

Descendants
of
William BAMBRIDGE and Sarah HANNANT
of
Tunstead, Norfolk

See BAMBRIDGE chart (a) for the
ancestry of William BAMBRIDGE

Sarah's parents were
William HANNANT
& Sarah BENSLEY
who were married in
1801 in Dilham.

Eliza's GRO marriage entry appears as Eliza PILCHER,
obviously a misreading by someone. She was baptised
Eliza daughter of William and Hannah PITCHER, but
the family appears as PITCHERS in censuses. William
was a market gardener.

Sarah's parents were Richard SPANTON, carpenter, born in Dilham,
and his wife Sarah HARMER, born in Tunstead. They were married
in Witton, near North Walsham, in 1839. On census night in 1871,
William BAMBRIDGE and his wife, Sarah, are apart, being with their
respective parents. Son Leonard is with Sarah, who is described as
dressmaker. In 1881, Sarah (status "Mar") and her son are still with
her parents, but I cannot locate William. Sarah is now a laundress.
In 1888, Sarah was remarried to William FISKE, a vermin killer,
and in 1891 the couple are with Sarah's widowed mother. William
was baptised in Tunstead in 1848, William FISK son of William &
Elizabeth. (The spelling of the FISK(E) name is variable in the
records.) His grandparents were probably Henry & Amy FISK, which
means he was nephew of John FISK (see note below on Lydia FISK).

Alfred's parents appear in 1871 as Alfred SKINNER, a miller,
and his wife Anna. Both parents were born in Stradbroke, Suffolk.
In 1861, the same Anna appears married to William SKINNER
(possibly the same person as Alfred in 1871).

Mary Ann BOYCE was born in Notting Hill and brought up in north London.
Edward BAMBRIDGE was born and brought up in Tunstead, Norfolk. She was
19 and he was 35 when they married. Edward was the much younger brother
of Mary Ann's mother Ann [BAMBRIDGE] BOYCE, and so the marriage was
between uncle and niece. The birth Edward & Mary Ann's first child,
Ann Sarah BAMBRIDGE, was registered in the quarter following that of their
marriage. The marriage and birth were both registered in Kensington. In 1881
they were at 2 Fowlers Road, West Ham with their 8 month old baby. They
later moved to Barking, Essex. See chart (e1) for Mary Ann BOYCE.

In 1918, in Barking, Marianne BAMBRIDGE married
William Edward BYRON of Kaiapoi, Canterbury, New Zealand.
Much later, in 1943, in Invercargill, New Zealand,
Edith Ellen BAMBRIDGE married Charles Philip BYRON
of Waikaia, Southland, New Zealand.
Edward BYRON and Charles Philip BYRON were brothers.
This was Charles's second marriage, his first being to
Rose REINKE in 1909, in McNab, Gore, New Zealand.
This information has come to me from contact and relative
Susan Tucky of New Zealand.

Lydia FISKE's mother was Frances BLAKE born in Tunstead in about 1834.
Frances married John FISK in 1851 in Tunstead. He was born about 1832 in
Tunstead, son of Henry & Amy FISK. (The spelling of the FISK(E) name is
variable in the records.) In 1861, Frances and her 4 children John (12),
Ann (8), Robert (4), and Emma FISKE (2), are with Frances's parents (Isaac
and Maria BLAKE), in Tunstead. Frances's husband is not there. In 1871,
Frances is in the house of brick maker Edward ELVIN (42) in Tunstead,
and described as "Housekeeper - left her husband". She has with her children -
Anna (18), Robert (15), Emma (13), and Lydia FISK (7), plus 3 further
children - Maria (4), George (2), and Matthew FISK (7 mo), who are described
in the Occupation column as "Illegitimate". I think this epithet should also
apply to Lydia, because her baptism record in Tunstead registers
(1864 July 17) reads "Lydia Kate FISK daughter of Frances FISK - father not
given", and her birth was registered (1864 March qtr Tunstead r-d) as
Lydia ELWIN. She married as Lydia FISKE. So it appears that, although
Lydia had the surname FISK(E), she was not actually related to the man who
became her husband's step-father (see note above on Sarah SPANTON).

This family is
continued from
chart (e1)

