

THE FAMILY OF THOMAS PERRIN AT WATERINGBURY

A detailed chart of Thomas PERRIN's family is given after a brief description.

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Thomas PERRIN, a master carpenter who ran a business specialising in farm and manor house maintenance, moved to Wateringbury in 1754 when he married Elizabeth TOMLIN. They had eleven children who lived to become adults. After all the children had left home Thomas married again in 1794 to a widow named Alice SERGEANT. Fortunately there were no children from the second marriage.

Only three of Thomas' children remained in Wateringbury:

(1) William PERRIN who married Elizabeth FOWLER of East Malling, took over the family business in 1803 and they had nine children, all born in the 1780's and 1790's:

Rebecca PERRIN	1780	married John SIMMONS lived at Mereworth
Charles PERRIN	1782	married Mary BRADD see below
Elizabeth PERRIN	1784	married John FINCH lived at Aylesford
Thomas PERRIN	1787	married Catherine WICKHAM lived at Rochester
William PERRIN	1789	married ?
James PERRIN	1792	married Elizabeth VENESS lived at Hadlow
Richard PERRIN	1795	died 1814
Jane PERRIN	1797	died 1797
Henry PERRIN	1799	married Harriet PALMER lived at Sevenoaks

(2) Samuel PERRIN married Susanna WICKENDEN of East Malling and they had six children:

Mary Ann PERRIN 1790

Thomas PERRIN 1792 married Sarah lived at Milton and Shipbourne

Also he was the father of Thomas Perrin SURMAN-JENKINS who migrated to New South Wales with his mother Charlotte JENKINS.

See <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~marr/bucking.htm> and two pages at;

http://ceinternet.com.au/~mcneillc/html/the_jenkins_family_-_buckingbo.html

Samuel PERRIN 1795 married 1) Mary HOLMES 2) ?

Susanna PERRIN 1798 married Abraham REEVE see below

George PERRIN 1804

John PERRIN 1807 married Frances MITCHELL lived at Shipbourne

(3) Rebecca PERRIN married Thomas LATTEr and they had three children:

Salina LATTEr 1788

William LATTEr 1791 lived at Hoo and Wateringbury

Rebecca LATTEr 1794 died 1794

IVY COTTAGE



HIGHBURY



These two houses were leased by Thomas PERRIN in 1794 when he married his second wife. They are two halves of the same building; Ivy Cottage on the left and Highbury on the right. Thomas lived in Highbury and his son William lived in Ivy Cottage. The carpenter's yard was on the right hand side of Highbury.

William PERRIN was the parish clerk for over forty years from 1781 to 1826 and also the last Borseholder from 1791 to 1800, and the parish constable until 1826. The club known as the Borseholder is now kept on the wall of the church.



THE BORSEHOLDER

In the next generation Susanna PERRIN, the daughter of Samuel, married Abraham REEVE who was the parish clerk at Watringbury for nearly fifty years beginning in 1826. Their daughter Hannah REEVE was married in 1862 to Henry PERRIN who emigrated to Brazil and worked as a building contractor in Rio de Janeiro from 1862 until about 1900. Hannah returned to England and died at Greenwich in 1904.

CHARLES PERRIN'S HOUSE



Charles PERRIN's house has a black door on the left next to the alley for his horses. Charles lived here for over 30 years from 1817 to 1848. Charles the son of William took over the family business in 1823. He ran the business from the same carpentry yard as his father and grandfather, further along the road to the left.

Charles PERRIN married Mary BRADD and they had three children

- 1) Charles Finch PERRIN 1806 died in 1840 without having any surviving children.
- 2) William Bradd PERRIN 1810 married Lucy HEWITT. He became a tailor and moved to Sydenham.
- 3) John PERRIN 1812 married Elizabeth BEAVIS and took over the family business in Wateringbury. They had four surviving children who later lived at St Leonards, Hastings.

John Thomas PERRIN 1839	married Caroline HOLMAN
Mary Elizabeth PERRIN 1842	married Arthur COGGER
Charles PERRIN 1844	died 1846
James Henry Jenner PERRIN 1847	died 1893 unmarried
George PERRIN 1851	married Emily WATTS

THE BECK



John PERRIN the son of Charles took over the family business in 1847. He lived in one of the cottages attached to The Beck, opposite Wateringbury Church from 1842 to 1849.



VINE HOUSE

John PERRIN moved to Nettlested in 1849 and when he returned to Wateringbury in 1851 the house he moved to was, by chance, Ivy Cottage. While he was there the owners of the carpenter's yard, which John was still leasing, decided to start building a house. They never finished it so John bought the yard and completed the building himself. John moved into his own property, known as Vine House, in 1855 and remained there until he left Wateringbury in 1860. He was the last of the PERRINS to live in Wateringbury.

