## The Skinner Family Tree

and their connection with Skinner's lock house in Cotgrave

My paternal ancestors (associated with Cotgrave) - Shirley (Heighton) Mare

**EDWARD CARRINGTON** - died 1619 in Cotgrave and buried 15<sup>th</sup> May 1619– had a daughter Alice who married John Clarke, son of William and Elizabeth Clarke.

<u>WILLIAM CLARK</u> - in Cotgrave, Nottinghamshire married 19/4/1598 in Cotgrave to Elizabeth Dawne and their son John Clarke married Alice daughter of Edward Carrington.

**JOHN CLARKE,** son of William and Elizabeth (Dawne) Clarke - born c.1602, christened 11/1/1603 in Cotgrave, Notts. Married on 12/7/1636 in Cotgrave to Alice Carrington (daughter of Edward Carrington) - born c. 1607, christened -/11/1607 in Cotgrave. Their daughter Isabel married John Holmes son of Nicholas Holmes.

<u>NICHOLAS HOLMES?</u> - born early 1600s and had a son John Holmes. (Inconclusive evidence at present)

**JOHN HOLMES?** - Son of Nicholas Holmes - born c.1635, christened 4/11/1635 in Cotgrave, Notts - died 1689 aged 54, buried 14/12/1689 in Hickling, Notts. Married in Cotgrave 31/1/1666 to Isabel Clarke - born c.1638 and christened 25/2/1638. Their son Nicholas married Ann. (inconclusive evidence at present)

**HANNAH KEMP** daughter of George and Elizabeth (Leak) Kemp – born 1773 christened 18/11/1773 in Cotgrave – died 1824 aged 51 married 23/1/1804 to Richard Burbage and was buried 4/2/1824 in Cotgrave.

**RICHARD BURBAGE**, an agricultural labourer – born 1777 in Nottinghamshire – died 1850 aged 73 and was buried 1/4/1850 in Cotgrave, married in Cotgrave 23/1/1804 to Hannah Kemp – born 1773 – died 1824. Their daughter Ann Burbage married John Skinner.

**1841** – Richard - a widower living in Lock Cottage with his daughter Ann and her husband John Skinner, their daughter Mary and Ann Skinner aged 60

WILLIAM SKINNER a labourer - born c.1757 died 1822 aged 65 and buried 3/9/1822 in Cotgrave, married 26/12/1790 in Cotgrave, Notts, to Ann Lewin, daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Newton) Lewin - born c. 1764 and christened 13/6/1764 in Gotham Notts – died 1848 aged 84 and buried 10/3/1848 in Cotgrave. Ann was, in 1841, living in Lock House at Grantham Canal, Cotgrave. Their son John Skinner married Ann Burbage.

(10) WILLIAM HEIGHTON son of William and Mary (Williamson) Heighton, born 17<sup>th</sup> December 1854 in Woburn, died 1902, married 7/4/1890 at Cotgrave to Elizabeth Hickling, cotton preparer and they had four children. William was a millwright and was fatally injured at work. He was also listed in the 1900 edition of Kelly's Directory as being a shopkeeper (perhaps his wife ran this business for him? Or it was another William). In May 1965 Charles George Heighton visited a Mrs Hickling who lived at Cotgrave presumably a relative of Elizabeth. William's address was 3, Summers Terrace, Nottingham.

- **1891** William, an iron planer, and Elizabeth, a hosiery maker, living in Cotgrave next to Elizabeth's father George, a widow and Elizabeth's sister, Mary.
- 1901 William, a hosiery machinist, and Elizabeth, hosiery worker, living in Scrimshaw Lane, Cotgrave with Mary, George, Alfred and Elizabeth.

1911 -Elizabeth, sons George William, assistant teacher and Alfred, a gardener, daughters Mary, a hosiery maker and Elizabeth living in Scrimshaw Lane, Cotgrave, Notts.

Children of William and Elizabeth Hickling:-

Mary Heightonb. 1891in Cotgravem. Edward ExtonGeorge William Heightonb. 1893in Cotgravem. Gwen J. Orrell +Alfred Heightonb. 07/03/1895in Cotgravem. Ella CussElizabeth Heightonb. 1897in Cotgravem. Frederick Simpson

<u>JOHN SKINNER</u> (My great-great grandfather) son of William and Ann (Lewin) Skinner, a lock keeper - born 1797 and christened 19/12/1797 in Cotgrave - died 10<sup>th</sup> March 1871 aged 74 and was buried 14/3/1871 in Cotgrave, married 14/5/1838 in Cotgrave to Ann Burbage a school mistress - born 1805 christened 8/2/1805 in Cotgrave - died 17<sup>th</sup> March 1890 aged 85 (senile decay) and was buried 20/3/1890 in Cotgrave.

<u>ANN BURBAGE</u> (My great-great grandmother) daughter of Hannah (Kemp) and Richard Burbage – A schoolmistress -born 1805 christened 8/2/1805 in Cotgrave married 14/5/1838 to John Skinner – died 17<sup>th</sup> March 1890.

- **1841** John, an agricultural labourer, and Ann living in Lock Cottage, Canal, Cotgrave with daughter Mary, an Ann Skinner (aged 60) and Richard Burbage, Ann's father.
- **1851** John, lockkeeper, and Ann living in Canal Lock House, Cotgrave with children Mary, John, William and Ann.
- **1861** John and Ann living in Canal House with children William, a gentleman's servant and Ann.
- **1871** Ann, widowed, living in Shepherds Cottage, Cotgrave with children John, an agricultural labourer, William, lockkeeper and Annie, a dressmaker.
- (2) JOHN SKINNER, son of John and Ann (Burbage) Skinner b 1842. 1911 John, a farm labourer, unmarried, living in Cotgrave on his own.
- **(2)** <u>WILLIAM SKINNER</u> (My great grandfather) son of John and Ann (Burbage) Skinner, was firstly a gentleman's servant and then a lock keeper on the Cotgrave lock on Grantham canal born 8<sup>th</sup> December in Cotgrave 1843 died 1889 aged 45, married 21/1/1873 in Keyworth, Notts, to Mary Tyler born 15th August 1849 in Keyworth died 1889.

MARY TYLER daughter of James and Jane (Pike) Tyler - born 15<sup>th</sup> August 1849 in Keyworth, christened 11/9/1859 aged 10. Mary was married on 21/1/1873 in Keyworth, to William Skinner – born 8th December 1843 in Cotgrave – died 1889. Mary was a dressmaker and plain sewer – in 1901 Mary, now widowed, was a charwoman at Shepherd House, Cotgrave.

Mary (Tyler) Skinner

- **1881** -William, lockkeeper, and Mary living in Shepherds Cottage,
  - Cotgrave with children John (Jack), Oscar, Annie and Mary's sister Amy Tyler.
- **1891** Mary. a plain sewer, now widowed, living in Cotgrave with children John (Jack), Oscar, Annie and Amy.
- 1901 Mary, a charwoman, living in Shepherds Cottage, Cotgrave.
- 1911 Mary, a pie and sausage maker, living on her own in Old Lane, Keyworth, Notts. (My great grandmother)

ANNIE MARY SKINNER (My grandmother) daughter of William and Mary (Tyler) Skinner – b. 30<sup>th</sup> July 1879 in Shepherds Cottage, Cotgrave, died 5<sup>th</sup> March 1963 a lace finisher and in 1901 was a domestic housemaid in the home of Albert (a butcher) and Penelope Armitage at 23, Magdala Rd, Nottingham where her sister Amy was cook. Annie lived in Shepherds Cottage until 1891 and married 25/9/1902 to Charles George Heighton – born 22nd June 1879 – died 11th June 1970 (brother of Polly Heighton) and they moved from the Nottingham area to London where their first child Ewart Charles (My father) was born in 1903. Six months later they left London and moved to S. Wales first to Swansea where



Wedding of Annie Mary Skinner to Charles George Heighton

further children, Greg and Barbara, were born and then to Brynderwen Rd, Newport followed by 70 Victoria Avenue Newport. In 1937 Annie and Charlie moved to 'Bracadale' Langstone, near Newport where they lived until their deaths.

OSCAR WILLIAM SKINNER (My great uncle) son of William and Mary (Tyler) Skinner -born 27<sup>th</sup> March 1876 in Cotgrave, Notts and lived, when he was a boy, in Shepherds Cottage in 1877, 1881 and 1891. At the age of 14 Oscar was a farm boy and at 19 had joined the Midland Railway, Nottingham to become a Fireman and Engine driver and later Shed Foreman. He was Chairman of ASLEF Assembly at Albion Hall, Leeds in 1920. Oscar and Polly lived at various addresses and eventually settled in Myrtle House, Whatstandwell, Nr. Matlock, Derbyshire where he died 30/3/1958 aged 82. Oscar married 16/6/1904 in Shakespeare Street Chapel, Nottingham, by certificate to Mary Elizabeth (Polly) Heighton – born 8th June 1878 – died October 1960.

MARY ELIZABETH HEIGHTON (POLLY), (My great-aunt) daughter of George James and Betsy (Barnett) Heighton, born 8th June 1878 in 3 Summers Terrace, Nottingham- died 5<sup>th</sup> October 1960, married Oscar Skinner on 16/6/1904. In 1901 Polly was a dressmaker working at home with her parents at 3 Southey Street, Nottingham (Street still exists but all old houses demolished). They had two sons, George and Hedley Heighton (who lived in Coventry) and a daughter Eva who married Herbert Everson and lived in the Nottingham/Derby area. Polly and Oscar lived in Myrtle House, Whatstandwell, Nr Matlock, Derbyshire.

The pictures below were kindly supplied from other relatives of mine



Sketch of Skinners Lock Cottage on Grantham Canal

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