

My father and Mary - Mary was about ten years older.

A lady friend who wanted to marry my father, but he didn't ever want to remarry!



My father's letter about his will in 1999
This is the only will where he addresses his gender bias

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Dear Hilary,

Because of the death of my sister, I have needed to revise my Will. The solicitor who drew up the Will and holds it is; Miller Parris, 3 Cricketers Parade, Broadwater, Worthing, West Sussex BN14 8JB Phone 01903 205771 This is a well recommended firm of solicitors who I feel would carry out the instructions properly.

In the past I have nominated the Solicitor as Executor. But it has occurred to me that this would leave the solicitor in full control. So I have now nominated you and John as joint executors. You can ask the solicitor to administer the Will. But you will be in control. It is quite legal for beneficiaries to also be executors.

There is also the advantage that John may be tied to his job and be unable to stay over here long enough to deal with things. Hopefully, you would be able to do so. You will need to use the solicitor, it would be impossible for you to do it alone, but I am sure that you are well able to work in conjunction with the solicitor to keep the costs down. There will unfortunately be fairly heavy Death Duties taxation to pay. The solicitor should look for ways of keeping this down. There are of course sufficient funds to cover your fares and expenses.

I do not anticipate shuffling off yet. But one must be realistic.

Love,

Dad

My neighbours at 56 Grand Ave, Rose and Eric Trollope are 01903 762563 They hold a key to my house.

Mary Holmes is about a mile away. She is 01903 751677 She also holds a key to my house.

Chateau De Lornay, Loire Valley, Central France

My father had rather grandiose notions, thinking he could be a direct descendant of Bernard Rene Jourdan, Marquis de Launay (1740-1789)

It seems that Bernard was married twice, but only had daughters and any carrying on the family name would be through a brother or cousin. This means that the line could go back to the father, a previous Bastille governor; or even further back. If there is any relationship at all!

Subject: Delaunay

Date: 26, March 2009 Thursday

Hello Hilary,

I will be posting to you copies of Louis's marriage certificate and death certificate as well as a copy of Felicia's marriage certificate (*he never did send any of them*). I will be doing the same thing for John.

July 14 1789 : Mons. de L, Aulnay, governor of the Bastille, falls a victim to the fury of the assailants.

Louis Felix Armand Delaunay [*gt gt grandfather*] was born in France 1823. He was found guilty of revolutionary activities and deported to a French penal colony, probably French Guiana. With a group of others, he escaped in a sailing ship to England, where he settled.

He married Mary Day on 10 October 1859. He would have been 36. So he probably arrived in England about 1850, giving him a few years to settle before marrying. About a year later they had a daughter, Felicia Ellen Delaunay. In 1877 she married Walter Charles Boyce.

Louis Delaunay died in 1905, aged 82. Louis was my father, A grandfather. My father described him as a very gifted man. He was an artist. On the wall of his home was a painting by Louis of the ship on which he had escaped to England. My father, as a lad would go to buy him the French newspaper , 'Paris Soir,'

Louis said that he received a life pension from the French Republican Government but could not return to France because he was an escaped criminal. He also made a living decorating people, A homes.

The fact that he painted the ship is very significant. He could only have done that in England after acquiring a dwelling and the equipment to do a painting. The ship must have been in harbour. A sailing vessel would be too complicated to paint from memory. London was a very busy port. They could have berthed in the Thames. Louis lived around Twickenham which is not far from the Thames. So who owned the ship? The group of escapers could not bring a stolen ship into an English port.

They could be hung as pirates. The implication is that they had money to buy the ship in the penal colony. Or that they were supplied with a ship by an organisation in France. It looks as if the escape was a well organised affair with a bit of bribery. Louis must have had access to money when he arrived in England. I would love to know the whole story.

I have studied as much as I can about the French Revolution. It started in 1789 with the storming of the Bastille. It went through many phases with many different groups guillotining each other, as well as beheading the Bourbon monarchs. Napoleon Bonaparte took over with the army. He brought stability to France and introduced laws which still remain. But he was too ambitious, made himself Emperor and invaded most of Europe.

After Waterloo he surrendered to the British who sent him to St. Helena to live in luxury until he died.. The Bourbon monarchy was restored in France.

There was still a lot of revolting and another republic was established with another Bonaparte as President. This was in 1848 He then made himself a monarch and became Napoleon III. There never was a Napoleon II. It was during these troubled times that Louis Delaunay was arrested and sent to a penal colony, probably with other conspirators. Napoleon III over reached himself and declared war on Prussia. The Prussians captured him at the battle of Sedan. They allowed him to go into exile in England. The 3rd Republic was proclaimed in France in 1871.

So Louis Delaunay and Napoleon III were both in exile in England. Not far apart, Louis in Twickenham and Nap in Chislehurst, both around London. But Nap III died in 1873 aged 64. Louis D lived on until 1905 aged 82.

The name Delaunay is interesting. The Revolution began in 1789 with the storming of the Bastille. And who do you think was Governor of the Bastille? The Marquis de Lornay! Lornay is a village in eastern France. He probably had an estate there. So that is where the name came from.

The crowd seized the Marquis and stabbed him to death. They hacked off his head, stuck it onto a pike and paraded it around Paris. So you can say that your ancestor was Governor of the Bastille. But he came to a sticky end!

By Louis D's time the "de" had been incorporated into the name. The "de" is "of" in French and implies aristocracy, not favoured in France.



Walter Boyce came from Ireland. The name Boyce comes from the French Bois, meaning Wood. When William Duke of Normandy invaded and conquered England in 1066 he would have sent some of his soldiers to incorporate Ireland. So Boyce in various spellings is common in Ireland.

Mercy dash to Worthing hospital March 10th 2013

I intended to stay a minimum of 3 weeks, or a maximum of 6 months
I bought a ticket that was able to be changed to accommodate this.

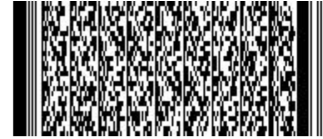
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PASSENGER AND TICKET INFORMATION

PASSENGER NAME	FARQUHAR/HILARYMRS	FREQUENT FLYER	EK268234831/BLUE
E-TICKET NUMBER	176 2172077116	BOOKING REFERENCE	IV46QS
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TRAVEL INFORMATION

FLIGHT	DEPART/ARRIVE	AIRPORT/TERMINAL	CHECK-IN OPENS	CLASS	COUPON VALIDITY	
EK 423 CONFIRMED	10 MAR 13 1510	PERTH (PER) TERMINAL T1	10 MAR 13 1210	ECONOMY SEAT 31 D	NOT BEFORE	10 MAR 13
	10 MAR 13 2210	DUBAI INTNL (DXB) TERMINAL 3		BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE 30KGS	NOT AFTER	10 MAR 13
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	11 MAR 13 0635	LONDON GATWICK (LGW) TERMINAL N		BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE 30KGS	NOT AFTER	11 MAR 13
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	30 MAR 13 1735	PERTH (PER)		BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE 30KGS	NOT AFTER	30 MAR 13

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Snow in Spring!

I was assured before I left that it was spring in England! This is looking outside from the Chatsworth hotel in Worthing.

It was treacherous and impossible to walk to the hospital, which had been my original intention.



The French Hospital Almshouse Rental Accommodation for Huguenot descendants

Because it had French connections, I wanted my father to consider this as an alternative to becoming dependent on his granddaughter. I predicted that he would not survive another year unless he remained independent. Sadly, he only survived another 11 months from self induced starvation and pneumonia



See the resulting conversations of my father [disinheriting me](#)