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MY OLD HOUSE

bу

Harry Hollingsworth, C.G., R.G.

My old house at 3250 West 108th Street, Inglewood, Los Angeles County, California 90303, is the old house here meant. The above is it's common name - really the number of the lot on which it stands. In other countries, the U.K. for example, houses get dubbed with beautiful names. (I know of one called West Hill House, in Foxton, Cambridgeshire which dates back to Shakespeare's days!) But my lot number or address will have to serve as a "name", I guess. The legal description, however, is what really counts. It is the "East 40 feet of the West 80 feet of the North 110 feet of Lot 583 in Tract 1631." This piece is what is left, along with an adjoining lot, of a half-acre which my grandfather, John Benjamin "Jack" Hollingsworth (1861-1933) bought in 1922. He subdivided it for sale. Later, however, he settled on one of the lots and built a house, garage and "rabbitry." He also had some chickens and sold eggs. Inglewood was a poultry center in those days. Actually, it was not Inglewood, but Lennox, an unincorporated section of Los Angeles County. It finally became Inglewood when it was annexed (much to my anger) in 1954.

Before my birth in 1931, and until the end of the sedond world war, the neighborhood was what folks would call a "country" area. Open fields of grass and wild oats, full of horny toads (horned lizards, actually), king snakes, gopher snakes, garter snakes, rats, real gophers and moles, all kinds of birds, and clumps of wild anise, willow and the like, abounded. The roads were either oiled dirt or primitive blacktop. There were no sewers, storm drains, sidewalks, curbs or gutters. Prosperous folks had cesspools; others had "outhouses" or "Lem Putts". We had both!

Up the road a half a mile, the Japanese farmers had their "truck gardens." They raised strawberries, cabbage, lettuce, beans and other crops, which they trucked to markets or roadside stands. I loved to sneak into their fields and munch on their strawberries. One time, I really got greedy, and uprooted a couple of plants and re-planted them by the old lemon tree in the back yard beside the house my Grandma Crawford lived in. We had good strawberries for at least half a year. (The house is gone, Grandma died in 1942, but the lemon tree is still producing to this day over forty years later.)

I also was fascinated by the reservoirs or irrigation ponds which the Japanese farmers had erected. They were like sumps, about 300 feet by 300 feet of water enclosed by high banked dirt dikes. They had sluices to irrigate the fields. Mosquitoes were minimized by filling the ponds with creatures which fed on their larvae! For instance, golden carp (now very VERY valuable), or big, green bullfrogs which measured a foot from snout to tippietoes, and whose tadpoles were at least six inches long at maturity. They also stocked the water with "crawdads" (crayfish), measuring 6 to 8 inches, which lived in

the mud at the bottom of these ponds and preyed on anything which came near. There were "bluegills" (fresh water perch) and "mosquito fish", both of which could leap out of the water and devour the adult mosquitoes or any other flying creatures. Madam mosquito was flirting with extinction if she attempted to deposit her eggs on those waters!

I tried to catch everything except mosquitoes out of those ponds. Once, I turned over an old box by the pond and there were a couple of mammoth bullfrogs! I made the mistake of announcing the fact to some other older boys nearby. They quickly pushed me aside and robbed me of my discovery. The next time I found such a prize, I eagerly stuffed the squirming beast into my pants pocket and ran home with it!

My ambition was to re-create one of these ponds in my own yard at "My Old House," and Mother let out a cry when I demanded the right to build a "swamp" (as I called it) in the front of the house. Ultimately, she gave in to my pleas, and for my 14th birthday celebration in 1945, Dad helped me build a concrete fishpond in the front vard. It is still there today, with improvements and repairs, and the waterlilies of 1945 are still blooming in 1983, although the hyacinths are long gone, and all the bluegills have lept out onto the lawn and stranded themselves and died horrible deaths, and I had to catch all my crawdads and cook and eat them, lest they in turn devour my goldfish.

Those Huck Finn days are gone. The Japanese were "relocated" when earl Harbor came, and Mexicans took over, until "subdivision and housing" arrived and displaced them after the war. Along with the close of those wonderful childhood times went the singing crickets at night, the host of varied butterflies, the redwing blackbirds, bats, owls and the rest. In fact, only in my fishpond's placid water can I look back into those times and exult in a certain, small victory over "progress."

My Old House was built before any legal standards were in force in Lennox. Grandpa built it substandard, as is contrasted with his own house just one lot over. That one has a concrete foundation while mine has only a mud sill (bricks laid down covered with a thin layer of concrete). The construction of the uprights is 2%3 instead of 2%4! This makes for a weaker structure, and if you want to install a wall heater, forget it! There is no sub-floor. Jack just nailed his top flooring to the joists. (In 1974 I tore out all the old clogged water pipes myself and installed new ones, for less than \$200.00 - plumbers, eat your hearts out! Dad had a cast iron sewer laid in 1936 with local "Depression labor". That replaced the old cesspools. A right move.)

When Jack Hollingsworth was building My Old House, it is said, he would get a bottle of good liquor and bribe the inspector to okay any work on the construction (remember: those were Prohibition days). He had made many friends in the Los Angeles city government when he was proprietor of a paint and wallpaper store in the first decade of this century.

I have letters which show that, though the mudsill was laid about 1922 or 1923, Granddad was still working on the structure as late as 1927. Brother John wrote my parents, then away on the road in Vaudeville, telling them of Grandfather's work. But there is even a more

remarkable collection I want to tell you about, which illuminates the history of "My Old House".

For a couple of years I have been gathering bills, deeds, letters and clippings from every nook and cranny in this structure, into some semblance of organization. Among these is EVERY TAX BILL SINCE 1927! You read right, Dear Reader: Not one is missing. See further along.

The deed by which Grandfather sold to my father and mother is recorded in Deed Book 38642 at page 178, recorded on 4 Apr 1952 in the Los Angeles County Recorder's office. It is dated 16 Jan 1928. It was preceded, however, by an unrecorded Agreement for Sale of 9 Aug 1927, from John B. and Mary Hollingsworth his wife as parties of the first part, to Henry Harrison Hollingsworth and Nan his wife - my parents. The agreement is for a sum of \$2,500.00 to be paid at twenty dollars a month or more. The list of payments attached shows that Dad paid an average of a hundred dollars *from August 25th through Dec 30th 1927 and six hundred dollars on Jan. 10th, 1928. He had paid \$600.00 down. I have a separate, typed receipt signed by my grandparents 1 Dec 1927 for \$1,200.00. The property was described then as: *(a month)

Lot No. 2, in RE-Sub Division of Lot Five hundred and Eighty-Three (583) of Tract number Sixteen Hundred Thirty-one (1631) in the County of Los Angeles, State of California; as per map recorded in Book 21, pages 86 and 87 of maps in the office of the County Recorder of said county, said lot in Re-Sub Division of Lot 583 being Number two. Lot facing Lincoln Avenue, beginning 40 feet east of Lemon Avenue, and being a lot 40 feet by (___) feet. Also house situated on said lot No. 2, and garage, Said house of three rooms and bath.

The receipt shows the address of the lot at that time was 4358 Lincoln Avenue, "Inglewood," California (the nearest post office). (The old subdivision laid out in 1912 by one Byron G. Putman, had 108th Street named for Lincoln, 109th for McKinley and 110th for Garfield - the three then assassinated Presidents.) Lincoln Avenue was soon changed to 108th Street, and Lemon Avenue, the cross street, became Lemoli- the reasonableness of that change I am yet to understand!

After Dad died Mother filed an affidavit terminating joint tenancy and a Declaration of Homestead (Book 38642 pp. 181, 182) and by her will (29 Oct 1969) which was not probated, she left this house and lot to me. However, several years before her death, on 27 Feb 1973, she entered into joint tenancy with me. The portion she had bequeathed to my brother, he had sold in 1972. This made of no effect the will, insofar as real estate was concerned. The family lawyer (of unhappy memory) only collected his rightful twenty dollars for drafting Mother's will. He got not a cent out of probate, because there was none! He died only seven months after Mother. This would have caused more red tape if the estate had been under probate. I have always been very satisfied with this triumph over "lawyerism!" (Other Hollingsworths copy.) I took the property out of joint tenancy and filed my own Declaration of Homestead. Thus, it became truly, My Old House.

I was not the preserver of all these tax bills and receipts. Hardly. Mother and Dad saved them, Mother continuing to do so after Dad passed away. She was a true packrat. I have almost every utility bill from the 1930s to date! And I can perhaps show a bill of sale or an invoice for every appliance we bought from the 1940s!

Here is a summary of the totals of the taxes, year by year, assessed on My Old House from the time the house was sold to my parents:

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(1) 1927-28 $46.12 (Assessed to John B. Hollingsworth, 222 E. 56th
                                 St., Los Angeles, CAL - Granddad's old house.)
                      $22.65 (Plus personal property of $7.50.)
     *(2) 1928-29
   **(3) 1929-30
                       $24.29 (Personal property additional: $3.61.)
                      $21.41 (Personal prop. add: $3.94.)
$20.54 (Personal prop. add: $1.57.)
  ***(4) 1930-31
      (5) 1931-32
                      $17.90 (Pers. prop. add: $1.80.)
      (6) 1932-33
      (7) 1933-34
                       $16.63 (Pers. prop. add: $1.38.)
      (8) 1934-35
(9) 1935-36
                       $15.60 (Pers. prop. add: $3.89.)
                      $15.39 (Personal property exempt.)
$20.35 (Personal property exempt.)
     (10) 1936-37
     (11) 1937-38
                       $23.12 (P. P. exempt.)
                      $22.53 (ditto)
$22.48 (ditto)
     (12) 1938-39
     (13) 1939-40
     (14) 1940-41
                       $19.94 (ditto)
                      $19.37 (ditto)
$17.07 (A change here: no more pers. prop. assessed.)
     (15) 1941-42
     (16) 1942-43
     (17) 1943-44
                      $17.57
     (18) 1944-45
                      $23.36
$21.08
                                               (45) 1971-72 $250.87
     (19) 1945-46
                                               (46) 1972-73 $247.27
     (20) 1946-47
                       $23.89
                                               (47) 1973-74 $345.41
     (21) 1947-48
                      $26.04
                                               (48) 1974-75 $267.38
     (22) 1948-49
                      $39.88
                                               (49) 1975-76 $273.26
****(23) 1949-50
                                              (50) 1975-70 $273.26
(50) 1976-77 $271.94
(51) 1977-78 $271.96
(52) 1978-79 $104.56
(53) 1979-80 $106.49
(54) 1980-81 $123.91
(55) 1981-82 $138.88
(56) 1982-83 $166.34
                      $42.25
     (24) 1950-51
                       $47.45
     (25) 1951-52
                       $41.81
     (26) 1952-53
                      $43.50
     (27) 1953-54
                       $44.20
     (28) 1954-55
(29) 1955-56
                      $56.88
$78.19
$73.81
     (30) 1956-57
                                                                 57.57 total $223.91
     (31) 1957-58
                       $81.89
                                              (57) 1983-84 $195.47
     (32) 1958-59 $103.23
     (33) 1959-60 $108.38
                                  *Assessed to Henry Hollingsworth at 10708
     (34) 1960-61 $107.13
                                   Lemon Avenue, Inglewood.
     (35) 1961-62 $113.54 **Assessed to Henry Hollingsworth at 10812 (36) 1962-63 $112.82 Lemon Ave., Inglewood. (37) 1963-64 $114.50***Assessed to Henry Hollingsworth at 3250
     (38) 1964-65 $123.64
(39) 1965-66 $124.23
(40) 1966-67 $128.44
(41) 1967-68 $237.23
                                   Lincoln Avenue, Inglewood. (The 1935-6
                                   assessment was the same, but written in
                                   pencil 3250 West 108th St., Inglewood.)
                                **** Assessed to Nan Hollingsworth at same.
     (42) 1968-69 $253.66 The 1973-4 is assessed to Nan C. and Henry A.
     (43) 1969-70 $195.25 Hollingsworth; the 1980-81 to Henry A. alone.
     (44) 1970-71 $239.26
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note Henry

Note the first (1927) assessment was double that of the next. I have no explanation for that unless the entire half acre was included. Note also the assessments remained below thirty dollars until 1948, when the inexorable rise began. Ten years later the sum topped a hundred dollars! Nine years after that (1967-8) it almost doubled again, in one year. The shocker at item (47) was because we failed to file a homeowner's exemption, which was then duly paid and an adjusted tax was paid.

The Jarvis Amendment (Prop. 13) is what accounts for the drop in 1978 from 271 dollars the previous year to only 104 dollars. Nevertheless, the taxes have continued to rise! Howard Jarvis (Oh, how the tax collectors and other bureaucrats hate him. Oh, how I love him!) has tried to correct these encroachments. The added sum at (56) reflects my taking the property out of joint tenancy and putting it in my own name - and they assessed me retreactively for daring to own my own land at last. Damn them to hell! Death to socialist bureaucrats!

But anyway, it's now My Old House! (What shall I name it?)

Hollingsworth Miscellany

- (1) "So you gave a fellow \$75 to look up your ancestors," said Smith. "What did he learn?" "Plenty!" answered Brown. "I had to give him another \$75 to keep quiet." (Squib with no reference.)
- (2) Writer Marion Hargrove recently revisited Greensboro, North Carolina, "neighboring and caucusing" as he reports. He sent a cutting from the Greensboro Daily News Editorial section, Non. June 13, 1983, p. 10. The first paragraph reads.

"It was in the depths of the Great Depression that Richard Hollingsworth had a new idea. In June 1933 - 50 years ago this week - he opened the first drive-in movie theater in Camden, New Jersey." Under the caption The drive-in picture show, the two column story traces some history of the innovation, mainly in Guilford County, North Carolina.

The Book of Firsts (1982 edition) by Patrick Robertson, p. 70, gives this history:

DRIVE-IN CINEMA (it is a British author!): the first was opened on a 10-acre site off Wilson Blvd., Camden, N.J. by Richard Hollingshead on 6 June 1933. The screen, measuring 40 X 30 ft, was erected against a scenario 60X150ft, and there was accommodation for 400 cars. The sound came from direction-speakers supplied by RCA-Victor (the company was based at Camden - Editor).

Okay! Which spelling is right? Hollingsworth or Hollingshead? (Lucky we had purchased The Book of Firsts, isn't it?) Thanks Marion.

- (3) That hoary soap opera, "The Days of Our Lives," on NBC, had a character on its Monday, 19th of September 1983 episode, "Reverend Hollingsworth." He performed a Caribbean island wedding for two of the principals in the cast don't ask me who they were. Your editor just accidentally tuned the show in (nobody will ever believe me!).
- (4) Correspondent Chapman Sullivan of Margate, Florida, sends us a clipping out of the Fort Lauderdale <u>Sun-Sentinel</u> for 14 Dec 1982. It seems that First National Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, offered an initial rate of 21 percent on the new account for the first month. It took extended hours on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, to handle the consumer demand. According to <u>Harry Hollingsworth</u>, Jr., of the bank, the telephone hotline to answer questions about the new account was logging up more than 700 calls a day.
- (5) "Salem County in the Revolution," dealing with Salem County, New Jersey (1932) by Frank H. Stewart, p. 9, has a list of the Associators of Upper Alloways Creek, who signed a petition of support to the Continental Congress about 31 May 1776, abhorring the hostilities in Massachusetts Bay, "having long viewed with concern the avowed design of the Ministry of Great Britain to raise a revenue in America," etc. and affixed their signatures thereto, pledging their support of the magistrates and other (American) civil officers. Among the 73 names is that of Tho. Hollingsworth. Mr. Stewart says it is an original document, though undated, follows the form recommended by the N.J. Provincial Congress dated as above. It therefore probably antedates the Declaration of Independence. Now: Who was this Thomas Hollingsworth?
- (6) Correspondent Martha Hess of Long Beach, California, sends us a quote from "A Genealogy of the Porter Family of Maryland, West Virginia and Michigan," by Samuel Doak Porter (1896-1966) published by his widow and children as a memorial to him in 1971. Page 15 reads:

James Madison Porter, son of John M. and Catherine (Glissan) Porter, was born at Rose Meadows (Cumberland Co., PA) 14 Apr 1817. He married 1 Aug 1848, Mary Ellen Gibson, daughter of Minor Gibson and Elizabeth (Shakelford) who was born 5 Aug 1823 in Rappahannock Co., VA. Children: Glissan Thomas Porter, 1849; Lucy Elizabeth Porter. On p. 29:

Glissan Thomas Porter, son of Dr. James Madison Porter and Mary Ellen Gibson, was born 17 Sept. 1849. He studied law in the office of his father's first cousin, Henry T. Porter (Cooper, Porter and Mitchell) in Mt. Vernon, Ohio. He married, 9 May 1877, HATTIE HOLLIDAY HOLLINGS-WORTH, daughter of Isaac Hollingsworth and Alcinda Gibson. Children: James Madison Forter, b 1879; Mary E. Porter m. Bert Doyle; Hollingsworth Porter; Hattie Claire Porter m Nelson Sappington of Philadelphia, Pa. and Violet Richmond Porter m Reginald M. Jones of Salt Lake City, Utah. See Descendants of Valentine Hollingsworth, Sr., (1925) by Joseph Adger Stewart, p. 119. Harriet Holliday Hollingsworth was born in 1855, and her line is Isaac⁶, of Isaac⁵ who m. Harriett Holliday; of Zebidee⁴, Jacob³, Thomas², Valentine¹, and we add Henry Hollinworth of Ballyvickcrannell, Seagoe Parish, Co Armagh, Ireland. (See page 51.)

(7) The Beach Reporter, a beach newspaper, published by beach people and reflecting the south-bay beach scene, in its Oct. 13, 1983 is-

sue printed the results of a 10 K run called the Old Hometown 10K Run a few days before. There was quite a lot of rain that day. But that did not deter the many hundreds of participants from completing the day. Included in the contestants were Gene Hollingsworth, age 60, time 1:02:36 in the male 60-64 catagory (Division 14); Lillie Hollingsworth (sic) age 58, time 1:08:47 in the female 55-59 catagory (Div. 6) and Joel Hollingsworth, age 37, time 1:02:04 in the male 35-39 catagory (Div. 398). The race was run on 1 Oct 1983. These three were probably related. (Pages 22, 28, 31.) The race ran at Manhattan Beach, CA.

(8) William Wai Lee Chong, of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, sued Capt. Ed Ostrum and employee Richard Hollingsworth of the Salvation Army. Why? Lee Chong claimed Hollingsworth told Calgary police Chong threatened Ostrum and then on 9 Feb 1983 they raided Chong's apartment, and caused damage and forfeiture of his damage deposit. He is suing for \$8,070 (Banadian currency, of course). Alberta Report, 25 July 1983 p. 30, sent by Cousin and correspondent Clare Hollingsworth of Edmonton.

Articles for this column are solicited.

Shubert Actor Shot During Play

by

Harry Hollingsworth, C.G., R.G.

My father accidentally shot himself while acting in a play called "The Deep Purple" on Sunday, January 4th, 1920, at the Shubert Theater in St. Paul, Minnesota. He nearly died, according to my mother's recounting of the tragic event. Just now, in September, 1983, I found a collection of cuttings from all the St. Paul papers covering the accident, none of which I ever remember seeing. They had lain in a drawer rolled up with a woman's garter (!) for about 63 years. Even Mother had forgotten that she had documentary evidence, and reduced the story to an oral narrative! I quote the St. Paul Daily News, Mon. Jan 5th, 1920, front page (with photo):

Shubert Actor Shot During Play Keeps Accident From Audience. Harry Hollingsworth, Seriously Injured at Sunday Mattinee - Shell Sets Fire to Clothes - Pluckily Returns to Stage at Night - Condition Today Alarms.

Harry Hollingsworth, leading man, Shubert theater players, was seriously injured Sunday afternoon during the performance of "The Deep Purple," when a 45 caliber revolver containing a blank cartridge exploded in his pocket. The wad of the cartridge entered his abdomen, inflicting a large wound more than an inch deep.

As Mr. Hollingsworth staggered into the wings, his clothes burst into flames. Mechanics and stage hands seized him as he fell to the floor and smothered the flames with curtains. The accident occurred during a noisy incident of the play, and only those in the first aisles realized that he was hurt. Doctors were called to stop the flow of blood and Mr Hollingsworth insisted on appearing at the night show, against the advice of physicians. This morning a high fever developed

and members of the company are worried about his condition. It has been necessary for him to withdraw from the cast.

More about the accident is reported in the St. Paul Dispatch for the same day:

Shubert Leading Man Wounded In Stage Role of Bad Gunman - Revolver Accidentally Discharing in Pocket of Harry Hollingsworth at Matinee Yesterday, Will Put Him Out of "The Deep Purple" Cast Several Days.

A severe wound on the right hip was suffered by Harry Hollings-worth, leading man at the Shubert theater, when a revolver accidentally discharging in his pocket at the matinee yesterday afternoon of "The Deep Purple," a crook play. Hollingsworth was able to go through with the performance last night, but was confined to his bed todaywith a high fever. He will be unable to finish the engagement this week.

Was Playing Gunman. The accident occurred in the last act of the play. Hollingsworth, as a reformed Western train robber and gunman was facing his enemy, a dapper Eastern crook. The Easterner had sold the Westerner outto the police but "the woman" had been instrumental in obtaining the latter's release. Hollingsworth, after telling the Easterner to shoot, was to turn his back. The enemy was to draw his revolver. Hollingsworth, turning, was to beat the Easterner to the draw and kill him. It was while turning that the revolver snapped in Hollingsworth's pocket. He staggered from the stage, the accident passing almost unnoted by the audience. He was given immediate medical attention, such that enabled him to fill his part last night.

Hollingsworth's Second Accident. During his absence from the cast his part will be taken by Robert Morris, another member of the stock company. This is the second accident that has occurred to Hollings-worth in the past six weeks. During a recent melodrama he cut his hand. Blood poison set in. One act of the play was supposed to take place ten years later. Hollingsworth was forced to wear the bandage over the stage time of ten years.

The St. Paul Daily News, later, added: While the actor is not out of danger, physicians say all precautions have been taken to prevent blood poisoning. He has been inoculated with anti-tetanum serum.

(On the same page of the <u>Dispatch</u> is an ad for Bayer Aspirin. The tablets were exactly like they are now, with the crisscross trademark as we know it, 63 years later.)

The Saint Paul Fioneer Press for Sunday, Dec 28, 1919, introduced the new company at the Shubert: Noted Stage Director, Who Gave Inez Ragan and her leading Man First Lines on Stage, Joins Shubert Cast. Robert Morris was the Stage Director mentioned, who took Dad's place after the accident. This article states that Morris had given both Inez Ragan and Harry Hollingsworth their first stage direction at the Los Angeles Burbank theater, she some 7 years before, and Dad about 9 years before. The place is right. But Harry Hollingsworth started at the Burbank in 1904, and by 1911 had been owner of his own stock com-

pany which worked up and down California. He was owner of this company before he was 21, in 1908! The article calls the Shubert company wone of the best stock companies the city ever has known." Dad had started at the New Shubert on Sunday 9 Nov 1919. Among the other cast members were Inez Ragan, Nan Crawford (Harry's wife), Helen Keers, Joseph de Stephani (Keers and De Stephani were in movies later), Sidney Riggs, Ruth Lee (someone told me she was the mother of Harriett Hilliard, Mrs. Ozzie Nelson), and Lucille Wackman.

COLMAN HOLLINGSWORTH

Colman Hollingsworth, residing on section 28, Union Township, who has been identified with the interests of Ringgold County for many years, was born in Miami County, Ohio, November 23, 1837, a son of Abner and Nancy Hollingsworth who were born, reared and married in the State of Pennsylvania. The father still resides on the old homestead in Ohio. The mother is deceased. Of their seven children our subject was the fourth child. He was reared to a farm life, living in his native State till reaching maturity. At the age of twenty-one years he went to Missouri, and was a resident of Platte County, that State, at the time of Lincoln's nomination for President, in 1860, returning to Ohio in the fall of that year. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company C, Ninety-sixth Ohio Infantry, and participated in the assault upon the defenses of Vicksburg under General Sherman. He was at Haines' Bluff in December, 1862, and was at the taking of Arkansas Post, and also in the campaign culminating in the surrender of Vicksburg. He was in the second campaign against Jackson, Mississippi, this ending his adtive service. At this time he received a furlough on account of sickness and returned to his home. He was discharged in March, 1865, and now receives a pension. His two brothers, George M. and La Fayette, both served in Ohio regiments during the war, the former the Forty-third Ohio Infantry, and the latter a member of a cavalry company. His brother Hezron was not physically qualified for service, and remained with his parents. After the close of the war Mr. Hollingsworth came to Ringgold County, where he has since made his home, and is now the owner of a fine farm of 120 acres of choice land, where he makes his home. He was married in Ringgold County in February, 1867, to Miss Louisa Richards, a native of Crawford County, Ohio, a daughter of James Richards. Her parents were early settlers of Ringgold County, Iowa, coming to Union Township in 1857. Her mother died in May 1872, and her father's death occurred January 8, 1886, at the advanced age of ninety-two years. Mr. and Mrs. Hollingsworth are the parents of five children all living at home - Minnie, Manford, Guy, Bessie and Abner. In former years Mr. Hollingsworth was a Democrat, and cast his vote for Stephen A. Douglas, but in 1872 supported Horace Greeley, and now affiliates with the Greenback party. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Banner Lodge, at Wirt. (From Biographical and <u>Historical Record of Ringgold and Decatur Counties</u>, <u>Iowa</u> (1887) by the Lewis Publishing Company, Chicago, pages 351, 352. This family is currently being spotlighted here, through the efforts of Mrs. Eileen Gray of Florence, Oregon. Stewart's book (p. 134) leaves out Colman Hollingsworth from the children of Abner Hollingsworth, who married (1) Nancy Colman and (2) Amanda Bending. The line is Colman⁷, Abner⁶, Isaiah⁵, Valentine⁴, James³, Valentine², Valentine¹, Henry A Hollinworth. This is Stewart's source, subject, of course, to re-checking.)

Coweta County, Georgia, Hollingsworth Marriages, 1827-1979:

19 Dec 1844 (1) Levi Hollingsworth and Elizabeth Ann Echols 17 Dec 1872 (2) F. W. Hudson and L. A. Hollinsworth (3) Isaiah L. Hollingsworth and Olivia Cranford 1 Dec 1874 (4) Edward T. Hollingsworth and Julia R. Parrott 19 Jan 1886 14 Dec 1890 (5) A. L. Johnson and L. V. Hollingsworth (female) 24 Jan 1897 (6) Robert H. Gaddy and Ada Hollingsworth (7) Angier N. Hollingworth and Maude Addy 27 Jan 1901 2 Nov 1924 (8) John Hollingsworth and Angeline Spence (9) William Mac Hollingsworth and Nellie Katherine Gillespie 6 Dec 1924 1 Feb 1948 (10) Albert P. Wyche and Jewell Hollingsworth (11) Richard O. Ball and Shirley B. Hollingsworth 4 Dec 1954 (12) Danny Homer Hammitt & Sara J. Hollingsworth 28 Feb 1969

(13) Michael Stephen Hollingsworth & Susan Sewell Lane 31 Dec 1979

From Coweta County, Georgia, Marriages, 1827-1979, by Newman-Coweta Historical Society, Box 1001, Newman, GA 30264 (1980) pp. 8, 57, 65, 76, 80, 85, 177. Again, how come that so many couples married in December and January? Seven in December and three in January. None were married in the traditional springtime! Mystery thickens.

Gordon-Hollingsworth Burying Ground, Todd County, Kentucky.

- (1) John Gordon, May 1785-July 1852; wife Elizabeth, May 12, 1791-July 25, 1878. (2) Maria, wife of W. K. Hollingsworth, Oct 15, 1815-May 13, 1864.
- (3) T. K. Hollingsworth, b. June 20, 1845, d. Feb 23, 1853.
- (4) J. J. Hollingsworth, b. June 20, 1845, d. Aug. 10, 1870.
 (5) Infant daughter of W. K. & M. Hollingsworth, b. Oct. 20, 1854, d. April 6, 1855.
- (6) J. H. Miller, b. Oct. 1857, d. Mar. 1858.
- (7) Joseph Franklin, son of W. A. & E. A. Miller, b. Dec 18, 1858, d. Dec 11, 1861.
- (8) Elizabeth A. (Hollingsworth), wife of W. A. Miller, b. July 29, 1826, d. Mar. 21, 1862.
- (9) Nancy Gordon, b. July 11, 1854, d. 1857.
- (10) Edward R. Gordon, b. Dec 1, 1850, d. Feb 1, 1851.
- (11) Joseph Gordon, b. Sept. 6, 1786, d. Mar. 1870. (12) Mary H. Gordon, b. June 15, 1793, d. Jan. 25, 1884.

The cemetery is on the Sydney Dill and J. C. Cole farm on old Gordonville road, seven miles northeast of Elkton, Kentucky - was in 1956 when this graveyard was surveyed. From DAR Kentucky Cemetery Records, Vol.1 (1960) p. 360. Stewart, p. 112, shows above Maria (2) was a Gordon, wife of William Kennedy Hollingsworth. These represent the family of Jeptha Hollingsworth by wife Nancy or Anne Gordon. Jeptha is one more of those mystery men whose offspring are still not sorted out.

OBITUARY:

(1) Elias Hollingsworth, 1848, Pickens District, South Carolina.

Died at his residence in Pickens District, on the 22d November, Mr. Elias Hollingsworth, in the 87th year of his age. (The Pendleton (S.C.) Messenger, issue of 8 Dec 1848; he was a Revolutionary soldier. All D.A.R. and patriotic societies, please note. From Marriage and Death Notices from the Pendleton Messenger, 1807-1851, p. 86 (1977), Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr. from files in the South Caroliniana Library.)

(2) Esther Hollingsworth, Cranacrower, Co Wexford, Ire, 1868.

14 June 1868, at Cranacrower (townland), Ballycanew (parish), Co. Wexford, Ireland, Esther Hollingsworth, age 75, widowed, widow of a farmer. Cause of death: disease of the heart, immediate. Certified. Information received from J. B. Allen, coroner for the County Wexford. Reg. 16 June 1868 in Volume 7, page 628, #437 of deaths. (She was the widow of John Hollingsworth of Cranacrower, and the daughter of Saml. Hollingsworth of Ballinakill, Ballycanew by his wife Ann (Earl?), and sister (unproved) of our Frederick Hollingsworth.)

(3) Ralph L. Hollingsworth, 1982, Seattle, Washington.

Nov. 26 Ralph L. Hollingsworth 51, retired S/Sgt USAF, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Henson of Bothell. Brother of Pauline Maguire of Camp Springs, Md.; Rose Metz of Redmond, Oregon; Susan Henson of Bothell; Harry Hollingsworth and Darold Parrish, both of Marysville, Washington. Services November 30, 1982 2 PM at Acacia Forkner and Home Funeral Directors 15000 Bothell Way N.E. Entombment Acacia Mausoleum. Rememberances to the Heart Fund. (From the Seattle Times, courtesy of Mrs. Eileen Gray, 1913 W. Park Dr., Florence, Oregon 97439. She explains that this is her cousin, son of Dale Ruby and Vera (Parrish) Hollingsworth (of Williams, Elias Pierce, Eliass, Benjamins, Eliass, Jacobs, Thomass, Valentine, Henrys.)

MARRIAGES:

- (1) Married on the 30th October by Rev. John McKittrick, Mr. Robert H. Hollingsworth of Newton Co, Ga., to Miss Sarah, daughter of Susan and John Marbet, formerly of Newberry Dist., S.C., but now of DeKalb Co., Georgia. (From the Laurensville Weekly Herald, issue of 19 Dec 1856, from the collectionaat the South Caroliniana Library, as copied in Marriage & Death Notices from Upper South Carolina Newspapers, 1843-1865, by Brent Holcomb, G.R.S. (1977) p. 33.)
- (2) Cain, Hollingsworth engagement announced... Mr. and Mrs. Norman C. Cain of 216 Springhill Road, Clarksville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Michele Lee, to David Pierre Hollingsworth, son of Mr. & Mrs. Edward L. Hollingsworth of 43 Airstream Drive, West Carrollton. Both are graduates of Clinton-Massie High School. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend the open church wedding planned for August 27, at 5:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Sligo. A reception will follow at the home of the bride-elect's grandparents, Mr & Mrs Charles R. Ellis, of 6547 SR 380.

(3) Residing in Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. <u>David Pierre Hollingsworth</u> (Michele Lee Cain) are residing at 125 S. Beechgrove Road, following their marriage in the First Baptist Church of Sligo Aug. 27. Clarence Hollingsworth, pastor, presided at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cain of 216 Springhill Road, Clarksville. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr and Mrs Edward Hollingsworth of 43 Airstream Drive, West Carrollton. Mrs. Amy Davidson of Clarksville presented a program of music with selections including: How I Love the Lord, You Light up My Life and Nadia's Theme.

The flower girls were Kim Davidson and Amy Hollingsworth, niece of the bridegroom. Jason Hollingsworth, nephew of the bridegroom, was ring bearer. Ushers were Tab Whitaker, Bruce Turner and Brad Bennett. Assisting at the outdoor reception held near a pond on SR 380 were the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Ellis.

The newlyweds plan a trip to Arizona at a later date. Both are graduates of Clinton-Massie High School. He is an employee of the International Paper Company. (Number 2 is from the Wilmington, Ohio, News Journal Thurs. 5 Aug 1982, and (3) is from the same paper, Mon. 13 Sept. 1982. (With pictures of bride in both notices.) Courtesy of Mrs. Martha B. Hollingsworth of Jamestown, Ohio.)

BIRTHS:

Shapiro, Wendy and Neal, a daughter, Rachael Irene, on March 11 (1983). From the Santa Monica Hospital Medical Center list of births, in the Evening Outlook, Santa Monica, California, Wed. 6 Apr 1983, p. B-3, courtesy of the proud grandmother, Pat Hudson of Culver City, Ca. This child is seven generations down from our Wexford immigrant: Rachael Irene? Shapiro, Wendy (Hudson) Shapiro, Patricia Elizabeth (Hollingsworth) Hudson, Frederic Joseph Hollingsworth (of Frederick), Edward Earl, Frederick).

Entry from the Great Register of Voters, Los Angeles City, 1896:

Edward E. Hollingsworth, age 58, occupation, bandsawyer, height, 5 feet 9 inches; complexion: light; eyes, blue; hair, dark. Birthplace, Illinois. Address: 439 East 3rd Street, Los Angeles, Precinct No. 55, Ward 7, page 3. Registered 12 June 1896. Number 156 on the list. He was able to read the Constitution of the United States in English and able to write his name.

NOTES: The Great Registers were printed by State Law. About 1908 they were discontinued. Of course, only males are listed. They are unique to California. They began about 1866. Edward Earl Hollingsworth is the editor's great-grandfather, and the above Rachael Shapiro's great-great-grandfather. Great Grandad was preparing to vote in the Presidential election which made William McKinley the 25th president. We do not know Ed's affiliation, but your editor's father Harry, had been given the middle name of Harrison in 1888, the year Ben Harrison, a Republican like McKinley, was elected. Hint, hint,

Albert Adrian Jordan

North Carolina Land Grants in South Carolina - Hollingsworths.

The above is the title of a book by Brent Holcomb, G.R.S., published in 1980. The Introduction to the work explains that over 1,000 land grants were issued in North Carolina for land now in South Carolina. Years ago in HR we published proof of this in respect to Joseph Hollingsworth and his near kin. The grants are in the present South Carolina counties of Marlboro, Chesterfield, Lancaster, York, Chester, Union, Cherokee, Spartanburg, Greenville, Laurens and Newberry.

- (1) Hollinsworth, Abraham, File no. 237 (duplicate 969); Grant No. 47; Book 17, p. 40 (18, 35). Plat: Surveyed for Abraham Hollingsworth 145 acres on the south side of Broad River, on both sides of Cane Creek below his own land ... 11 August 1763, William Dickson, Surveyor, with William Hollingsworth and Robert Willson, chain bearers, Issued 15 Feb 1764. Granted in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. (The land was in Union District, South Carolina, eventually Ed.)
- (2) Wilson, Robert, File 239 (971) Grant 49, Book 17, p. 41 (18, 35). Plat: Surveyed for Robert Wilson 100 acres on south side of Broad River on a branch of Cane Creek including the place where Caled Dowd formerly lived, adjoining JOSEPH HOLLINGSWORTH ... 10 August 1763, William Dickson, Surveyor, with William Hollingsworth and Abraham Hollingsworth, chain bearers, issued 14 Feb 1764.
- (3) Cook, Isaac, file 1644 (1130):Grant 1024; Book 15,p. 12 (13, 12) 250 acres on south side of Broad River on Cane Creek adjoining JOSEPH HOLONSWORTH (sic) Land ... 17 May 1754 Matt Rowan. Anson County.
- (4) Cox, Thomas, file 911 (279); Grant 659; Book 10, p. 416 (2,95) 400 acres on south side Broad River on (Cain) Creek about 12 miles below JOSEPH HOLLINGSWORTH's survey ... 23 Feb 1754 Matt Rowan (Anson County grant). All these seem to be in one neighborhood in Union Co.

See our early Union County, South Carolina Hollingsworth records series, published in the first several years of HR. These men belong to the family of Joseph Hollingsworth and wife Martha Houghton.

The Wilkes County Georgia Papers

- (1) Jacob Hollingsworth, 100 acres, Security Jos. Maddock 12.
- (2) Thos. Holinsworth, 100 acres, Security Jos. Maddock 52.

From book by above title, page 8. Page 7 shows that it is from entries in the Public Record Office, Chancery Lane, London, by the Commissioners for amount of sundry allotments of the ceded lands, dated 27 Sept 1773. Robert Scott Davis, Jr. (1979). These lands are in Georgia, and the above Jacob probably is the son of Samuel 3 and Barbara (Shewin) Hollingsworth. We are not sure who Thomas is, for Jacob's son was not of age, who bore that name. One more scrap, one more piece of the genealogical puzzle. (On the other hand, this Jacob may be another man altogether.)

Who's Who in Australia?

Here's Who:

(A) Allen Hollingsworth, Member, House of Assembly for Bass, Tasmania, 1934-1942; son of William Hollingsworth of Launceston, Tasmania; born Oct. 17, 1894, in Buenos Aires, Argentina; educated in the State schools, Launceston; served in the Great War, 15th Battalion, Australian Imperial Force, 1914-1919, including Gallipoli Landing, continuous service without wounds or sickness till Armistice Active Service 2/50 Bn. since September, 1940; Alderman, Launceston City Council since December, 1930; twice Mayor, 1933, 1934; the youngest Mayor of Launceston; married, June 30, 1921, Elizabeth, daughter of the late W. A. Owens, 2 sons; recreation: bowls; address, Launceston, Tasmania. (From Who's Who in Australia, 12th edition (1944), p. 436, col. 2, Joseph A. Alexander, editor, published by The Herald and Weekly Times, Ltd., Helbourne. There is another man, Albert Charles Hollingworth, Associated Institute of Actuaries, former Gen. Manager of the Australian Mutual Provident Society for New South Wales, referred to in the 10th edition, 1938, page 254.)

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MARRIAGE LICENCES - PART TWO

From page 31.

*(48) Jan 14, 1739/40. George Oldfield, St. Mary, Nottingham City, grocer, age 22, bachelor, & Elizabeth Hollingworth, spinster, 21; at West Bridgford or St. Mary's. (Page 396.)

*(49) June 27, 1744, George Burrows, miller, 44, widowed, & Ellen Hollingsworth, West Bridgford, 28, widow, at same. (Page 442.)

*(50) May 14, 1752. William Hollinsworth, Chilwell, parish of Attenborough, frame work knitter, age 28, bachelor, & Mary White, St. Nicholas, Nottingham, 22, spinster. At St. Nicholas. (Page 525.)

*(51) Nov. 17, 1752. Michael Carding, Oxton, gardener, 24, bachelor, & Hannah Hollingworth, St. Mary's Parish, Nottingham City, 22, spinster, at St. Nicholas. (Page 530.)

*(52) (Southwell Peculiar Licence) June 11, 1753. Joseph Bull, Halam, yeoman & Ann Hollingworth, Southwell, spinster, at Southwell.

(Vol 1, page 579.)
(53) Oct. 10, 1753. Charles Leevers, Ruddington, carpenter, 41, widower, & Elleanor Hollingworth, Cropwell Bishop, 25, spinster, at Bingham. (Page 543, Vol 2.)

*(54) (Southwell Peculiar) Aug. 10, 1763. Jedidiah Wainwright, Newstead, miller, aged above 22, & Hannah Hollingworth, Blidworth,

spinster, aged 24, at Blidworth. (Vol. 2, p. 553.)

*(55) (Southwell) July 24, 1768. Henry Pearson, St. Peter's, brassfounder, 36, & Ann Hollingworth, Oxton, spinster, 26, at Oxton. (P 557)

(56) May 13, 1769 (Southwell). James Jebb, Oxton, servant, 30, & Catherine Hollingworth, Southwell, spinster, 30, at Southwell.

Asterisks indicate actual marriage entry to be found in HR 1:130 et seq.

CONCLUDED

Are You Ready For This: Henry Hollingworth's Signature!

by.

Harry Hollingsworth, C.G., R.G.

Just before I started to type up the final stencils for this issue, I found a "plain brown envelope" in my mail slot on October 25, 1983. It contained what is published here. This should be considered a "bombshell" in the genealogy of Valentine Hollingsworth.

Months ago, in April, I sent a fee of twenty dollars to the Ulster Historical Foundation, 66 Balmoral Avenue, Belfast, Northern Ireland. This was a down payment on a search. I wanted a further search in the Blacker papers (D. 959) donated to the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland by the firm of solicitors called Carleton, Atkinson & Sloan. My previous search was reported in HR June, 1971, pp. 45-53. The three documents found are published word-for-word, in full. But in one of these the following clause was noted: "That Valentine Holinworth shall & may peaceably haue hould and enjoy all those prcells of land entred to by the sd Valentine Blacker since the late Rebelion wch was formerly set in the posesion of Henry Holinworth before the said Warr by vertue of an Article beareing date the ninth of Aprill Ano Domini 1632... My 1971 searcher did not find this article, and I concluded at the time that it simply was not in the collection. WRONG, HARRY! Twelve years later, and twelve times as cynical, I ordered the present search. My plain brown envelope contained a Xerox copy of the precious item. Moreover, it also contained a copy of a 1674 copy!

Here, I will give the text of the original item with an uncopied addendum dated 8 Jan 1632/33. I use the "true copy" of 22 Dec 1674 where the text in the original is illegible by reason of wrinkles or torn spots. If you readers want copies, send one dollar to cover cost of Xeroxing and a legal size, self-addressed, stamped envelope (allow a month for delivery).

This is a scoop for Hollingsworth Register. A great pity it is that Henry Hollingworth is not my ancestor. If only I could do the same with my own Wexford Orangemen.

The covering letter reads:

HOLLINGSWORTH 9.4965. According to your instructions the Blacker papers in the 6 boxes, ref. D 959 were examined. These boxes have not been catalogued in detail, but the major portion dates back to the 19th century. The three documents which were copied for you before (1971 HH) were found and a photostat of the 1632 item is now enclosed. This document is in rather poor condition which may make reproduction poor.

Articles of agreem^t made concluded and agred vpon/betwixte Valentyne Blacker of Carricke wthn ye/ County of Ardmagha Esq of ye one pty, and Henry/Hollingwth of Bellanacranell wthn the County - / affoaresaid yeom ef thethr pty (sic) And John Canvan (?) of ye said towne and County yeo: of thothr pty / This Nynth day of Aprill 1632.

ffirst it is agreed vpon by and betweene the sd/ pties, and the said Valentyne Blacker for him self, / his heirs & assigns doth covent and agree to and / wth the said Henry Hollingworth that he the said / Henry shall have & quietly & peaceably enion all / the lands being nowe in his occupacon, and wth heartofore / haue beene reputed as pte & p'cell of Drumandcannawey/ as they are imbounded and set forth & enioed by / the said Henry Hollingworth wth warranty against him/ the said Valentyne, his heirs & assignes, for eur. /

In Consid^racon wheareof itts agreed by and betweene all / the said p'ties and the said Henry Hollingworth and the said John / Covin doe for the selves their heirs and assigns covent / and agree & wth the said Valentyne Blacker his heirs and / assigns, that he the said Valentyne shall have quietly/ and peacably enioy to him and his heirs (sic) all that the / Wattr course runing allong from the Vpprmost pte of Bellanacrannell (Ballimacranell in 1674 copy) by the Lands of (Mr. Cope & - inserted interlined-) Rbte Vckerby call'd / Bellana(?)- (in the 1674 "true copy" this is omitted! HH) or by what names soever & soe allong unto Drummanicanwer as / farr as the lands of the said Henry & John extendeth / and that the said Valentyne with his workman & / Carryags shall have ffree lyberty to cutt and / make a suficent Wattrcourse, and to erecte and make/ a mill dam vpon the said Wattrcourse, in as large / & ample a mr as shalbe needfull for the prseruing / of the wattr for the said mill and that he shall / haue ffree librty wth his workman & carryages not onely to / erect and make the said mill dame but that he the / said Valentyne Blacker his heirs and assigns for evr shall / (turning over the document HH) have ffree egress and regress to repaire and manteine / the same and the same being made shall quietly / enioy to him and his heirs for ever wthout any title / or claime by them or either of them their heirs or assigns / in as ffree large and ample man' as they or either / of them may or hold enjoy the lands whearvpon the said mill dame is intended to be erected wth a / suffitient way att all tymes needfull (sic) for to come to or/ goe about the same att his the said Valentines will / & pleasure for to digg stones, sodds, & Clay for erecting / & repaireing the said Dam &

Dams, built or to bee built for ever It'm whearas the lands whearvpon the said mill / Dame is intended to be erected, is belonginge vnto ye/ said John Canvin in right of his wife, for and / vntill the full tearme of nyne yeares be expired / if shee live soe longe. Itts thearefore fully agreed / vpon by and between the said Henry and John / that in exchange and in satisfactione thereof the said Henry Hollingworth shall sett forth somuch other lands / wheare the said John Cavin shall thinke it most / convenient for him as shalbe of the full value of / the aff^Tsaid mill dame and watter course; att ye iudgmt of the affsd Valentine Blacker & Nicholas / Porter of Corcullentie more (1674 copy: Corcullentramore) wthn ye County affors'd Yeom.

It is agreed by & betweene the said p'ties that ev y / p'ty shall make all or any such further assurance of / the prmiss's accordinge to the true meaneing hearof In / witness wheareof the p'tes boves'd to theis p'sent / articles of agreem't putt there hands & seales the / day & yr ffirst aboue written.

Signed sealed & delivered in the prence of

Peter Gill VAL: (SEAL) BLACKER John: X Canvin
Nichs Porter
Rich X Atkinson HEN HOLLINWRTH (SEAL)* mke
mrke
Ed: X Gill (SEAL)
mrke

*A pin like a straight pin is affixed in this seal. Is it 350 years old?

The seals of Hollingworth and "Canvin" alias Cavin, are not armigerous... No Hollingworth coat of arms. Mark that! Blacker's seal is an armigerous one, with a bend like the Hollingworth coat of arms. All words underscored by me are taken from the 1674 copy. The 1674 copy is by no means a true word-for-word copy. I learnt that during this typing session! Here is the addendum:

Whearas it is intended by Valentyne Blacker of / Carricke wthin the County of Ardmaghe Esqr that / a mill shalbe erected in a towne land called DrummanicanWoi (?) wch cannot conveniently be done but / by takeing p'te of the lands of Rob't Vckerby in / lying wheare the uppr dame must be made It / is therefore agreed by and betweene the said / Valentyne Black'r and Robte Vckerby that the / said Robte shall make an assurance of soe much / lande wheare the said dame must be made (& ?) / he the said Valentyne shall stand in need of / he the said Valentyne paying soemuch money / for the inherytance theareof as shalbe thought / reason in the iudgem't of Henry Hollingworth / & Nicholas Porter two men by both p'rties indifferently / chosen In Witnes wheareoff the p'ties / aboue s'd haue putt their hands & seales the / 8th day of January - 1632.

Seal'd 'delivered In the p'sence of Val: Blacker (SEAL) Rob the H Hucerbys

Peter Gill
Richard I X Atkinson mrke. (SEAL)

The seals are typically, waxed lumps, covered with a square of paper into which the seals are impressed. The year 1630 seems to be written on top of the Blacker seal in the addenda. Hen Hollinwrth's signature is written on top of the paper seal and beyond it. On the cover of the article these inscriptions are written: "Articles wth Hen Hollingworth for Mill dame; Henry Hollingworth Articles aboves'd Myll Dam Bellanaghee; Hen Hollingworth for the mill Dame."

The Copia vera of 22d Dec 1674 is signed: This is a true Coppie Exammined/ p^r John Jones & Ralph Trewman / 22d Dec 1674 as Referries. John Jones Ra: Trewman. It is a cleaned up copy, using grammar and phraseology of the post Commonwealth period, as well as the spelling. My readers should be in little difficulty reading it, whilst the 1632 item is done in the style of the 1500s.

The 1630 Muster for Richard Cope's lands which include Henry Hollinworth, also include Robert Huckerby, Nicholas Porter, and John Carver. In my transcript in the July 1965 HR, I gave him as Carter.

Valentine Blacker was born in 1597. He is buried in Seagoe Parish Church, which he had restored in his lifetime. He died in 1677 aged eighty, 3 years after the series of documents were written. One of the witnesses to his will was Valentine Gill. His wife was Judith Harrison daughter of Sir Michael Harrison of Ballydargan. I think, but have not proved, that he was the Michael Harrison of "Magherleave," who sold the farm of Ballyvickcrannell to Valentine Holling(s)worth in 1664. (From A History of The Family of Blacker of Carrickblacker in Ireland, (1901) by Major Latham C. M. Blacker, Dublin.

The townland spellings are always a problem. The 1664 Hearth Money tax rolls (HR Oct 1965 pp. 101-104) indicate that Drumnacanvy is the townland in question above. Corcullentramore was one of the townlands granted to Sir Richard Cope the Undertaker, by the Crown. Richard Atkinson is probably a relative of Stephen and Edward Atkinson, of Ballinacor, ancestors of Lydia Atkinson, daughter-in-law of Valentine Hollingsworth.

Note the style of Henry Hollingworth's autograph: Hen Hollinwrth. This matches the style of the signatory "Hen: Holenworth" found on the Quaker marriage certificate of Allexander Mathews and Elizabeth Harding, 4th 8th month (Oct) 1671 from Lurgan Friends Book (See HR Dec 1970 pp. 127-131). Valentine's son Henry was only thirteen at that time, and all copies of his signature show he wrote it Henry Hollingsworth. Based on this evidence, and the very new "Are You Ready For This?" information published here, I am now ready to agree with my own suspicions: That the 1671 witness was either Valentine's father, or the Henry Hollinsworth who married Elizabeth Newell and settled at King Hill in County Down, Ireland, prior to 1693, who also signed "Hen: Hollinsworth." The signature on the marriage book is a clerk's copy. I am inclined to believe the man is Val's father. However, that still leaves us with the question of why Henry Hollinworth of Ballyvickcrannell, the father of Valentine, held land in 1632, but the same property there was sold to his son in 1664. The phrase in the 1674 award articles shows Henry held the land "before the Warr" (began 23 October 1641). The above was undoubtedly preserved by Blacker, not Hollingworth.

Was Henry Hollingworth murdered in the 1641 Irish Rebellion?

woll offerta agine of the frame Hill plan phix that Doy shall make all or any fill further offware of phill acrowing to the of hor on the Ent Thorosof; Ohe faid Chowny Hollingsoorth, Shall forth forth forming one 1. Said John Cantian Shall thinks doneryout for him, at shall be of full talling of the aforgard anger how, and Water rounds, at the fordant of the aforth of Baloning Blacker & Michelas Lorder of Organ Anhomore with and of the county oforth The is Agreed by & behoven the gut projer char sory zety man make, as wins Surte fuller officiante, of the Somper, Annang to the true montains meansury Rora of Sti With nos who of the ply of about to their fout de hills has gout -1 Born Bands Lo States 110 any Sycars fings rebows 10 when Glaborton: Shorton Harry Iblingworth from Contain Signor direlas & Detiches mittes promovof This is a bis Copped Grammed port gill - no port 22: For 1644 as Asformed. Birkards oft kings Dwars gill: Chypin down. Drepomane John Jours Top: The final portion of the original 1632 agreement between Valentine Blacker and Henry Hollingworth. Circled portion is autograph of Hen Hollinwrth.

Bottom: Copia Vera of 1674.

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