

## FreeCEN Newsletter – February 2025

Hello All

Welcome to the newsletter for the month, and 74 new pieces have been added to the website since the last edition, around 183,000 entries between these pieces. Details at the end of this newsletter.

These newsletters are sent on a monthly basis, and the next one is due to be sent out around March 7th.

Contributions are welcome, and all received are considered. These should be emailed to [chris.mahoney@freeukgenealogy.org.uk](mailto:chris.mahoney@freeukgenealogy.org.uk)

## **Born at the Battle of Waterloo**

(From Ian Robertson)

A colleague has pointed out an interesting census place-of-birth entry. A 75 year old man says he was born "on the plains of Waterloo (Belgium)". Age-wise it fits with the battle in June 1815.

23	Do	1	John Dean	Head	M	54	Railway Traffic Inspector	X	Do	Patley
			Emily Do	Wife	M	48			Do	Tunstall
			George Do	Son	S	21	Railway Ticket-Collector	X	Do	Patley
			Emily Do	Daughter	S	20			Do	Do
			Herbert Do	Son		15	Apprentice Engine Fitter	X	Do	Do
			Joseph Do	Son		10	Scholar		Do	Shelton
			Elizabeth Do	Daughter		8	Do		Do	Do
24	London Rd	1	Joseph Wyatt	Widower	M	75	No Occupation (past work)		Do	Plains of Waterloo
			Herbert Marshall	Head	M	24	Farmer	X	Do	Cheshire

(Extract of 1891 Piece RG12\_2848)

Question raised here is it really possible that military personal included their families when deployed somewhere including battle zones. Answer turns it yes, it is possible. The website at <https://www.napoleon-series.org/resources/bibliographies/british-memoirs-of-the-napoleonic-wars/military-wives-and-families/> details samples of military personal being deployed with their families.

This is supported by the following engraving done by George T Doo, Historical Engraver to the Queen in 1847.



Title of painting is "The Convalescent from Waterloo" with abstract recorded as "Soldier sitting on log with wife and daughter ----"

Had a good at finding out more about Joseph Myatt with limited success. Checking both the 1861, and 1871 census, found just one Joseph Myatt born at the right time on each one, but place of birth had moved about 120 kms west to the town of Cambrey (Cambrai) in France.

1891...	1871...	1891...	1871...	1891...	1871...	1891...	1871...	1891...	1871...
1	Joseph Myatt	Hood	Man	55	Pott: Saggaw Maker	Lancs - Cambrey	B. I.		
	Emma Do	Wife	"	55		Staffs Tunstale			
	Emily Do	Daughter	"	28	" Painter	" Do			
	Joseph Do	Son	"	25	" Saggaw Maker	" Do			
	Henry Do	"	"	19	" Moved "	" Do			
	Ellen Do	Daughter	"	14	" Painter	" Do			

(Extract of 1871 Piece RG10\_1873)

Going further back, we have Joseph on the 1851 census (HO107\_2002), place of birth has changed again, this time it is enumerated as Tunstead, Staffordshire in England.

FreeBMD records marriage of Joseph to Emma Durber September Quarter of 1838 in Wolstanton, Staffordshire. Was not able to locate anything else about Joseph that would help identify where he came from. FreeREG however did have a likely baptism for Emma Durber, baptised 17 January 1819 in Burslem, Staffordshire, and it stated that her father was a potter, same occupation as Joseph's



## **FreeCEN Vacancies**

Interested in becoming one of our county coordinators, then this is for you as we have some roles that we would like to fill. Experience at transcribing, and proofreading for FreeCEN is preferable. Help, and support is available if needed.

We have the following vacancies at present:

### **Nottingham:**

County has five years fully transcribed, with a sixth only needing a few pieces proofread before that one is complete. There is a small number of transcribers working on the remaining two years. We do have scans we can give you, and the existing coordinator is available to assist with the transition as needed.

### **Sussex:**

County has no coordinator at present, and has been vacant for a while, so no active transcribers at this time. Three years are fully transcribed, with another close to it. Some of the uploaded pieces however do need re-validating (but we may already have some to do these re-validations). We do have scans we can supply you with.

Interested in taking on these counties, or would like to know more, then do let us know.

## Pieces Uploaded Since Last Newsletter

County	Year	Piece	Location	Civil Parishes	Number of Entries
Aberdeenshire	1841	HS4_183	Craithie and Braemar		1,709
Argyllshire	1871	RS7_525	Lismore and Appin	Appin, Glencoe-Ballachulish, Lismore	1,524
Berkshire	1891	RG12_988	Bucklebury	Aldermaston, Beenham, Bradfield, Padworth, Streatley, Ufton Nervet	2,536
Caernarvonshire	1891	RG12_4667	Bangor	Aber, Bangor, Llanfairfechan, Rhyd y groes, Treborth Uchaf	8,062
Cambridgeshire	1881	RG11_1672	Linton	Bartlow, Castle Camps, Great Abington, Hadstock, Hildersham, Linton, Little Abington, Shudy Camps	4,540
Cambridgeshire	1881	RG11_1682	Haddenham	Aldreth, Haddenham, Hill Row, Linden End, Stretham, Thetford, Wilburton	3,669
Cambridgeshire	1891	RG12_1308	Walsoken	Elm, Friday Bridge	1,805
Derbyshire	1861	RG9_1958A	Tutbury	Barton Blount, Church Broughton, Egginton, Hargate Manor, Marston upon Dove(Hatton;Hilton;Hoon;Marston-upon-Dove), Scropton(Foston;Scropton), Sutton on the Hill(Sutton-on-the-Hill)	2,977
Dorset	1861	RG9_1324A	Mere	Gillingham, (Bourton), Silton	1,240
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4495	Falmouth	Falmouth	829
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4496	Penzance	Penzance	190
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4497	Bridgwater	Bridgwater	151

England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4498	Bristol	Bristol	681
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4499	Grimsby	Grimsby	202
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4500	Gainsborough	Gainsborough	140
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4501	Runcorn	Runcorn	670
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4502	Birkenhead	Birkenhead	264
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4503	Liverpool	Liverpool	886
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4504	Liverpool	Liverpool	656
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4505	Liverpool	Liverpool	196
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4506	Liverpool	Liverpool	1,269
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4507	Liverpool	Liverpool	703
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4508	Barrow	Barrow	132
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4509	Goole	Goole	404
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England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4510	Hull	Hull	
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4511	Hull	Hull	187
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4512	Hull	Hull	683
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4513	Middlesbrough	Middlesbrough	280
England Wales Shipping	1861	RG9_4514	Hartlepool	Hartlepool	777
Essex	1861	RG9_1073	Grays	Aveley, Grays Thurrock, Little Thurrock, North Ockendon, South Ockendon, Stifford, West Thurrock(Purfleet)	5,803
Essex	1861	RG9_1098	Colchester First Ward	Berechurch, Colchester Berechurch, Colchester Holy Trinity, Colchester St Giles, Colchester St Mary at the Walls	5,311
Essex	1871	RG10_1716A	Sudbury	Ballingdon cum Brundon, Great Henny, Little Henny, Middleton	1,366
Glamorganshire	1871	RG10_5388	Gelligaer	Gelligaer, (Cefn; Garthgynid; Hengoed;Y sgwyddgwyn)	2,480
Gloucestershire	1871	RG10_2648	Fairford	Ampney Crucis, Ampney St Mary, Ampney St Peter, Barnsley, Down Ampney, Fairford, Hatherop, Kempsford(Horcus;Whelford), Maisey Hampton, Poulton, Quenington	5,838
Gloucestershire	1901	RG13_2389	Bristol St George	Bristol	8,867
Kent	1871	RG10_875	Bromley	Cudham, Down, Hayes, Keston, Knockholt, West Wickham	4,533
Lancashire	1861	RG9_2859	Worsley	Eccles, (Stand; Walkden; Worsley)	5,423
Lancashire	1891	RG12_2979	Walton	Walton on the Hill	7,431
Lancashire	1891	RG12_3321	Royton	Haggate, Holden Fold, Royton	5,001



Lancashire	1891	RG12_3344	Whitworth	Shawforth, Spotland, Whitworth	2,297
Lincolnshire	1861	RG9_2366	Horncastle	Horncastle	3,223
Lincolnshire	1871	RG10_3380	Horncastle	Horncastle	3,343
Lincolnshire	1871	RG10_3393A	Spilsby	Aswardby, Bolingbroke, Dalby, Hareby, Harrington, Hundley, Langton by Spilsby, Mavis Enderby, Partney, Raithby, Sausthorpe, Skendleby, Toynton All Saints, Toynton St Peter, West Keal	2,170
Middlesex	1861	RG9_796	Edmonton	Edmonton, (Bury Street; Church Street; Fore Street; Lower Edmonton; Upper Edmonton)	4,790
Norfolk	1891	RG12_1308A	Walsoken	Emneth, Walsoken	3,756
Oxfordshire	1891	RG12_988A	Bucklebury	Goring	1,506
Somerset	1851	HO107_1922	Pitminster	Angersleigh, Bickenhall, Corfe, Orchard Portman, Otterford, Pitminster (Blagdon; Duddlestone; Fulford; Leigh; Pondisford; Trendle), Staple Fitzpaine, Thurlbear, Trull	2,385
Somerset	1901	RG13_2337	Bathwick	Bathampton, Claverton, Combe Down, Monkton Combe	2,765
Somerset	1911	RG14_14250	Taunton	Taunton St James Within, Taunton St Mary Magdalen Within, Taunton St Mary Magdalene Within	903
Somerset	1911	RG14_14251	Bishops Lydeard	Bishops Lydeard	541
Somerset	1911	RG14_14252	Bishops Lydeard	Bishops Lydeard	423
Somerset	1911	RG14_14253	Bishops Lydeard	Bishops Lydeard, Cothelstone	322
Somerset	1911	RG14_14254	Bishops Lydeard	Halse, Heathfield	379
Somerset	1911	RG14_14255	Bishops Lydeard	Ash Priors, Combe Florey	386

Somerset	1911	RG14_14256	Bishops Lydeard	Lydeard St Lawrence, Tolland	218
Somerset	1911	RG14_14257	Bishops Lydeard	Lydeard St Lawrence	275
Somerset	1911	RG14_14258	Bishops Lydeard	West Bagborough	318
Somerset	1911	RG14_14259	Bishops Lydeard	Norton Fitzwarren	630
Staffordshire	1861	RG9_1958	Tutbury	Hanbury, (Hanbury), Rolleston(Anslow)	900
Staffordshire	1861	RG9_1984	Tettenhall	Codsall, Tettenhall	5,975
Staffordshire	1891	RG12_2364A	Harbourne		8,511
Suffolk	1871	RG10_1716	Sudbury	Chilton, Great Cornard, Little Cornard, Sudbury (All Saints; St Bartholomew; St Gregory; St Peter)	9,036
Warwickshire	1841	HO107_1145	Birmingham	Birmingham, (St Peter)	14,322
Wiltshire	1861	RG9_1324	Mere	Mere, (Chaddenwicke; Mere Town; Woodlands; Zeals), Sedgehill	2,580
Wiltshire	1861	RG9_1785A	Fairford	Marston Maisey	215
Wiltshire	1871	RG10_1891	Malmesbury Western	Malmesbury, (Abbey;Burton Hill;Corston;St Paul;West Park), Westport St Mary	2,849
Wiltshire	1871	RG10_1895	Castle Combe	Nettleton, (Burton), North Wraxall(Ford;Mountain Bower), West Kington(Mountain Bower)	1,452
Wiltshire	1871	RG10_1897	Corsham	Corsham	3,444
Wiltshire	1871	RG10_1908	Bishops Cannings	All Cannings, (Allington; Etchilhampton), Alton Barnes, Bishops Cannings, Stanton St Bernard	1,804

Wiltshire	1871	RG10_1948	Alderbury	Earldoms, Landford, West Dean (East Grimstead), Whiteparish (Covesfield; The Common)	1,623
Wiltshire	1871	RG10_1953	Salisbury	Salisbury or New Sarum, (St Thomas)	2,282
Wiltshire	1871	RG10_2648A	Fairford	Marston Maisey	179
Wiltshire	1891	RG12_2030A	Tebury	Ashley, Long Newnton	407
Yorkshire - West Riding	1891	RG12_3679	Wortley	Farnley, Wortley	6,807

#### Important Notes:

- If the piece number has a letter after it, then this suggests that the upload only contains particular districts within the piece, not all districts that make up the piece

#### **FreeCEN1**

The last reported update to our old website at <https://freecen1.freecen.org.uk/> took place on July 6th 2021. Further updates to this website have, as of now been discontinued, and as of now, any new uploads of completed pieces will take place on FreeCEN2 only.

It is expected that, at some point the old website will be taken off-line.