

Caroline Frances Bennetts GEORGE 1825 - 1904

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We know about Caroline's great grandfather Thomas GEORGE, but only through his son's birth records.

Thomas GEORGE b about 1720

Thomas GEORGE was born around 1720, but there are no on-line records for this birth. We do have a record for his marriage to Elizabeth LAWRENCE in 1742 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall. Lanhydrock is about 20km north-east of St Austell. Their eldest of three children was Thomas GEORGE, born in 1747 in St Winnow, Cornwall.

Fig 1 – Thomas sen. was married at Lanhydrock (2 on this map).

Thomas jun. was born and married at St Winnow (1 on this map).



Thomas GEORGE b1747

Thomas GEORGE (junior) was born in 1747 in St Winnow in Cornwall. He married Priscilla BENNET in 1775 in Lanhydrock. Thomas and Priscilla had five children, and the youngest was Henry GEORGE, born in 1791 in Tywardreath, still in Cornwall.

Henry GEORGE b1791

Henry GEORGE was born in 1791 in Tywardreath. He married Rachel BENNETTS in 1812 in Calstock, Cornwall. Henry and Rachel had ten children in about six different parishes in Cornwall, and the seventh child was Caroline GEORGE, born in 1825 in Luxulyan. Interestingly, only two other children were given two christian names, and Caroline was the only one with three.

Caroline Frances Bennetts GEORGE b1825

Caroline GEORGE was born in 1825 in Luxulyan, Cornwall. She grew up in this area, probably surrounded by the sounds of mining and farming. She married a miner, William RUNDLE in 1851 in Luxulyan, but probably

lived initially in Tywardreath where their first child was born the next year. This was a time when mining in Cornwall was starting to decline, so a move to the other side of the world might have seemed attractive. While I would not have wanted to entertain a two-year-old on a small ship for three months, they managed it, and arrived in Adelaide in 1854. They quickly moved to Burra where William would have worked in the mine there. As said earlier, it would have been tough for the family, and more so when three of their children died very young. Of their six children, three lived to around seventy years of age, but they did not stay in Burra.

Entranceway and portion of the old Burra cemetery. Very few grave markers are left, but three of William and Caroline's children are here somewhere.



Once William and Caroline moved to Moonta, their lives should have improved considerably. They lived in the fashionable Blanche Street, but I cannot find a street number. William died in 1871, but Caroline lived another thirty years and died in 1904, in Moonta.

There is a separate narrative for William RUNDLE. His grand-daughter Constance RUNDLE was my mother, and she married Ken SQUIRE (my (Jan's) father) in 1944.

Caroline GEORGE's web page: <https://jansquire.com/tng/getperson.php?personID=I1484&tree=squire>

William RUNDLE's narrative: <https://jansquire.com/tng/showmedia.php?mediaID=80&medialinkID=80>

Facebook Summary

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Caroline Frances Bennetts GEORGE

♀ 1825 - 1904 (79 years)

Generation: 1

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1. Caroline Frances Bennetts GEORGE was born in 1825 in Luxulyan, Cornwall, England; was christened on 18 Dec 1825 in Luxulyan, Cornwall, England (daughter of Henry GEORGE and Rachel BENNETTS); died on 30 Jul 1904 in Moonta Mines, South Australia, Australia.

Caroline married William RUNDLE on 24 Dec 1851 in Luxulyan, Cornwall, England. William (son of Joseph RUNDLE and Elizabeth ROBINS) was born in 1819 in St Blazey, Cornwall, England; was christened on 27 Jun 1819 in St Blazey, Cornwall, England; died on 26 Dec 1871 in Moonta, South Australia, Australia. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

Children:

- i. William RUNDLE was born in 1852 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England; was christened on 25 Dec 1852 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England; died on 15 Jul 1919 in High Street, Queenstown, South Australia, Australia.
- ii. Rachel RUNDLE was born on 9 Feb 1857 in Kooringa, South Australia, Australia; died on 6 Sep 1859 in Kooringa, South Australia, Australia.
- iii. Absalom RUNDLE was born on 13 Feb 1859 in Kooringa, South Australia, Australia; died on 24 Feb 1860 in Kooringa, South Australia, Australia; was buried on 26 Feb 1860 in Burra Cemetery, South Australia, Australia.
- iv. Mary Ann RUNDLE was born on 5 Jul 1861 in Burra, South Australia, Australia; died on 7 Dec 1932 in Moonta Mines, South Australia, Australia.
- v. Elizabeth Grace RUNDLE was born on 20 Sep 1862 in Kooringa, South Australia, Australia.
- vi. Emily RUNDLE was born on 31 Jan 1864 in Kooringa, South Australia, Australia; died on 5 Jun 1865 in Kooringa, South Australia, Australia; was buried on 7 Jun 1865 in Burra Cemetery, South Australia, Australia.

Caroline married William ODGERS on 29 Dec 1877 in Moonta Mines, South Australia, Australia. William was born in 1828; died on 11 Apr 1897 in East Moonta, South Australia, Australia. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

Generation: 2

2. Henry GEORGE was born in 1791 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England; was christened on 25 May 1791 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England (son of Thomas GEORGE and Priscilla BENNET).

Henry married Rachel BENNETTS on 26 Dec 1812 in Calstock, Cornwall, England. Rachel (daughter of George BENNATS and Grace SIMMONS) was born in 1794 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England; was christened on 12 Jan 1794 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

3. Rachel BENNETTS was born in 1794 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England; was christened on 12 Jan 1794 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England (daughter of George BENNATS and Grace SIMMONS).

Children:

- i. Elizabeth GEORGE was born in 1813 in Linkinhorne, Cornwall, England; was christened on 30 May 1813 in Linkinhorne, Cornwall, England.
- ii. Henry GEORGE was born in 1815 in Calstock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 14 May 1815 in Calstock, Cornwall, England; died in 1817 in St Blazey, Cornwall, England; was buried on 18 Aug 1817 in St Blazey, Cornwall, England.
- iii. Rachel GEORGE was born in 1817 in Calstock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 1 Jun 1817 in Calstock, Cornwall, England.
- iv. Henry Bennett GEORGE was born in 1819 in Lanlivery, Cornwall, England; was christened on 30 May 1819 in Lanlivery, Cornwall, England.
- v. Ann GEORGE was born in 1821 in Cornwall, England.
- vi. Maria GEORGE was born in 1823 in Luxulyan, Cornwall, England; was christened on 22 Jun 1823 in Luxulyan, Cornwall, England.
- vii. 1. Caroline Frances Bennetts GEORGE was born in 1825 in Luxulyan, Cornwall, England; was christened on 18 Dec 1825 in Luxulyan, Cornwall, England; died on 30 Jul 1904 in Moonta Mines, South Australia, Australia.
- viii. Absalom Bennetts GEORGE was born in 1828 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England; was christened on 13 Sep 1828 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England.
- ix. Grace GEORGE was born in 1832 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England; was christened on 30 May 1832 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England.
- x. Emma GEORGE was born in 1834 in Cornwall, England.

Generation: 3

4. Thomas GEORGE was born in 1747 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England; was christened on 24 Feb 1748 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England (son of Thomas GEORGE and Elizabeth LAWRENCE).

Thomas married Priscilla BENNET on 19 Nov 1775 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England. Priscilla (daughter of George BENNET and Frances ?) was born in 1748 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 26 Jun 1748 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

5. Priscilla BENNET was born in 1748 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 26 Jun 1748 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England (daughter of George BENNET and Frances ?).
Children:

- i. Catharine GEORGE was born in 1776 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 15 Dec 1776 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England.
- ii. Thomas GEORGE was born in 1779 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 26 Sep 1779 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England.
- iii. William GEORGE was born in 1781 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 29 Jul 1781 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England.
- iv. Elizabeth GEORGE was born in 1787 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England; was christened on 9 Dec 1787 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England.
- v. 2. Henry GEORGE was born in 1791 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England; was christened on 25 May 1791 in Tywardreath, Cornwall, England.

6. George BENNATS was born in 1757 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England; was christened on 11 Jun 1757 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England.

George married Grace SIMMONS on 7 Oct 1780 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England. Grace (daughter of James SYMONDS and Grace Evelyn ?) was born in 1758 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England; was christened on 16 Sep 1758 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

7. Grace SIMMONS was born in 1758 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England; was christened on 16 Sep 1758 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England (daughter of James SYMONDS and Grace Evelyn ?).
Children:

- i. 3. Rachel BENNETTS was born in 1794 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England; was christened on 12 Jan 1794 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England.

Generation: 4

8. Thomas GEORGE

Thomas married Elizabeth LAWRENCE on 6 Oct 1742 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

9. Elizabeth LAWRENCE

Children:

- i. 4. Thomas GEORGE was born in 1747 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England; was christened on 24 Feb 1748 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England.
- ii. Henry GEORGE was born in 1750 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England; was christened in 1750 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England.
- iii. William GEORGE was born in 1752 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England; was christened in 1752 in St Winnow, Cornwall, England.

10. George BENNET

George married Frances ?. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

11. Frances ?

Children:

- i. 5. Priscilla BENNET was born in 1748 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England; was christened on 26 Jun 1748 in Lanhydrock, Cornwall, England.

14. James SYMONDS

James married Grace Evelyn ?. [Group Sheet] [Family Chart]

15. Grace Evelyn ?

Children:

- i. 7. Grace SIMMONS was born in 1758 in Gwennap, Cornwall, England; was christened on 16 Sep 1758 in Gwennap,

Cornwall, England.

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