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Goodship family

This family came from Lilley but later lived in or around Whitwell in the parish of St Pauls Walden. GEORGE GOODSHIP was baptized 2 April 1780 at St Pauls Walden and buried there 15 May 1833 aged 56. He married SARAH CAIN 14 September 1811. Their children include two brothers whose families established strong connections with Wheathampstead.

1. WILLIAM GOODSHIP was baptized 15 December 1811 at Saint Pauls Walden and died in 1868. He married FRANCES (FANNY) WELLS in 1837. They lived at Whitwell and their children were all baptized at Saint Pauls Walden: a. CHARLES GOODSHIP baptized 15 August 1841 married SARAH TODD 18 November 1865 at Saint Pauls Walden. The family lived in Whitwell although in 1881 a widowed Charles is found with his brother-in-law at Islington. b. LYDIA GOODSHIP baptized 19 January 1845 had a daughter EMMA GOODSHIP in 1864 and may have married WILLIAM WALDOCK at Luton in 1865. c. WILLIAM GOODSHIP was baptized 9 December 1849. He married EMMA HENLEY at Wheathampstead 25 September 1869 and they lived in Gustard Wood. Emma died aged 36 in 1887 and by 1891 William and the three youngest children are found in Hitchin Union Workhouse. William died aged 50 in 1899. Their children were all born in Wheathampstead but none seem to have stayed there: i. ADA GOODSHIP was baptized 14 January 1871. She probably died in 1887. ii. ARTHUR GOODSHIP was baptized 28 January 1872. He was a colliery stoker in Ilkestone, Derbyshire, in 1891 and a soldier on furlough in 1901. iii. CHARLES GOODSHIP was born about 1874. He was a coal pit lad in Ilkestone, Derbyshire, in 1891 and a coal miner at Nottingham in 1901. iv. ALICE SARAH GOODSHIP was baptized 25 February 1877. She was training for domestic service in 1891. v. ALBERT GOODSHIP baptized 27 April 1879 married ADA ELIZABETH NEEDHAM (later Morrison) in 1907. Albert served for 8 years in the 2nd Battalion, the Bedfordshire Regiment. He was killed aged 37 on 14 July 1915 and was then a private with the 1st/4th Bn., the Lincolnshire Regiment. vi. ELIZABETH GOODSHIP was baptized 28 August 1881. She probably died in 1881. vii. EMMA GOODSHIP was baptized 27 August 1882. She was a lace worker in Nottingham in 1901. viii. ALFRED GOODSHIP was baptized 29 March 1885. He was an errand lad at Nottingham in 1901. d. MARGARET GOODSHIP was baptized 29 November and buried 9 December 1849 aged 3 weeks at Saint Pauls Walden. e. MARGARET GOODSHIP was baptized 5 May 1851. She married ARTHUR SLOUGH 6 February 1869 at Wheathampstead and they lived at Gustard Wood. f. FANNY GOODSHIP was baptized 2 December 1855. She married WILLIAM CARTER 2 October 1875 at Wheathampstead and they lived at Gustard Wood.

2. GEORGE GOODSHIP was born about 1815 at St. Paul's Walden and was buried 20 February 1859 at Welwyn. He married Hannah Armitage from Welwyn 2 February 1840. They lived at Woolmer Green, Welwyn. Their children are: a. GEORGE GOODSHIP baptized 24 October 1841. He married ANN CHERRY 28 April 1866 at Welwyn. Seven of their children were born in Welwyn but they left the area and from 1881 are found in Luton where three more children were born. Three of their sons were killed in action during the Great War. b. JAMES GOODSHIP was baptized 29 June 1845 and married MARY ANN SELL in 1868. c. MARY ANN GOODSHIP was baptized 27 May 1849. d. ANN GOODSHIP was baptized 31 March 1852. e. JOHN GOODSHIP was baptized 13 April 1853

and died the same year. f. AMOS GOODSHIP was baptized 3 January 1855 and died the same year. g. CHARLES GOODSHIP was born 25 September 1857 at Woolmer Green and baptised 8 November 1857 at Welwyn. He married SARAH SUSAN BRIARS 24 December 1883 at Baldock. They lived in Welwyn, Codicote and Brocket Lemsford. Of their eight children, at least three found spouses in Wheathampstead: i. HAROLD EDWARD GOODSHIP was born in 1887 at Welwyn. He married ANNIE ELIZA ODELL 27 December 1917 at Islington. He was a gardener and his 1919 discharge papers give his address as Dyke Nurseries, Wheathampstead. ii. EDWARD GEORGE GOODSHIP was born 10 February 1890 at Codicote and died in 1974 at Brockham, Surrey. He married BERTHA NAOMI ANSELL 22 April 1916 at Wheathampstead. He was a police constable and my maternal grandfather. iii. ARCHIBALD CHARLES GOODSHIP was born in 1892 at Codicote. He married KATE KING from Wheathampstead in 1916. He was also a police constable. iv. LEWIS GOODSHIP was born in 1894 at Brocket Lemsford. He married ADA MUNT from Wheathampstead in 1923. He too was a police constable. h. MERCY GOODSHIP was baptized 13 March 1859. She died aged 21 in 1880.