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Editorial

As I said in the last issue of Pulvertaft Papers, now that I have listed all the entries in the Registrar General's Indexes of Births, Marriages and Deaths in England and Wales from 1837 to 1975, I can devote this issue to the modern Pulvertaft family. I do this with very mixed feelings; certainly I find it exciting to see a Pulvertaft family tree in print, but against this I know that there must be errors and omissions and that they are being exposed for the first time! Please tell me of them so that I may correct the record.

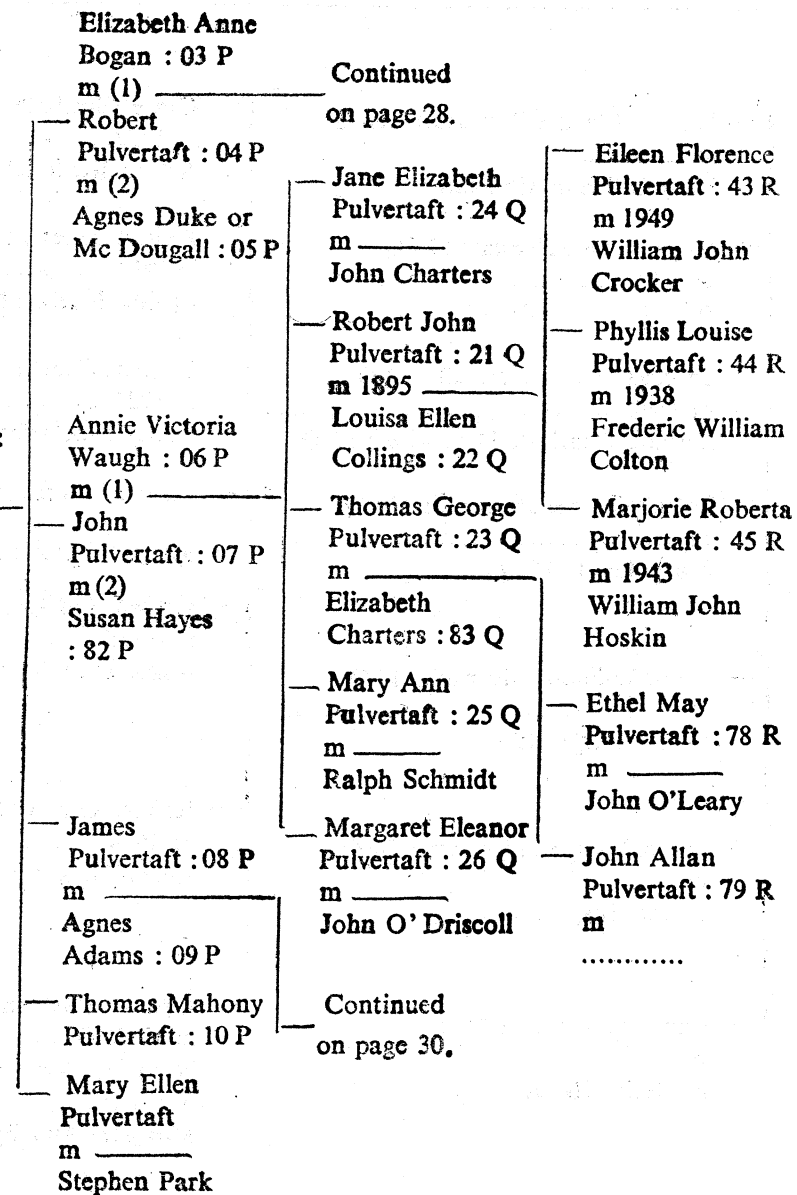
It has been frustrating to find how little personal detail I have been able to show in the pedigree. You will see that to include as much information as possible while maintaining the established A5 format, I have reduced the size of the typeface but have still only managed to include one of the vital dates - that is dates of marriage. Ideally I would have liked also to have shown dates of birth, of death, occupations and the names by which members of the family are, or were, known. However, as this would have been at the expense of the number of generations included, I decided against it.

The numbering convention which I have included in the pedigrees was originally devised for my card index system to avoid ambiguity when referring to individuals. You will see that each member of the family is given a two digit number followed by a letter which indicates his or her 'generation'. Each family group is then allocated a prefix letter to distinguish its members from those of other groups, the 'Modern' Pulvertaft family shown in this issue being given the letter 'M'. Thus, if you wanted to identify me, you could refer to me as 'David Pulvertaft (M55S)'.

The other convention which I have followed stems from the fact that, as this is a Pulvertaft family tree, I have only named those children whose father is or was a Pulvertaft and who therefore bear the family name. Where children are known to have been born to couples in which the wife was a Pulvertaft, they are indicated by a line after the marriage symbol. Full Christian Names, as recorded at birth registration or baptism, are included in the pedigrees as these are technically correct. A list of the names by which some members of the family are commonly known is given on page 32.

The Modern Pulvertaft Family

Although there are today Pulvertafts well distributed round the world, all who are known to me have a direct descent from Thomas Pulvertaft (M01O) and Mary Ann Mahony (M02O), shown opposite. The family was involved in the brass foundry and brass finishing industry for well over 100 years; certainly from 1824 to 1942. Thomas (M01O) is described as a 'brass founder' at the baptisms of his sons John (M07P) in 1848 and Thomas



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— Isabella Martha Pulvertaft : 12 Q
m _____
John Gilliland Mc Lean

— Mary Anne Pulvertaft : 13 Q
m 1902 _____
Sidney T..... Watts

— Thomas John Pulvertaft : 14 Q
m 1892 _____
Barbara Charlotte Denroche : 15 Q

— Robert George Pulvertaft : 16 Q
m _____
Mary Ladd : 17 Q

— Amos William Pulvertaft : 18 Q
m 1904 _____
Clara Savage : 19 Q

— Eileen Maude Pulvertaft : 20 Q
m _____
James Musgrave

— Agnes Pulvertaft : 74 Q
m _____
Frederick House

— Grace Elizabeth Pulvertaft : 29 R
m 1922 _____
Arthur Frederick Ernest Brunson

— Robert James Valentine Pulvertaft : 30 R
m 1922 _____
Elizabeth Lilian Mary Costello : 31 R

— Thomas Charles Bryan Pulvertaft : 32 R
m 1925 _____
Nancy Macfarlane Worrall : 33 R

— Laddie Pulvertaft : 34 R
— Mary Pulvertaft : 35 R

— William Godfrey Pulvertaft : 36 R
m 1928 _____
Annie Joan Martin : 37 R

— Robert Guy Pulvertaft : 38 R
m 1934 _____
Helen Elizabeth Boyd-Willock : 39 R

— Charles Norman Pulvertaft : 40 R
m (1) 1937 _____
Nora Paterson : 41 R
m (2) 1977 _____
Margaret Ann Pybus : 42 R

— Isobel Lalage Pulvertaft : 47 S
m 1951 _____
Peter Morris Green

— Damaris Rosalind Pulvertaft : 48 S
m 1955 _____
Leonard Smith

— Thomas Bourke Pulvertaft : 49 S
m 1960 _____
Rachel Alison Smeall : 50 S

— Rosemary Martha Pulvertaft : 51 S
m 1955 _____
William Pitt Patrick

— Thomas Christopher Robert Pulvertaft : 52 S
m 1964 _____
Inger-Lis Christensen : 46 S

— Michael John Pulvertaft : 53 S
m 1958 _____
Ann Stephanie Graham Crawford : 54 S

— David Martin Pulvertaft : 55 S
m 1961 _____
Mary Rose Jeacock : 56 S

— Kerry Boyd Pulvertaft : 57 S
— Elizabeth Clare Pulvertaft : 58 S
m 1961 _____
Cheng Chuan Lim

— Alison Noreen Pulvertaft : 59 S
m 1964 _____
Peter Francis Strutt Evans

— Roger William Pulvertaft : 60 S
m 1968 _____
Lesley Martin : 61 S

— Diane Margaret Pulvertaft : 62 S
m 1963 _____
Richard Hudson Stephenson

— Deborah Kate Pulvertaft : 63 T

— Robert James Costello Pulvertaft : 64 T

— William Robert Pulvertaft : 65 T

— Caroline Jane Graham Pulvertaft : 66 T

— Rosalind Lisa Graham Pulvertaft : 67 T

— Belinda Susan Graham Pulvertaft : 68 T

— Rupert James Pulvertaft : 69 T

— Sarah Jane Pulvertaft : 70 T

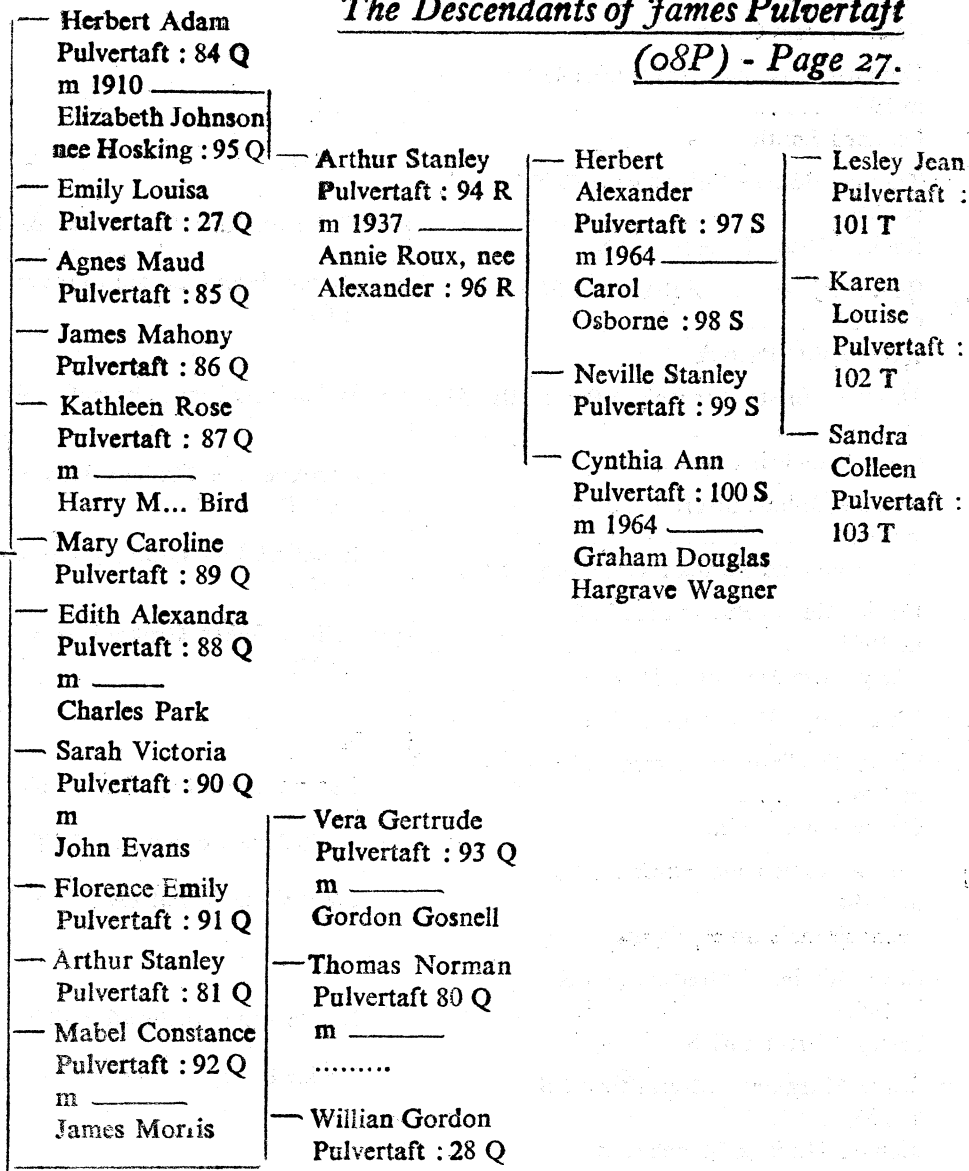
— Lucy Michelle Pulvertaft : 71 T

— Nicola Jane Pulvertaft : 72 T

— Michael Guy Pulvertaft : 73 T

The Descendants of James Pulvertaft

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(M10P) in 1853. He was not however the first member of the family to be so described as there is an obituary in *The Cork Constitution* dated 1826 to the wife of Mr. Robert Pulvertaft which gives him the description 'brass founder of Hanover St.' - Thomas's father perhaps?

The growth of the business over the years can be traced from various trade directories and almanacs. In 1824 'Bryan & Pulvertaft' are described as brass founders of Hanover St.; between 1844 and 1863 the lists of brass founders include Thomas Pulvertaft of Tobin St.; by 1871 the entry has changed to Robert Pulvertaft of George's St. (later to become Oliver Plunkett St.). By 1906 the firm is listed as Robert Pulvertaft & Sons, reflecting the fact that Robert (M03P) had been joined in the business by his sons, 'Bobbie' (M16Q) and 'Willie' (M18Q). Others of the family were involved. By 1915 it is known that John (M07P) was work's foreman, while James (M08P) and Thomas (M23Q) worked as fitters and turners. In his father's old age, 'Willie' (M18Q) took over management of the firm and, after Robert's death in 1922, ran it until he sold it in 1942.

There is a tradition in one branch of the family that Thomas (M010) went from 'Holland' to Ireland where he met and married Mary Ann Mahony. While this at first glance appears to suggest the much sought connection with the Lincolnshire Pulvertafts, the fact that there are Pulvertafts in Cork parish registers for at least two generations before Thomas, makes a second look essential. These early Cork Pulvertafts will be included in a future issue, as will the details of some members of the family shown in this issue but not discussed.

Notes and Queries

Many of the Pulvertafts shown on pages 26 to 31 are, or were, known by names other than their first Christian Name. The use of these 'known names' can cause confusion in a family tree - partly as they may be used by some, but not all members of the family and partly because they make their owners difficult to identify in the formal pedigree in which full Christian Names are used. To overcome this difficulty, commonly used 'known names' are listed below with the identifying code appropriate to their owners:

Alison	M50S	Madge	M20Q
Allan	M79R		26Q
Betty	M39R	Mary Ann	M42R
Bobbie	M16Q	Mary Rose	M56S
Bryan	M32R	Molly	M25Q
Christopher	M52S		35R
Clare	M58S	Norman	M80Q
Ella	M12Q		40R
Godfrey	M36R	Norrie	M41R
Guy	M38R	Robert	M65T
Isbel	M31R	Robin	M30R
Joan	M37R	Ros	M48S
Kate	M63T	Stanley	81Q
Lalage	M47S		94R
		Willie	M18Q

Obituary

It is with deep regret that the death is recorded of Helen Elizabeth Boyd Pulvertaft on 19th May 1983 at Derby.