
William Michael HAWES (c. 1835-c. 1897)

1. **William Michael HAWES**, son of Michael HAWES (c. 1788-1870) and Maria Eliza UNKNOWN (c. 1806-c. 1872), was born c. 1835 in Thorpe-Le-Soken, Essex. He was baptised on 7 Apr 1835 in Thorpe-Le-Soken. He appeared in the census in 1841 at Thorpe Street in Thorpe, Essex - 6, living with parents Michael (50, draper) and Maria (35), siblings Maria (5), Henry (3), Jane (2) and Emily (11 mos), 4 drapers business workers, and Martin COOK (14, male servant). He appeared in the census in 1851 at Station Road in Ardleigh, Essex - 16, apprentice to master miller, lodging in the household of Zachariah WARREN (widow, 55, master miller employing 5 men). In 1858 the Electoral Register showed him living in Diss, Norfolk - freehold house and garden on The Common. William appeared in the census in 1861 at Norwich Road in Diss - 25, miller, living with domestic servant Catherine GARRARD (17). In 1865 the Electoral Register showed him living in Diss - freehold house and garden on Victoria Road. On 6 Jul 1867 there was a newspaper report in the Norwich Mercury:

STEALING FOWLS AT DISS

Thomas Colman (17), fowl dealer, and Jeremiah Colman (60), gardener, were charged with stealing nine ducks, of the value of 11s., the property of William Michael Hawes, at Diss, on the 8th May. As the younger prisoner pleaded guilty, Mr. Mayd, who held the brief for the prosecution, withdrew the charge against the old man, he being of the opinion that if the case went to the jury there would be no conviction. Jeremiah Colman was accordingly acquitted, and the young man sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

William appeared in the census in 1871 at Victoria Road in Diss - unmarried, 36, miller and merchant and commissioning agent, living alone. He married **Mary A ELLIS** on 22 Aug 1872 - reg: Shoreditch London. In the 1873 England and Wales Return of Owners of Land he owned land in Norfolk - living in Diss, Norfolk; land area A.4 R.2 P.2 (1.83 hectares); rentable value £69 10s. In 1876 the Electoral Register showed him living in Diss - dwelling house (successive) on Mount Street Road and Church Street. In the London Gazette on 7 Sep 1880 the following notice appeared:

The Bankruptcy Act, 1869.

In the County of Suffolk, holden at Ipswich.

In the Matter of Proceedings for Liquidation by arrangement or Composition with Creditors, instituted by William Michael Hawes, of Diss, in the County of Norfolk, Miller.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the First General Meeting of the creditors of the above-named person has been summoned to be held at the King's Head Hotel, Diss, in the County of Norfolk, on the 23rd day of September, 1880, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon precisely. - Dated this 2nd day of September, 1880.

E. THOMPSON SMITH,

Solicitor for the said William Michael Hawes.

William appeared in the census in 1881 at 5 Sunny Side Mount Road in Diss - 44, ale and porter merchant, living with wife Mary A (37), sons William H (6, scholar) and Ernest E (2), and domestic servant Elizabeth STANNARD (13). He appeared in the census in 1891 at 26 Chevallier Street in Ipswich, Suffolk - 50, general commissioning agent, living with wife Mary A (44), sons William H (16, clerk in clothing factory office) and Ernest E (12, scholar), and nephew Harry E BAKER (21, draper's assistant). He died c. 1897 - reg: Ipswich Suffolk. He was buried on 11 Mar 1897 in Ipswich. On 29 Dec 1911 there was a newspaper report in the The Diss Express and Norfolk and Suffolk Journal naming William Michael:

1873 Domesday Person

MARRIAGES

HAWES - RICHARDS. - December 26th, at St. Mark's Church, Peterborough, by the Rev. R. E. Roberts, M.A., William Henry Hawes, eldest son of William Michael Hawes (late of Diss, Norfolk), to Lydia Alice Richards, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Richards, of Gladstone St., Peterborough.

Mary A ELLIS, daughter of Isreal ELLIS (c. 1821-c. 1880) and Charlotte UNKNOWN (c. 1824-c. 1895), was born c. 1845 in Shelfanger, Norfolk. She died c. 1908. She and William Michael HAWES had the following children:

- +2 William H HAWES (c. 1875-)
- +3 Ernest E HAWES (c. 1879-c. 1953)

Second Generation

2. **William H HAWES**, son of William Michael HAWES and Mary A ELLIS, was born c. 1875 in Diss, Norfolk. He married **Lydia Alice RICHARDS** on 26 Dec 1911. On 29 Dec 1911 there was a newspaper report in the The Diss Express and Norfolk and Suffolk Journal:

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3. **Ernest E HAWES**, son of William Michael HAWES and Mary A ELLIS, was born c. 1879 in Diss. He died c. 1953.