

The Hales Newsletter

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This is a reprint. The original was scanned and the text corrected for spellings, something that was very difficult in the original mimeograph process. There is also some minor editing. The Hales Manuscript pages being developed during the publication of the Old Series of The Hales Newsletter have been deleted because the content is now found in The Hales Chronicles, now in its second edition with the third edition planned for 2005.

The Hales Chronicles can be found on the Hales web-page at www.hales.org and at The Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at Salt Lake City, Utah; The Library of Congress at Washington, D.C.; The Library of The Society of Genealogists at London, England; and the Centre for Kentish Studies at Maidstone, Kent, England.

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EDITORIAL

This Newsletter was never published. The masters were prepared in during 1981. At that time I was very busy in my occupation, and following our move to Tucson was very sluggish in getting the Hales Genealogical Society rolling again. Since 1970, when the Newsletter was first published, Newsletters were sent to everyone on my mailing list – whether I received responses from them or not. The masters for this Newsletter were printed in a limited edition.

Now, seven years later, I have retired from International Business Machines Corporation at the relatively young age of 56. I am not seeking employment and intend to spend my remaining years doing those things that I enjoy most. One of these things is further efforts on behalf of the great Hales family.

This will be the last Hales Newsletter in this series which I have designated the Old Series. Soon, the New Series of the Hales Newsletter will commence – provided there is enough interest.

News and Views

This section of our Hales Newsletter contains the “happenings” that I am made aware of between issues. If you know of something that you feel should be in this section which is not here, it is probably because no one has sent me the information. Send me a copy of any newsworthy item concerning our relatives that you discover.

Remember that the success of this part of our HALES Newsletter will happen only if all of us take part in reporting the news.

Golden Wedding Congratulations to Melvin Donald and Nondas Bushnell Hales of LaPuente, California. They report that they “celebrated our 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary last June 25, 1980 and are still going strong.”

Ronald Burns Hales son of Melvin Donald

and Nondas Hales, traveled from one end of the country to the other in his quest for a new occupation. He and his family left Southern California for Spartanburg, South Carolina so that he could attend school to become a chiropractor. While there, he and his wife, Marion added Christy Caroline Hales to their family on October 3, 1975. Following school, they moved to Kaneohe, Hawaii where they set up practice and established their new home. Leilani Carole Hales was born at Kaneohe on April 20, 1979 to this family. Congratulations.

Elizabeth Belle Hales becomes bride of Stephen Hyde Swift. In a ceremony in the Salt Lake City Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Elizabeth Belle HALES was sealed to Stephen Hyde SWIFT for time and for all eternity according to the marriage ordinance performed in the church in their temples. Following the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was given at the Hotel Utah in honor of the bridal couple. That evening the newlyweds were further honored at a wedding reception and dance. Parents of the bride are Mrs. Dilworth D. Jensen and the late Richard Wayne HALES. Parents of the bridegroom are Mrs. Caroline Swift of the Virgin Islands and Stephen Hathaway Swift of South Dartmouth, Massachusetts. The bride graduated in zoological science from Brigham Young University where she affiliated with Blue Key National Fraternity and the ASBYU Culture Office. The bridegroom studied at the Institute Le Rosey at Roile in Switzerland. He was graduated from BYU with majors in both history and English and plans to enter law school next fall. Mr. Swift has fulfilled a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at the Paris France Mission. Congratulations from the HALES family. (Sorry, no date on the clipping received).

Suzanna Marie Hales. Larry and Dora Hales of Chevy Chase, Maryland announce the arrival of Suzanna Marie HALES on March 18, 1981. Now Abigail, Lorraine, who was born March 21, 1980, is a big sister. Congratulations.

Last issue of the Old Series Hales Newsletter To keep the records straight, Volume 7 of the HALES Newsletter was a long time in publication. It began with the first issue in July of 1978. Number 2 was issued in May of 1980. Number 3 was issued in March of 1981. This is Number 4. I do keep good records of donations so any of you that have sent me funds during that period of little activity do not need to send any more. Since this is the last issue of the old series of the Hales Newsletter, I am not accepting any new subscribers. If you feel that I do not have your donation record correct, please let me know. It is a big job to put all of this together and I feel it is important to preserve the information. I plan to take a well needed rest after going so strong for the previous seven years before I update our publication methodology and begin the new series of the Hales Newsletter.



Dennis Grant marries Denise Elaine Racette. Dr. Dennis Grant, the second son of Angus and Doris Hales Grant married Denise

Elaine Racette, the second daughter of Dr. Paul and Dr. Lois Skorupski Racette on June 22, 1979 at Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada. All of these families are from Medicine Hat.

The picture on the left was taken on the steps of the Medicine Hat Court House on June 22nd, 1979 by the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Barbara Skorupski of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Dennis graduated from the medical school of the University of Alberta, Edmonton, with First Class Honors in May of 1978. He spent his first year of Interning at the Misericordia Hospital, Edmonton. He is now specializing In Pathology and Laboratory Medicine in the Vancouver General Hospital, Vancouver, B.C.

Denise obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree In Political Science at Edmonton, Alberta. She received a grant for a graduate course in Vancouver. She is an accomplished musician having studied violin and piano.

Congratulations to Angus and Doris Hales Grant and to the new Grant family on their accomplishment.



Harry Hales and son, threshing on their farm south of Rapid City in the early 1900's. The picture was taken from the *Manitoba Co-operator* dated June 19, 1975.

In Memoriam

Warren Hailes

From the Medicine Hat News, Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada of Monday, February 26, 1979. Warren Hailes, 27, of Cold Lake, Alberta, was killed when his car went out of control near Cold Lake, about 250 kilometres

northeast of Edmonton.

Mildred Hales. Miss Mildred Hales of the Fairhaven Nursing Home, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada died on January 14, 1978 at Peterborough. She was born on January 15, 1891 at Apsley, Ontario, Canada.

The funeral service was conducted by the Reverend Robert Hales, nephew of the deceased. Interment was In Park Cemetery, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada.

Stella Hales Tucker. Stella Hales Tucker passed away February 21, 1978 at Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. She was buried In the Apsley, Union Cemetery, Apsley, Ontario, Canada.

Frank McFadden. The death occurred in August, 1979 In Apsley, Ontario, of Frank McFadden, beloved husband of Elizabeth Hales McFadden.

Ruby Hales. Ruby Robbins Pleasants Hales, age 81, died March 17, 1981. She was born March 12, 1900 at Huntington, Utah to Annette and Orson Robbins. She married first Fred H. Pleasants in 1916. They were later divorced. She married second Charles Edgar Hales on December 13, 1934. This marriage was later solemnized on June 21, 1955 at the Manti Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She is survived by a son, Harry O. Pleasants of Salt Lake City, Utah; and sisters; Mary Collard of Huntington; Maude Gunderson and Dolly Barron, both of Price; and Clara Robey of Provo. She also leaves seven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. A daughter, Genevieve P. Laramie, preceded her in death. She was buried at the Huntington, Utah Cemetery on Friday, March 20, 1981.

Maud Coones Hales. Maud Coones Hales, age 89, the widow of Walter Cairns Hales died December 1, 1974. They were married about 1907 and he predeceased her on July 12, 1965. No locations were provided with this death notice.

HALES CHAPEL RESTORATION

Recently a letter was forwarded to me from my old address in California – an address that we moved from in 1974. How the post office was able to forward it after all those years is a mystery. However, I did get it and it was a surprise. The letter follows:

1 Whitehall Gardens,
Canterbury,
Kent,
England

22nd June 1981

The Secretary,
The Hales Genealogical Society,
1951 Chateau Court,
Walnut Creek,
California 94598,
U.S.A.

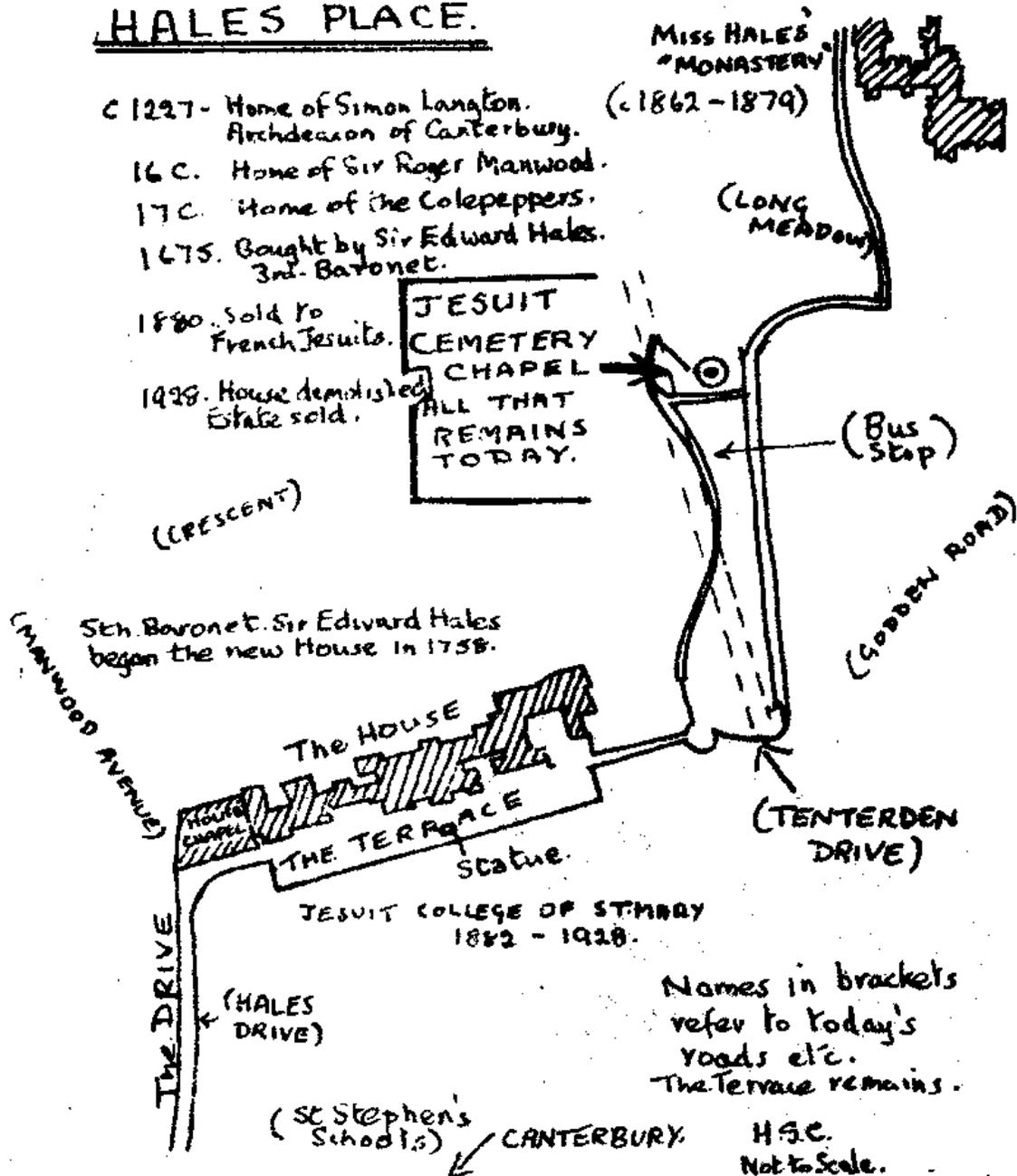
Dear Sir/Madam,
I am writing because I hope that your members will be interested to hear about the restoration of the little chapel at Hales Place, Canterbury. I enclose an article which I wrote for my parish's magazine last year, which explains how my parish has become involved with Hales Place. I also enclose an article which a former curate wrote for a local periodical some years ago, which gives a good brief outline of the story of the branch of the Hales family which lived at Hales Place, Canterbury.

If any of your members would like further information I will be pleased to try to assist them.

Yours faithfully,
/s/ David Stanley Cousins
David Stanley Cousins
Secretary,
Hales Place Chapel Committee,
St. Thomas Roman Catholic Church,
Parish Council, Canterbury, Kent,

An enclosure of an article of some length describing Sir Edward Hales of whom much has been already described in earlier Hales

HALES PLACE.



Newsletters. Also see Volume 1, Number 3, of the Hales Newsletter dated September 1970 for a picture of Hales Place, Canterbury.

When King James II came to the throne, Edward Hales had not long succeeded his father as 3rd Baronet. Some ten years before he had bought a house near St. Stephen's church which had been built for Sir Roger

Manwood, an Elizabethan Judge who presided at the trial of St. Cuthbert Mayne. In medieval times the area had been associated with the Archdeacons of Canterbury, following Simon Langton.

Sir Edward had inherited the site of St. Augustine's Abbey from his mother's family, the Woottons, and may have inherited the

Catholic faith also. He became a Catholic and was a friend of the Catholic King. He is mentioned in history books because of the test case of *Godden vs Hales*, which resulted from his position of Colonel of "Sir Edward Hales Regiment" (afterwards the "West Yorkshires").

In 1688 he tried to help James to leave the country, but they were foiled by men from Faversham. Sir Edward was imprisoned before joining his king in exile. James rewarded him with the title of Earl of Tenterden, which was not recognized by the Hanoverians. He died in France in 1695 and was succeeded by his second son, John. (His eldest son had been killed at the Boyne).

John is remembered by a plaque on the corner of Longport which marks his gift to the city of an improved water supply. He withdrew his sons from Douay, and lapsed from the faith, although his children did not. He allowed his eldest son to die in a debtor's prison and died as a recluse in 1744.

His grandson, became Sir Edward Hales, 5th Baronet. He began to build a new mansion which was still unfinished when he died in 1802, and he demolished the old house. Close to the new mansion he built a large chapel which acted as the local Catholic Church until about 1856.

His son, Sir Edward Hales, 6th Baronet, could not afford to finish the mansion as planned and demolished parts of the unfinished building. He died in 1829 and the baronetcy became extinct. The heir to the Hales estates was Edward de Morlincourt, the son of his sister, Mary. This Edward de Morlincourt took the name Hales, but died in 1837. The heiress to the estates was his daughter, Mary Barbara Felicity Hales, who was born in France of a French mother in 1835. In 1858 she entered a French Carmelite convent and in 1859 became Sister Mary Clare.

The Church authorities allowed her to continue to administer her estates. Perhaps she had already thought about establishing a convent at Hales Place. She transferred to the English Carmelites – who were still in France at that time – and in 1863 work began on a

convent at Hales Place.

The convent was never completed. It seems that the trustees of the estate objected, and Sister Mary's superior found her difficult to work with. The Carmelites found themselves able to establish a convent elsewhere and Sister Mary was asked to return to France, to her convent, in September 1864. Sister Mary, however, had decided to seek release from her order and in 1865 she succeeded – as a result of a journey to Rome. (Miss Hales was assisted by Monsignor George Talbot who obtained 2 audiences for her). Although no longer a nun she still wanted to establish a religious order at Hales Place and had already considered making it available to the Benedictines of Ramsgate. On her return from Rome, some Benedictine nuns came to Hales Place and resided in the mansion for a few years.

They left, however, and Miss Hales again must have thought about the usefulness of Hales Place to the monks of Ramsgate. In 1876 it seemed that "St. Benedict's Priory" would be the novitiate for a Benedictine monastery at Tenterden. The deed of gift to the Benedictines was dated 15th March 1879, but by that time Miss Hales can have had little to give.

Hales Place was sold by Miss Hales' mortgagees. The contents of the mansion were auctioned in August 1880. Miss Hales spent the last years of her life in poverty at Sarre Court and died there in 1885. The estate was bought by Jesuits exiled from France because of the policy of the 3rd Republic.

The Jesuits opened "St. Mary's College" as a boys' boarding school on 22nd November 1880. (When Catherine Williamson made an official visit to Paris as Mayor of Canterbury in July 1939 she met several former pupils – see "*Though The Streets Burn*," page 82). The school requirements meant that the mansion and chapel had to be enlarged and a new wing was built. The school closed in June 1890 and the premises were used by the Jesuits as a juvenate and novitiate. However, in 1897 the novitiate left for France, followed by the juvenate in 1898. For a few years Hales Place became a convent again, with the French

Sisters of Notre Dame, but In 1901 Jesuits of the Lyons province arrived.

Hales Place was a theological seminary until 1906 when It became a juvenate and novitiate again. In 1914, however, it was to Hales Place that Teilhard de Chardin came to begin his 'Third Year'. The war shortened his stay. During the war Hales Place served in part as a military hospital, whilst many of its former students served France.

After the war the Jesuits were able to return home and from 1923 they sought to find a purchaser for Hales Place who would make use of the buildings. They were unsuccessful. In 1927 the estate was sold to Mr. R. A. Dagnall (of London Mortar Mills). In January and February 1928 the contents of the buildings were sold. The High Altar from the chapel went to the Catholic church in Dulwich, and the 'Pieta' is now in our church.

In February 1928 the bodies buried in the family vault were re-interred in the Jesuit cemetery, and Fr. Sheppard (Parish Priest of St. Thomas) undertook to celebrate a Mass annually in the Cemetery Chapel shown below. Demolition of the buildings began in April 1928. (Much material from Hales Place

went to new buildings at Chestfield village).

The Jesuits had made arrangements for the upkeep of the chapel with Mr. Dagnall, but these seem to have been negated by his subsequent bankruptcy. The cemetery and chapel passed into the care of the parish priest of St. Thomas' and this small part of the estate now belongs to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark.

The graves in the cemetery are mainly of French Jesuits but also include that of a schoolboy who died In 1884 and a baby of the de la Tour d'Auvergne family, as well as the members of the Hales family formerly beneath the chapel next to the mansion. The chapel itself seems to have been built about 1800 as a dove cote. It contains a marble altar with a statue of the Virgin and Child dated 1875. On the floor is a brass to Sir Edward Hales, 5th Baronet. Although he died in 1802 the brass shows him in medieval armour. It was formerly on the floor of the chapel built by the baronet, and was presumably moved in 1928. Sadly the grave of the Hales family is now marked only by bricks and rubble as the memorial stones have been removed for safe keeping.

The little chapel is now a *listed building* and it is hoped that restoration will begin soon. (It was restored externally 1980-81).

HALES PLACE CHAPEL



RESTORATION

Kent Wills and Administrations – Hales, Hale and Variants – Continued.

73. William, 1666, Dover, CC Court, mentions wife, Elizabeth, Sons: Peter, Luke, William and David.

74. Thomas, 1667, Beakesbourne, CA Court, mentions sons: Thomas, Samuel, Stephen, Sir Robert; daughter: Mary (Plumpton); grandson, Thomas, son of Sir Robert Hales.

75. Edward, 1668, RC Court, no information.

76. Richard, 1672, Chatham, RC Court, now missing.

77. William, 1673, Chatham, RC Court, now missing.
78. John, 1675, Dover, CC Court, mentions wife, Angel Hales. Bondsman: George Hales of Dover, Baker.
79. William, 1677, Dover, CC Court, mentions wife, Alice. Bondsman: William Hales of Dover, Currier.
80. Henry, 1679, Canterbury, St. Alphege, CC Court, mentions wife, Mary.
81. William, 1679, Faversham, CA Court, mentions wife, Mary.
82. John, 1680, Deptford, RC Court, mentions wife, Christiana.
83. Mathew, 1681, Boxley, CA Court, mentions son, John, daughters: Elizabeth (Bassock), Mary (Savory).
84. Phillip, 1681, Seaman, RC Court, now missing.
85. George, 1686, Dover, CC Court, mentions wife, Roberta, sons: George, James and John, Daughters: Roberta (Funnell), Mary (Bayler).
86. Mary, 1687, Canterbury Palace Precinct, CC Court, mentions son: John, daughter: Elizabeth (Douglas).
87. William, 1689, Deptford, RC Court, to be done.
88. Peter; 1690, Dover, CC Court, bachelor, brother: John.
89. John, 1690, Chatham, RC Court, Creditor: Frances Paul.
90. Edward, 1691, Canterbury Jesus Hospital, CC Court, mentions William Hales of Graveney, guardian of John Portington, son of deceased daughter ... (Portington).
91. Mary, 1692, Beakesbourne, CA Court, father: Robert Hales, Barrister.
92. Samuel, 1694, Chatham, RC Court, mentions wife, Elizabeth.
93. Edward, 1697, Boughton Malherbe, CA Court, mentions wife, Elizabeth, sons/daughters: Elizabeth, Glanville and Gore.
94. Alice, 1698, Dover, CC Court, widow, mentions sons: William, James, Nicholas and John, daughters: Elizabeth, Sarah (Wearsall).
95. James, 1703, Rochester St. Nicholas, RC Court, mentions wife, Jane; sons: Anthony, John and James.
96. Thomas, 1703, Rochester St. Nicholas, RC Court, mentions wife, Mary.
97. Sarah, 1703, Rochester St. Nicholas, RC Court, mentions brothers: John James and Anthony.
98. John, 1704, Rochester, RC Court, mentions son: Thomas, daughters: Susan, Elizabeth (Pollard).
99. John, 1704, Chatham, RC Court, bachelor. Chief creditor, Mary Trapton.
100. Thomas, 1705, Rochester, RC Court, mentions wife, Mary (now deceased), daughter: Jane (Strutton).
101. John, 1705, Maidstone, CC Court, mentions wife, Anne, Sister deceased: Elizabeth Bassock (nee Hales).
102. Thomas, 1706, Bromley, RC Court, now missing.
103. Eleanour, 1707. Greenwich, RC Court, now missing.
104. William. 1707, Dover, CC Court, mentions wife, Jane, son: William.

105. William. 1708, New Romney, CC Court, mentions wife, Mary. Bondsman: Richard Hales of Romney, Yeoman.

106. John, 1709, Ospringe, mentions wife, Elizabeth.

107. Joseph, 1710, Stoke, RC Court, mentions wife: Alice, daughters: Mary, Susan and Sarah.

108. William, 1710/11, Chatham, RC Court, mentions wife: Mary.

109. Richard, 1711, New Romney, CC Court, mentions wife: Elizabeth.

110. Jane, 1715, Rochester, RC Court, widow, no children mentioned. Sister: Sarah Nelson of Cosham, widow.

111. John, 1715, Deptford, RC Court, to be done.

112. George, 1718, Hoo, RC Court, now missing.

113. James, 1728, Chatham, RC Court. mentions wife: Catherine, son: James, daughter: Elizabeth (Blomfield).

114. Anne. 1729, Maidstone, CC Court, mentions brother: Josiah Fuller, niece: Anne Fuller, kinsmen (?Brothers): George Fuller, Francis Fuller and wife Mary.

115. Elizabeth, 1730, Chatham. RC Court, Widow. Sons: Samuel, William, Edward, daughters: Ann, Mary.

116. John, 1730, Rochester, RA Court, mentions wife: Jane, son: John Parker Hales, daughters: Ann, Elizabeth , Sarah, Mary.

117. Sarah, 1732, Stoke. RA Court, to be done.

118. John, 1743, Deal. CC Court, mentions wife: Sarah.

119. Wright, 1746, Mariner, Rochester, RC Court, mentions brother: John Hales of Rochester.

120. Ann, 1746, Rochester St. Nicholas, RC Court, Spinster, mentions brother: James.

121. Ann, 1749, Canterbury St. George, CC Court, widow, mentions son: Sir Edward Hales, granddaughters, Ann, Flavia, Domittilla, burlled at Tunstall next to Mr. Hales, late husband.

122. John, 1752, Ulcombe, mentions wife, Mary.

123. Jacob, 1758, Bethersden, executor, Edward Adams.

124. Henry, 1762, Yalding, RC Court, mentions brother: Stephen.

125. Richard, 1763, Snodland, RC Court, Creditor: Robert Spencer.

126. George, 1767, St. Lawrence in Thanet, Executors: Mary Hales and John Hales, relationship not shown.

127. Jeremiah, 1782, St. Lawrence In Thanet, Executrix: Mary Hales.

128. Jane, 1808, Ramsgate, Executrlx: Elizabeth Stock.

INFORMATION REQUEST

From Cathy Gelwix of 2232 Vimont Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109 (801) 487-6518 comes the following request. If your newsletter is available for this sort of thing could you do a favor? Some of the descendants of Charles Henry Hales and his 2nd wife, Frances Brunyer, are most anxious to put together a history of their life together. There seems to be an especially small amount of information on Grandmother Hales. Could you make a note in one of your Newsletters for anyone with histories, pictures, stories, or other memorabilia (a picture or description),

personal knowledge, etc. especially pertaining to Grandmother Frances please contact me.

Parents

I was grounded two weeks.

I think moms or dads
go to meetings and a
man says ground your
kid for this, spank him
for that, make your kid
work for doing this.

I really don't know
but I think that they do
because my morn or dad
grounds or spansks for the same
things as other moms or dads do.

– Chris Card, son of Nikki Hales Card