberystwyth when he joined the MEC in 1915.

Stephenson married Anne Wood (1899-1977) in 1922, and became a demonstrator in zoology at the university in Aberystwyth, moving to London in 1923 to take up a lectureship in zoology at University College. An accomplished artist and authority on the taxonomy of sea anemones and the ecology of coral reefs, his main professional interest was in marine zoology, and he subsequently accepted the chair of zoology at Cape Town, South Africa, before returning to Aberystwyth as professor of zoology (1940-1961).

Eva Jennie Fry and John Lloyd Williams (q.v.) also lived in Aberystwyth during Stephenson's first period of residence there, and were fellow members of the Moss Exchange Club.

### **Edmund Henry Stevens (1864/5-1946)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Stevens was a son of Edmund Stevens (born 1831, elementary schoolmaster) and Mary Ann (*née* Miles, 1838). He was born at Hartlip, Kent, married Ellen Wells (born 1865/6, daughter of Joseph Wells (born 1838/9, a grocer), and died at Rothbury, Northumberland.

Following in his father's career, Stevens became a schoolmaster, and then headmaster of a secondary school at Rothbury, Northumberland.

### **Elizabeth Harcourt Stevenson (1881-1964)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Stevenson was born at Ashton-on-Trent, Derbyshire, daughter of Richard Stevenson (1846-1885, farmer) and Sarah Emily (*née* Hault, c.1850-1921).

By 1911 Elizabeth was an assistant mistress at Salisbury Training College, and her address in 1930 was the Training College, The Close, Salisbury in 1930. By 1946 she was at 28 Foxcombe Road, Weston, Bath, Somerset. She died at Leicester.

### **Sir James Stirling (1836-1916)**

*Member:* 1899-1916

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Stirling was a Chancery Judge, Lord Justice of Appeal from 1900 until 1905, and Privy Councillor. Eldest child of the Reverend James Stirling (1797/8-1871) and Sarah Hendry Stirling (*née* Irvine, 1813-1875) of Old Machar, Aberdeen, he went to Cambridge University at the same time as Thomas Barker (see above) who also came from Aberdeen. Stirling practised as a barrister after training in law at Lincoln's Inn.

In 1868, Stirling married Elizabeth Renton (1845-1918), daughter of John Thomson Renton (1816/7-1854), a Scotsman living in Shelford, Surrey, and Elizabeth (*née* Leishman, 1829/30, in Nova Scotia). They had three children – James Irvine (b. 1869/70), Agnes Renton (b. 1871) and John Gordon (b. 1874).

In 1871 the family was at Hanover Terrace in Kensington, and by 1881 had moved to Ladbrooke Grove in Kensington. In 1891 the Stirlings were at Bradstone Brook, Shelford, Surrey (where the Rentons lived), and leased Finchcocks, Goudhurst, Kent from 1890 onwards. Stirling spent most of his time there after retiring in 1906, and pursued his interests in science, becoming vice-president of the Royal Society in 1909-10.

Stirling joined the MEC in 1897, and remained a member until his death. He often bryologised with Robert Kidston (1852-1924), and contributed .... to the exchange ..... His herbarium is at the Museum and Art Gallery in Tunbridge Wells, with additional material collected between 1853 and 1898 at the Stirling Smith Art Gallery and Museum in Stirling, and Cardiff.

### **Per Stormer (1907-1991)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Stormer was a son of Professor Carl Stormer and Adelaide (*née* Clausen). Carl Stormer was a mathematician and keen amateur botanist. Per Stormer's brother Leif Stormer (1905-1979) was a prominent palaeontologist.

Per Stormer worked at the Botanical Museum in Oslo (cf. Miss Breien, above).

### **Alfred Sutton (1859-1931)**

*Member:* 1917->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Sutton was born in Brighton, the eldest of four children of Alfred (born c. 1826/7), a coal merchant's clerk, and Rachel (*née* Clark, 1829/30-1884). Both parents were Londoners. In 1881, Alfred the son became an assistant science teacher, but he spent most of his working life employed at the Patent Office in London. He married Annie Elizabeth Houghton (born 1860/1), a cheesemonger's daughter. Alfred was living at 9, Brookfield Park, London NW5 when he joined the MEC in 1917, and was still there in 1926. He was an Associate of the Royal School of Mines.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 2 (1931), page 389.

### **Bertha Mary Sutton (c.1911-?1995)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Sutton may have been the person who joined the BBS in 1929, when she lived at 7 Woodland Terrace, Chapel Allerton, near Leeds, and who died at Bridlington, Yorkshire. In 1935 her address was The Macmillan Nursery School, Sussex Street, Brighton.

### **Nicholas Temperley (1844-1924)**

*Member:* 1919->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Temperley was the eldest child of William Angus Temperley (1819-1898), a corn and provisions merchant and Congregationalist of Hexham, Northumberland, and his wife Margaret (*née* Ridley, 1819/20-1881). Nicholas took over his father's business, importing corn and provisions.

In 1873 Nicholas married Alice Marian Cocking (1848-1884), daughter of George Cocking, a chemist and druggist of Ludlow, Shropshire, who was also an amateur botanist. Nicholas and Alice's second child, George William (1875-1967) in turn became a naturalist, taking interest in birds and plants.

When he joined the MEC in 1919, Nicholas Temperley was a JP, and living at 4, Carlton Terrace, Low Fell, Gateshead, Northumberland. He died at Edinburgh on September 9<sup>th</sup> 1924, and was buried in the cemetery at Hexham.



His herbarium is at the Hancock Museum, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, where his son George William was curator in the 1930s.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1924), page 95.

### **William Nichols Tetley (1861-1928)**

*Member:* 1908->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Tetley was the second child of James Douglas Tetley (1827/8-1910), a Wesleyan minister, and Eliza Hannah (*née* Stephenson, 1834/5-1906).

William's father moved frequently with his work, so although William was born in Sheffield, he was educated at King Edward's School in Birmingham, and Kingswood in Bath.

Of his siblings, his elder brother James Douglas (junior) qualified as a solicitor, and was a parliamentary agent living at Market Drayton, Shropshire in 1911.

William graduated from Cambridge, and was at Durham College of Science from 1889 to 1890. He also spent six years as assistant master at Pembroke High School in Lytham, and taught science at Portora Royal School in Enniskillen from 1891 until 1919. In 1923 he was living at Portora, Enniskillen. In 1926 his address was 12 St. Jude's Avenue, Ormeau Road, Belfast, and by 1928 he was living at Hoylake, Cheshire.

His plants are at Ulster Museum, and his obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 2 (1927), page 68.

### **Arnold Thompson (1876-1959)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Thompson is the subject of a separate Bygone Bryologists article.

### **Dr. F. Thompson (???-???)**

*Member:* 1904-1905

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Dr Thompson was living at 10 Hurlingham Court Mansions, Hurlingham, London SW when he joined the MEC in 1904.

**Jane Smithson Thomson (c.1876-1972)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Thomson lived at 28 Lower Baggot Street, Dublin in 1937. She was a daughter of Alexander Forbes Thomson and Jane (*née* Stuart), and sister of Murray Forbes Thomson (1868-1946), Jessie Forbes Thomson and Mary Stuart Thomson.

**Francis William Thorrington (1870/1-1944)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Thorrington was an examining officer for Customs and Excise in 1911, having followed his father Francis Thorrington (1849-1897) in profession. His mother was born Caroline Dinnick (1850-1907), and he married Edith Annie Hopwood (1867/8-1953); they had a son Francis Edmund (born 1901/2).

**Thomas Cyril Thrupp (1883-1965)**

*Member:* 1910-1911

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Thrupp was born in Brighton, the second child of seven born to Robert James (1846-1943), a brewer's clerk and later manager, and Alma (*née* Gates, 1845/6->1911).

He joined the MEC in 1910, when he was living at 55 Hall Gate, Doncaster. In 1911 he was living in Haywards Heath, Sussex, and he left the Club after that year. He became a lieutenant in the Royal Flying Corps in 1916.

Thrupp contributed .... to the exchange. His herbarium is at ....

**Mr A. Tomter (???-???)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Tomter was living at Collin, Dumfries in 1937. Perhaps he was Andrew Tomter (born c. 1877, a farmer in 1907 when he arrived at Liverpool by ship from New York. Or was he Anders Tomter (born c.1895), a Norwegian engineer, who married Dagny [....]?

### **William George Town (c.1875-1956)**

*Member:* 1916->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

William George Town (b. 1875 in Camden Town, London) was a life insurance agent in 1901, living at 26, Gloucester Road, Botchergate, Carlisle, and married to Sarah Ellen (*née* Hill, 1872 in Todmorden; died 1944). In 1911 he was a cotton-weaver and also dealing in sweets and groceries, and living in Todmorden with Sarah and their children Edith Helen (born 1901/2), Clarence William (1904/5), Winifred (1906/7) and George Hubert (1911). Town was living at 47 Morse Street, Burnley, Lancashire when he joined the MEC in 1916, but had returned to Frith's Terrace, Bacup Road, Todmorden (Sarah's home town) in 1921-4, after which his name disappeared from the list of members. He was still living in Bacup Road when he died. He married Ada Charnley in 1947.

### **William Gladstone Travis (1877-1958)**

*Member:* 1907->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Travis was born in Toxteth Park, south Liverpool, the eldest son of three surviving children of John Travis (b. 1845/6), a self-employed laundryman in Liverpool, and Mary (*née* Shannon, 1846). His brother Charles Beard Travis (1878-1949) became a noted geologist. During William's youth the family moved to Kirkdale on the northern side of Liverpool, and then in 1905 to Walton, Liverpool, where William lived for the rest of his life. He did not marry.

William became a patent agent's clerk, serving for 45 years as foreign correspondent with W.P. Thompson & Co., Chartered Patent Agents, until retiring in 1937, aged 60. He became fluent in French, German and Spanish.

By 1905 Travis had become friendly with J.A. Wheldon, and in 1906 Wheldon, Travis and Samuel Gasking formed the Liverpool Botanical Society, a breakaway botanical

group of the Liverpool Naturalists' Field Club. Travis's obituary in *Proceedings of the Botanical society of the British Isles* (1960) 3: 470-473 relates that a committee was appointed "to start work on a much-needed 'Flora of South Lancashire' ... and for this vast project Travis was a natural choice as secretary. He remained secretary for fifty years. After twenty, the 'Flora' was virtually complete, but for one reason or another publication was delayed. Printing costs rose steeply ... fresh groups proved in need of revision ... new botanists turned up to explore the less well-known areas. Eventually his health began to deteriorate, his energy flagged, and then, when the typing of the manuscript was at last approaching completion, finally he died. Publication of the work, which will always be his monument, still remains in doubt – a standing rebuke to the most densely populated vice-county in the country and at the same time an awful warning to all compilers who for the sake of completeness are tempted to indulge too long in the easier pleasures of collecting and collating."

Of his character and appearance, his obituary relates that Travis "was extremely modest and reserved, and little of his private life was ever revealed to botanical friends... Near the end of his life ... [he was] a small, spare, slightly stooping and alarmingly frail-looking figure, walking – or rather, shuffling – along with a look of agony on his face which made his quiet, gentle shafts of humour all the more delightfully unexpected and incongruous... The breadth of his interest (invariably backed by the most thorough first-hand knowledge), from flowering plants through mosses and hepatics to lichens, rust fungi and even myxomycetes, was staggering to botanists accustomed to the specialization of the present day.... He also maintained an active interest in morphology and ecology, deriving his approach to the latter partly from Wheldon's pioneering of the study of plant associations and partly from his own intensive knowledge of the local surface geology."

Travis contributed ... to the exchange, and was the joint author of comprehensive accounts of the hepatics and lichens of south Lancashire and of the mosses and lichens of the Wirral. His herbarium is at Merseyside Museums.

### **Hilda Mary Trotter (1884-1943)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Hilda was born Hilda Mary Pierce, daughter of John Pierce (1849-????) and Hannah Louise (*née* ..., 1852). She married Leslie Trotter (see below) in 1914.

### **Leslie Batten Currie Trotter (1882-1964)**

*Member:* ?1921-1964

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Trotter was born at Coleford, Gloucestershire, a son of Dr. Leslie Batten Trotter (c.1850-1934) and Elizabeth (*née* Currie, 1858-1882). Leslie Trotter senior was a son of Thomas Birt Trotter (1806-c.1855), grocer and general merchant at Coleford, and Jane (*née* Thomas, c.1815-1885). Elizabeth Currie was a daughter and fifth child of John Currie (1814-1904), chemist and druggist of Glasgow, and Mary Stark (*née* Kirkwood, 1823-1901). John Currie was a son of John Currie, a candlemaker, and Elizabeth (*née* Kirkwood). Mary Kirkwood was a daughter of Robert Kirkwood (born c.1784), a house factor in 1851, and Jean or Jane (*née* Stark, c.1782).

Leslie Trotter senior married secondly Elizabeth Mary Catchpole in 1890.

Trotter's first cousin, Wilfred Batten Lewis Trotter (1872-1939) was surgeon to the King, Professor of surgery at University College Hospital in London, and also wrote *The Instincts of the Herd in Peace and War* (1914); he has an entry in the *Dictionary of National Biography*.

Leslie Trotter practised as a physician in Ledbury from 1913 until 1939, and joined the MEC in 1921, becoming President of the BBS in 1956. In 1914 he married Hilda Mary (*née* Pierce), daughter of John Pierce, solicitor of Nottingham, and Hannah Louisa (*née* Bullock). Hilda was drowned in a boating accident off the coast of the West Highlands in 1943, along with Cecil Marquand (q.v.).

Trotter's plants are at the National Museum and Gallery of Wales in Cardiff, and his drawings are at the Linnaean Society in London.

### **Harry Tully (1896-1951)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Tully was a wealthy ship-owner who left estate valued at £187,108. He was born at Whitfield, Northumberland, a son of James Emery Tully (1852-1931, ship-owner) and Jane Eleanor (*née* Latimer, 1869-1942). The Tullys owned Newton Hall, Stocksfield, Northumberland, and also Milburn House in Newcastle upon Tyne. Harry lived at Alnmouth, Northumberland in later years.

### **Arthur Turner (1884-1954)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Arthur Turner was born in Easby, Yorkshire, the eldest of seven children born to Frederick George Turner (1859/60-1936, a cotton overlooker in 1911) and Sarah (*née* Riley, 1859/60). In 1911 the entire family worked in the cotton industry at Nelson, Lancashire, and Arthur was still a cotton-weaver in 1939.

Turner married Martha Hartley in 1921, and they lived at 140 Pine Street, Nelson, Lancashire in 1927 and 1947, and 21 Pinfold Place, Nelson in 1954.

### **Allan Robert Uggla (1878-1959), F.L.S.**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Uggla was a military attaché at the Royal Swedish Legation, 27 Portland Place, London in 1926 and 1930. He was a Major, then Lt.-Colonel. He was a son of Erik Robert Uggla and Adine Matilda Asklof. He married Ida Evelina Augusta Petersen (1879-1967), and they had a son Claes Augustin Uggla.

### **Frans Verdoorn (1906-1984)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Verdoorn was a Dutch bryologist. In addition to bryology, he also studied the history of botany.

### **Willern Hendrik Wachter (1882-1946)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Wachter taught at a Dutch high school.

### **Cosslett Herbert Waddell (1858-1919)**

*Member:* 1896-1919

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Waddell's initiative led to the foundation of the MEC in 1896, and he remained a member until his death. He is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **John Walton, FRSE (1895-1971)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Walton was Professor of Botany at Glasgow University from 1930 until 1962.

### **Joseph Heald Ward (1839-1920)**

*Member:* 1915-1917

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Reverend Ward was a son of Isaac Ward (born c.1790) and Sarah (*née* Parkinson, 1785-1836). In 1868 he married Laetitia Wyndham (1841->1911), and they had three surviving children: Laetitia Josephine (1870-1952), Katharine (1872-1963) and Francis Wyndham (1873-1950).

Ward lived at 16 Hartley Road, Exmouth when he joined the MEC in 1915. When his niece Ann Wyndham (q.v.) joined the MEC in 1917, she also lived at this address. Ward was no longer a member by 1919.

### **Johannes Warnstorf (1866-???1925)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Johannes was a son of the German bryologist Carl Friedrich Warnstorf (1837-1921).

### **William Booth Waterfall (1850-1915)**

*Member:* 1907-1915

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Waterfall was born in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, the eldest son of William (1818/20-1902), chemist and merchant, and Sarah (*née* Waterfall, 1824-1891). William was a son of James Waterfall (1786-1840), confectioner and watchmaker, and Elizabeth (*née* Booth 1792-1867).

A Quaker, he was educated at Wigton School (1859-65), where he developed a life-long interest in natural history. After leaving school, aged nearly 15, he joined Wilson Brothers, ship-owners of Sunderland, with whom he remained for eight years, rising to the rank of captain. In 1873 he broke his knee-cap during a storm at sea, an injury that obliged him to give up seafaring. He joined his father who was in the fertilizer trade, married Georgina Robinson (born 1849/50), daughter of George Robinson and Anna Patience Robinson, and moved to Bristol in 1878. In 1879 he became junior partner in the Avon Manure Company, and upon its conversion to a limited company he became managing director, a position he held until his death. In 1891 and 1901 he was a self-employed manufacturer of chemical fertilizers, with two sons and three daughters. In 1913-14 he was President of the Bristol Chamber of Commerce. At the time of his death he was residing at Thirlemere, Woodstock Road, Redland, Bristol, and was a wealthy man. He was buried alongside his parents at Lawrence Weston cemetery.

Waterfall joined the MEC in 1907 and remained a member until his death. He contributed .... to the exchange. Plants that he collected are at Kew, with additional plants at Ulster Museum in Belfast, Cardiff, and Bootham School Natural History Society in York. He contributed vascular plants to the Botanical Exchange Club's annual exchange in the 1880s.

Bristol Record Office has a photograph of Waterfall as President of Bristol Chamber of Commerce and Industry, dated 1913 (ref: 38605/Ph/16).

### **Richard Waterfield (1874-1959)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Richard Waterfield (1874-1959) was a son of Sir Henry Waterfield (1837-1913, financial secretary at the India Office in 1891) and his first wife Katherine Jane (*née* Wood, 1841-1882, daughter of George Edward Wilmot Wood). He was educated at Westminster School and Oxford, after which he followed his father into the civil service as an accountant in the India office.

Richard married Isabella Kathleen Dudley White (1880-1944, daughter of Charles Leonard Jackson White) in 1901. They had two children: Ottiwell (born in India in 1902) and Diana Rosalie May (1906-1958).



Waterfield was living at 42 Union Street, Exeter in 1937 and 1939, and at 7 Buckeridge Road, Teignmouth, Devon in 1947. Buckeridge Road was still his address when he died.

### **Walter Watson (1872-1960)**

*Member:* 1908->1926

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Watson was born at Kirkby Overblow, near Sicklinghall, south of Harrogate, Yorkshire, the seventh and youngest child of William (1835/6-1891), a master boot-maker, and Jane (*née* Newsom, 1828/9-1887, a shoe-maker's daughter). William remarried in 1891 (the year he died), taking as his bride Jane Burton (b. 1863/4), daughter of Benjamin Burton, who was a pipe-moulder in 1871 and a sawyer in 1881.

Not long after Walter was born, the family moved to Saddleworth, Yorkshire, where Walter attended Boarshurst School, and for a while assisted with his father's business.

He graduated from the Royal College of Science at London University (which in 1922 conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Science for his researches), and taught successively at Larn Grammar School (1901-2), Poulton-le-Fylde Grammar School (1901), Sexey's School at Bruton in Somerset (1903-7, cf. Charles Edward Moss, q.v.) where he was botany master, and finally Taunton School (1908-39), where he became senior science-master. Charles Bedford (see above) also taught at Taunton School.

Like his father before him, Watson married twice. He was a widower in 1911.

Watson was an expert lichenologist, and his last published work was a *Census Catalogue of British Lichens* (1953). He contributed .... to the exchange. His bryophytes went to the Natural History Museum in London. His lichens are at Kew, with other plants at the county Museum in Taunton.

### **William Charles Richard Watson (1885-1954)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Watson worked as a clerk for the Post Office. He also studied brambles. He was a son of James Watson (1854-1914, a corn carrier in 1891, and a railway porter in 1901) and Elizabeth (*née* Burrage Dennis, 1850-1925). James and Elizabeth were both born in Norfolk, and settled in Chiselhurst, Kent.

Watson married Florence Phoebe Cooper (1883-1958, daughter of Alfred Cooper, 1852-1933, and Margaret Hannah *née* Clayton, 1855-1919) in 1913; they had two children: Margaret Elizabeth (1915-1993) and Phyllis Jane (1920-2004).

### **Mary Weightman (1883-1941)**

*Member:* 1920->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Weightman taught at Birkenhead High School for Girls. She lived at 13 Alexandra Road, Waterloo, Liverpool when she joined the MEC in 1920, and was still at that address in 1926. She was the eldest daughter of Henry Herbert Weightman (born 1855, Litherland; died 1935), a self-employed land surveyor and valuer in 1901, and Mary (*née* Fernie 1856/7-1936), who lived at 21, Sefton Road, Litherland, Liverpool in 1901.

### **Frederick Ernest Weiss (1865-1953)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Weiss became professor of botany at Manchester. He was a son of the German-born Charles John Philip Weiss (merchant of Huddersfield, who died in France in 1869) and Mary Elizabeth Caroline (*née* Pesel, 1835-1898, daughter of Frederick Pesel, a Parisian banker).

Frederick Weiss married Evelyn Spence Watson (1871-1962, daughter of Robert Spence Watson (1837-1911, solicitor, Liberal and Quaker) at Newcastle-upon-Tyne in 1898.

### **Arthur William Weyman (1860-1935)**

*Member:* 1896-1908

*Bryological activity:* contributed 82 mosses to the exchange in his first year of membership, and nothing thereafter.

*Herbarium:*

Weyman is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article.

### **Harold James Wheldon (1888-1945)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Harold Wheldon was the eldest son of James Alfred Wheldon (see below). He became an accountant.

### **James Alfred Wheldon (1862-1924)**

*Member:* 1896-1924  
*Bryological activity:*

Wheldon was residing at 26 Marchfield Road, Liverpool at the time of his death, and is the subject of a separate 'Bygone Bryologists' article at this web-site.

### **Adriana White (née McBean, 1873-1965)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Adriana McBean was born in Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire, daughter of Lachlan McBean (1833-1879) and his cousin Jane MacBean Moore. She married Henry Thomas White (1868/9-1954) in 1898; they had four children.

Mrs White lived at 140 Station Road, Hendon, London NW4 in 1931, and was still living in Hendon, London when she joined the BBS in 1933. In 1935 and 1939 she was living in Ampfield, Romsey, Hampshire.

### **Miss Grace Wigglesworth (1877-1972)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Grace was assisting at Manchester University's museum in 1911 and in 1925 when she joined the BBS. She was still a botanist at the university in 1939. She was one of nine children born to William Wigglesworth (1828/9-1909, solicitor of Heaton Norris, Stockport) and Hannah Eliza (*née* Furnival, 1836/7-1910).

### **Professor John Lloyd Williams (1854-1945)**

*Member:* 1915->1926

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Williams was born at Plas Isa, Llanrwst, Denbighshire, son of a lead-miner. His father later worked in the slate quarries at Ffestiniog.

He became a schoolmaster at Garndolbenmaen Board School (1875-92), married Elizabeth Jones, daughter of a fishmonger of Criccieth, and then spent four years (1893-97) away from his wife and child in London, where he studied the cytology of seaweeds. After that, he became lecturer in botany at Bangor, where he also acted as Director for Music. In 1901 he was “demonstrator of botany and instructor in music”. In 1906 he co-founded the Welsh Folk-Song Society. Williams became professor of botany at Aberystwyth from 1914-26. He was a close friend of Daniel Angell Jones, and joined the MEC in 1915, when he gave his address as University College, Aberystwyth. He was still at that address in 1926. Two other members of the Moss Exchange Club - Eva Jennie Fry and T.A. Stevenson (q.v.) – also lived in Aberystwyth.

### **Miss W. Williams (?1891-???)**

*Member:* 1920->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Williams was living at 68, Trinity Street, Barry, Glamorgan when she joined the MEC in 1920. She was still there in 1924, after which her name does not appear in the lists of members. Perhaps she was Winifred Williams, a secondary schoolteacher who was living with her widowed mother at 3 Tany-y-ffron, Barry in 1939, daughter of David George Williams (born 1856/7, who worked for the Prudential Assurance Company in 1911) and Elizabeth (*née* Wozley, 1863), and whose elder sister Sophia Sarah Williams (born 1887/8) was a secondary schoolteacher in 1911.

### **Albert Wilson (1862-1949)**

*Member:* 1899->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Wilson joined the MEC in 1898 and remained a member until >1919. He is the subject of a separate ‘Bygone Bryologists’ article.

### **Charles Henry Wilson (1867-1941)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Wilson lived in Filey Road, Scarborough when he joined the BBS and in 1939, and was an assistant museum curator, married to Hannah Eleanor (*née* Robson, 1866) and with an unmarried daughter Marion (born 1902) who had an art needlework shop. Charles and Hannah also had a son James, who was an apprentice electrician in 1911. In 1901 and 1911 the family were in Doncaster, where Charles was an ironmonger.

Charles was born in Batley, Yorkshire, a son of David Wilson (1818-1880, a woollen manufacturer) by his second wife Mary (*née* Fleeman, 1826-1894). He died at Maltongate, Thortondale, Yorkshire.

### **John Charles Wilson (1851/2-1925)**

*Member:* 1904-?1919  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Wilson was born in West Gorton, Manchester, a son of Joseph Wilson (1823/4->1891, a joiner) and Jane (*née* ..., 1824/5).

Wilson became a wealthy solicitor. He married Martha Wrigley in 1874.

Wilson joined the MEC in 1909, when he was living at 914, Ashton Old Road, Manchester. At the time of his death he was residing at 1500 Ashton Old Road, Manchester. He contributed ... to the exchange.

His herbarium is at Warwickshire Museum.

His obituary appeared in *Report of the British Bryological Society* 1 (1926), page 255.

### **Emma Marjorie Wray (1903-1999)**

*Member:*  
*Bryological activity:*  
*Herbarium:*

Miss Wray was a daughter of George William Wray (born 1865/6, a joiner and builder of Leeds, Yorkshire) and Sarah Jane (*née* Tuer, 1861/2). She married Stephen Kendrick Quayle (1907-1997) in 1935.

### **George Edward Bouchier Wrey (1851-1926)**

*Member:* 1912->1919

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

The Wreys originated from Cornwall and north Devon, and George also came into the estates of Caddel and Thorntoun, Ayrshire through his mother's family. He was lodging at "Hestercombe", Farnham Royal, Berkshire in 1901, but resided at 131 Ashley Gardens, Victoria Street, London SW when he joined the MEC in 1912, and was still there in 1921.

George Edward Bouchier Wrey was born in Victoria, Australia, a son of George Bouchier Wrey (1820-1854) and Sarah (*née* Cuninghame, or Cunningham, died 1869). Sarah was a daughter of Colonel John Cuninghame of Caddel, Ayrshire. George Wrey senior was a son of Edward Bouchier Wrey (1794-1840), judge in India, and son of the Reverend Bouchier William Wrey (1761-1839), rector of Tawstock and Combe-in-Teignhead, Devon. Sir Bouchier Wrey (1653-1696), politician, merits entry in the *Dictionary of National Biography*. The Bouchiers (numerous of whom also appear in the *DNB*) descended from Sir William Bouchier (c.1374-1420), Earl of Ewe, and his wife Anne Plantagenet, a granddaughter of King Edward III.

Wrey married his cousin Anne (Annie) Maud (*née* Wrey, died 1950) who was a daughter of Arthur Bouchier Wrey, vicar of Morval, Cornwall in 1871, who was a younger brother of Edward Bouchier Wrey. George and Annie Wrey had a son, Edward Charles (1889-1972, navy commander, O.B.E.), of New Milton.

Wrey remained a member until 1918, but his name did not appear in the list of members for 1919 or 1923. He contributed ... to the exchange. His herbarium is at ...

### **Frederick Wright (1844-1924)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Wright was born at Sutton, Isle of Ely, Cambridgeshire, a son of Thomas Wright (1801-1850, a Quaker) and his second wife Mary (*née* Bennell, 1806-1853/4).

Frederick married Ellen Sophia Jackson (1847-1923, daughter of William Jackson, 1796-1864, and Rebecca *née* Doeg, 1801-1866). In 1923 Frederick married Rebecca Louise Jackson (1880-1938), who was his first wife's great-niece.

Frederick was a clerk in the export market for dried fruit. He died at Camberwell, London.

### **Ann Wyndham (1874-1945)**

*Member:* 1917->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Wyndham was living at her uncle's home 16 Hartley Road, Exmouth when she joined the MEC in 1917 (see Reverend Joseph Heald Ward, q.v.). In 1921 she lived at Orchard Wyndham, Williton, Somerset. In 1922-3 her address was Chacombe, Parkstone, Dorset. In 1924-7 she lived at Orchard Wyndham, Williton, Taunton. In 1939 she enjoyed "private means", and was living at Orchard Wyndham with William Wyndham (born 1868) and Frances Wyndham (born 1871). Ann Wyndham died at Exmouth.

Ann Wyndham was born at Dinton, Wiltshire to William Wyndham (1834-1914) of Dinton Park, Wiltshire, and Orchard Wyndham, Somerset, landowner and farmer, MP, JP, Deputy Lieutenant of Wiltshire, and his wife Frances Ann (*née* Stafford, 1844/5), daughter of the Reverend Charles James Stafford, vicar of Dinton. The Wyndham family was long-established at Orchard Wyndham, dating back to before the time of Sir John Wyndham (1558-1645) and his sons Sir Hugh Wyndham (1602/3-1684) and Sir Wadham Wyndham (1609-1668), see *Dictionary of National Biography*. Later came the politician Sir William Wyndham (c.1688-1740), who was a son of Sir Edward Wyndham of Orchard Wyndham.

### **Stanley Wyard (1887/8-1946)**

*Member:*

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Wyard was born at St. Austell, Cornwall, a son of George Sutton Luther Wyard (1859/60-?1945, Baptist minister) and Sarah Ann (*née* Drew, 1865/6-?1955, daughter of James Drew, hosier and gentleman of Harlington Gore near Hounslow, Middlesex, and Burlington Arcade, Westminster). Stanley Wyard married Constance Enid Lloyd (1890-1956) in 1914.

Wyard became an ear, nose and throat surgeon.

### **Alice Georgina Young (1887-1961)**

*Member:* ?1921->1923

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Miss Young was born and died in Bournemouth. She was living at Clifford, London Road, Waterlooville, Hampshire when she joined the MEC in ?1921. By 1925 she had moved to 194 Holderhurst Road, Bournemouth, along the road from where her parents Tom (born 1854/5, a carman), Ethelinda (*née* Butt, 1855/6-1944) and siblings Florence, Lilian, Frederick and Edith had been living in 1891 and 1901. Alice's name does not appear in the list of members for 1927.

Miss Young introduced Ted Wallace to bryology.

### **William Young (1865-1947)**

*Member:* 1896->1926

*Bryological activity:*

*Herbarium:*

Young was a native of Kirkcaldy and lived there for most of his life. He was the eldest of thirteen children born to Andrew Ramsey Young (1837-1914) and Marion (*née* Buchanan, 1838). Andrew Young was a self-made and successful business-man who started out as an office boy at the Links Pottery manufactory in Kirkcaldy, where he rose to become manager and eventually owner. He left an estate valued at £99,502 when he died. Marion was a shoemaker's daughter, born in Linlithgow, West Lothian. Marion's family had moved to Kirkcaldy by 1851, where her father employed 16 men and four boys in 1861.

William started work at his father's pottery factory, and succeeded to the business. However, in common with many others in the same line, the business failed after the First World War.

William was then invited to overhaul botanical collections in the herbarium at Edinburgh Botanic Gardens. He was knowledgeable about the Scottish alpine flora, including bryophytes, and was an authority on ferns. He also maintained a lifelong interest in the Church of St. Brycedale at Kirkcaldy, of which he was Session Clerk for over thirty years.

Young married Margaret .... (born at Cupar, Kinross in 1870/1) in 1894/5. They had three children, of whom two daughters were alive in 1911: Effie (born 1895/6, and Marion born 1904/5), one of whom became a missionary in India.

Young joined the MEC at its inception in 1896 and remained a member until >1926. He discovered *Odontoschisma macounii* on Ben Heasgarnich, Perthshire (with Ewing, q.v.), and contributed .... to the exchange.

His herbarium is in the Department of Botany at St. Andrews University, with further material at Edinburgh, Liverpool Museum and Manchester Museum.



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In addition, I have referred to numerous on-line resources - particularly the decennial Census Returns, and indices of births, marriages and deaths – as well as the National Index of Wills and Administrations.

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