

THE KIPLING FAMILY HISTORY NEWSLETTER #9

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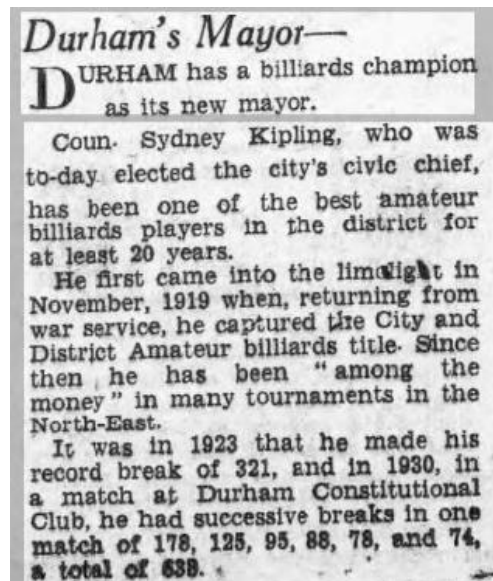
Updates to the website, Army, navy and air force news and Kipling in India. Read on!

Website Update

Full backgrounds to the Brough, Stackholm and Bolam family groups in the 1911 census have been added.

The **Bolam** Kiplings in particular proved quite tricky, as two or three separate families were living there around 1800 and kept moving around the nearby parishes. Also, a Robert Kipling married a widow, Anne Orton, whose maiden name had been Kipling. Fortunately, this turns out not to have been a case of incest, but of two distant branches of the family coming together. It is likely that one of the families is a branch of the **Staindrop** Kiplings. One member later move to Kentucky.

One member of the group was later wartime mayor of Durham – right on cue!



Sunderland Daily Echo and Shipping Gazette - Thursday 09 November 1939

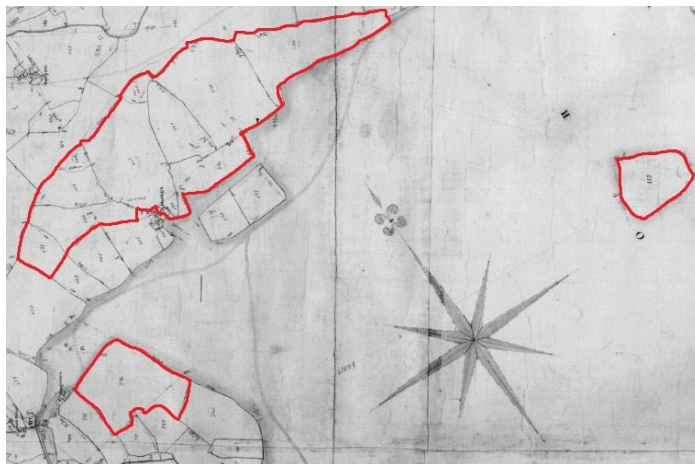
One line of the **Brough** Kiplings had four sons who emigrated to Illinois in the 1850s, having been miners who did not scruple to supplement the pot with a little poached game. Others later migrated to Pennsylvania and, less imaginatively, to Manchester.

Earlier, their father had been named as the father of an illegitimate child

WHEREAS *Barbara Fothergill of Matby*
in the county of Westmorland single
woman, hath, in and by her voluntary examination, taken in writing
and upon oath, before *Lancelot Bellas Clerk*
one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said County
of ~~Cumberland~~ *Westmorland*, declared that she is with child, and that the said *Child*
or child ^{is, or are} is likely to be born a bastard, and to be chargeable to the said
parish, *Township of Matby* and that the
above bounden *John Kipling*
is father of the said child *or Children*

The Kiplings of **Stackholm** Farm in Lunedale (this Lune being a tributary of the Tees) had earlier farmed in the high Pennines just over the border in Westmorland. 1841 tithe records show the extent of the farm, including a strange isolated field on the peak of a hill.

The outline of some of the fields can still be seen on modern maps.



Stackholm itself was a long way from civilisation, as the records of the local school from 1900 show.

Annie Kipling came in just as I had
close that Register. As she was really
entitled to a mark, I altered accordingly.
She has 3 miles to walk to school.

14 Received Certificate that John
Jno Kipling is suffering from
Bronchial Asthma.

Kiplings in India

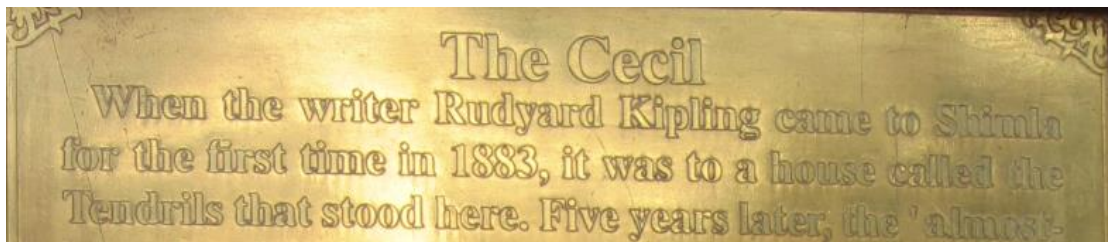
At the end of April, a conference was held at the old Viceregal Lodge in Shimla (formerly Simla) with the title “Kipling in India: India in Kipling”. It was organised jointly by The Kipling Society in the UK and the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, which are based at the Lodge. As treasurer of the Kipling Society, I was able to attend as an observer. Topics discussed ranged from Rudyard Kipling’s early journalistic career in Lahore and Allahabad, to a very popular Jungle Book ‘anime’ cartoon produced in Japan but dubbed into Hindi.



Entrance to the Lodge grounds, with poster



Delegates in front of the Lodge



Plaque outside the Cecil Hotel, Shimla.



Temple to Hanuman on Jakhoo Hill



View from Hotel Cecil

A Kipling at Jutland

On 31 May 1916, the British and German fleets met in the inconclusive Battle of Jutland. Serving as a stoker aboard HMS Derby was Eric Robert Kipling from the Arkengarthdale family group.

K 30656		<i>Devonport</i>		K 30656								
Name in full Eric Robert Kipling		Date of Birth <i>14th January 1895</i>		Place of Birth <i>St. Columb Devon</i>								
		Age <i>21</i>		Occupation <i>Railway Porter</i>								
Date and Period of Engagements <i>2nd February 1916 - Hostilities etc.</i>		Age	Height Ft. In.		Chest In.	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Wounds, Scars, or Marks			
			<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>36</i>	<i>St. Brn Grey</i>		<i>Fresh</i>				
Ship, &c., served in.	List.	No.	Rating.	Period of Service From To		If discharged, whither and for what cause.		Sub-ratings Rating. From To		Character & Ability C. Date A.		Remarks
<i>Vivid II</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>21857</i>	<i>Sto. I</i>	<i>23rd Dec 15 to 1st Feb 16</i>		<i>23rd Dec 16</i>				<i>by 31.12.16 (21857) and 31.12.17 (21857)</i>		
<i>Dublin</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>87</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>14 Dec 16 to 15 Mar 17</i>		<i>15 Mar 17</i>				<i>by 31.12.17 (21857) and 31.12.18 (21857)</i>		
										<i>by 31.12.18 (21857) and 31.12.19 (21857)</i>		

Dublin was a light cruiser with Vice-Admiral David Beatty's cruiser squadron, sinking a destroyer but also receiving considerable damage from incoming fire, although luckily with few casualties. Eric was not one of them and he survived his Navy service, later marrying and having three daughters. He died in 1972.

The first day of the Somme

Private George Kipling, aged 20, of the 9th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry (KOYLI) was killed on 1 July 1916, the first day of the Battle of the Somme.

"Prior to Zero Hour (0730) the men from the KOYLI battalions crawled out into no man's land in readiness for their assault. In front of them the German wire had been well cut by the week long artillery bombardment and both battalions made swift progress through the German's front line trenches.

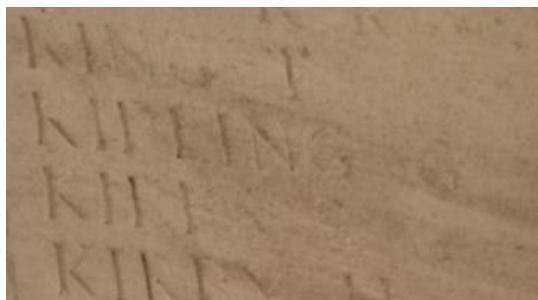
Within 30 minutes they had secured an area around the north of Fricourt village as far as the road to Contalmaison. Here they were held by machine gun fire coming from their front and flanks, and dug in.

To their left the 34th Division's attempt at taking La Boisselle had been repulsed with enormous loss to its Tyneside Brigades. As the 34th Division attempted to remedy the

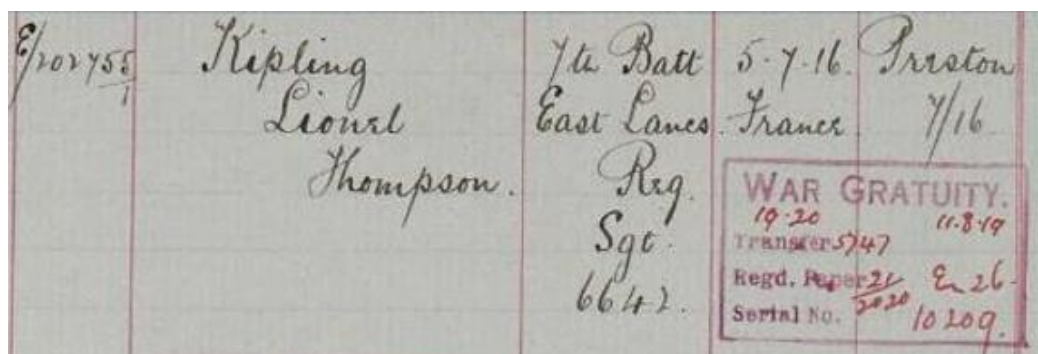
situation the KOYLI found themselves in the unenviable situation of maintaining a position surrounded on three sides”

George was the son of William and Lily Kipling of Carr Lane, Sheffield, from the **Notts** family group.

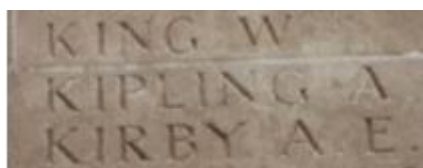
His name is carved in the great Thiepval memorial.



Four days later, Sgt Lionel Kipling of the East Lancashire regiment (**Staindrop**) was killed near La Boisselle on the Albert-Bapaume road. He is buried at Tincourt cemetery.



And in August, Arthur Kipling (also **Notts**) of the Machine Gun Corps was killed at Delville Wood. His name is also on the Thiepval memorial



See <http://genealogy.kipling.me.uk/WW1%20Kiplings%201916.pdf>

RAF Kiplings

Juliette Kipling has kindly provided a copy of her grandfather's service record in the RAF. It can be seen that he was a boy entrant in 1936 (at age 16), served through the war in the ranks and successfully applied for a permanent commission in 1946, retiring as a Flight Lieutenant in 1961 after over 25 years' service.

AIR MINISTRY <small>(R.A.F. OFFICERS APPOINTMENTS AND RECORD OFFICE)</small>	R.A.F. OFFICERS RECORD OF SERVICE CONFIDENTIAL	<small>A.M. FORM 1406</small>
SURNAME KIPLING		PERSONAL NUMBER 57943
DATE OF BIRTH 17th APRIL 1920 <small>(PER PROBATION ATTESTATION)</small>		PLACE WEST KENSINGTON LONDON W.11.
CHRISTIAN NAME(S) ROBERT EDWARD		RELIGION C. of E.

(1) SERVICE IN H.M. FORCES PRIOR TO COMMISSIONING IN R.A.F.			(2) DATE AND TYPE OF COMMISSION & SUBSTANTIVE PROMOTIONS		
RANK	DATE	AUTHORITY	RANK	DATE	LONDON GAZETTE
551140 Boy Entrant u/t Arm	22/ 9/36	A 702757/44	Emerg Comm Actg Plt Off	11/ 4/46	28/ 5/46
RAF for 9 Yrs from age 18		F 543	Tech Bch RAF		A 1002/46
Remust Arm (2)	1/10/37	F 280	Plt Off	1/ 7/46	9/ 8/46
ACI	17/ 4/ 38	F 1580	Fg Off (W)	1/ 1/47	21/ 1/ 47
LAC	1/ 2/40		Relinq Comm & retains rank	16/ 8/51	13/11/51
Remust u/t Fitt Arm	29/ 3/40		of Fg Off		
Remust Fitt Arm 'B' (Gp I)	25/10/40		Comm Fg Off Tech (Arm) Bch	16/ 8/51	13/11/51
Temp Cpl	1/ 6/41		RAFO for 5 Yrs		
Remust u/t Fitt Arm	15/ 4/42		Service extended for 5 yrs	16/ 8/56	21/ 8/56
ACI remust Fitt Arm	19/ 8/42		Flt Lt	22/ 7/57	19/11/57
LAC	1/ 1/43		Relinq Comm	16/ 8/61	19/12/61
Temp Cpl	1/ 1/43		Retains rank		
Temp Sgt	1/ 1/44				
Bisch on appt to comm	22/ 4/45				

For a picture of Robert and the service details of his three brothers, all of whom lost their lives, see <http://genealogy.kipling.me.uk/Air%20Force%20Kiplings.pdf>

She also mentioned that his widow had died recently and sent a copy of the service sheet.



Mike Kipling