

# GENEALOGY VI EXTRA-ORDINARY STRATEGIES

## EVIDENCE WAITING : Ways to ensure you stay on your family tree.

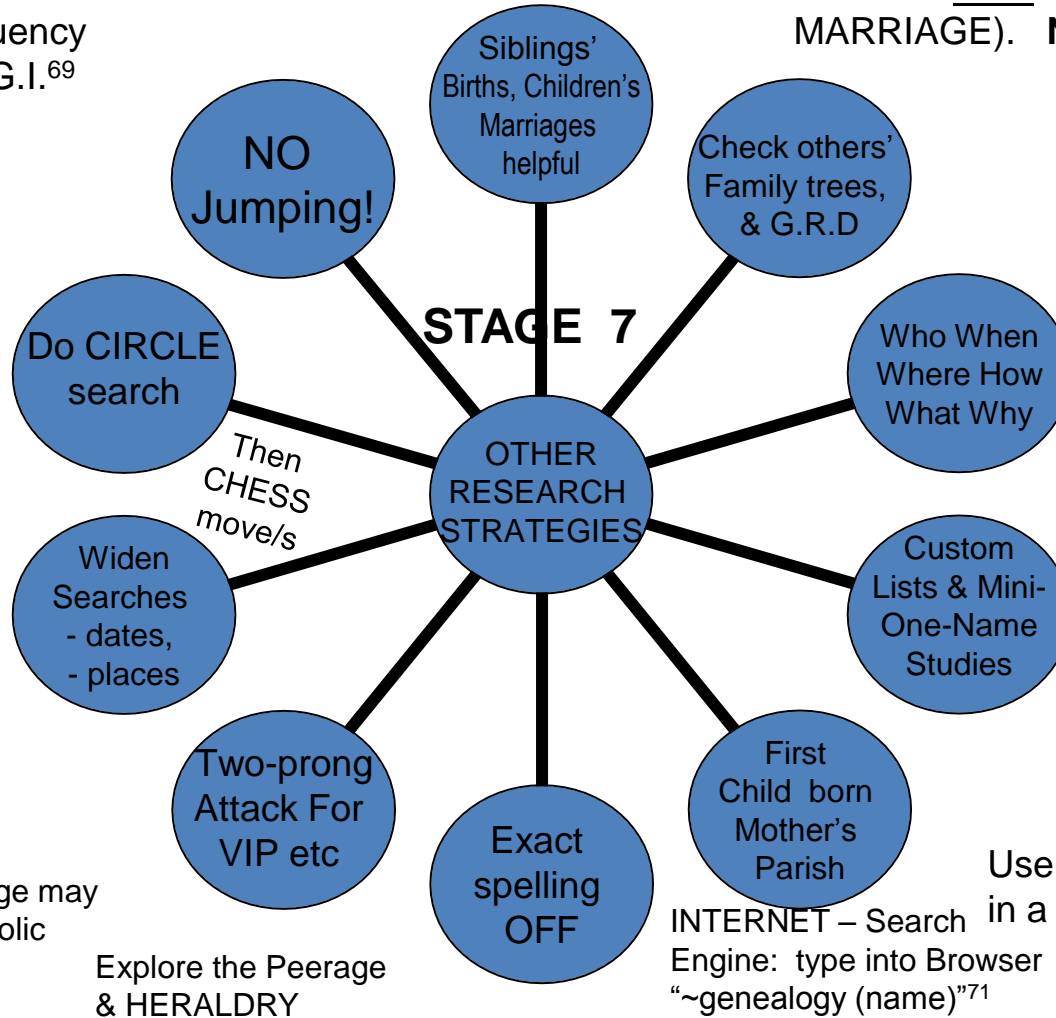
Check counties or countries for frequency of surname, e.g. I.G.I.<sup>69</sup>

A FIRST CHILD WAS BORN in the mother's parish, i.e. child's grandmother was midwife. If dead (or unavailable), then older sister or aunt was midwife, i.e. check their parishes.

BEWARE Casual Attitudes 1800s<sup>69</sup>

A Registry Office marriage may be Catholic to Non-Catholic

Find & talk to people 'with expertise' on a region, or a subject. [WDYTYR]



Explore the Peerage & HERALDRY

INTERNET – Search Engine: type into Browser “~genealogy (name)”<sup>71</sup>

SERIOUS GENEALOGY  
To find next BIRTH (OR MARRIAGE). **No jumping!**

Like the JIGSAW puzzle  
Two-prong attack<sup>69</sup>  
Edge, and centre detail of the puzzle, e.g. your family tree, and the V.I.P . Or any 'finds' found by Browsing, or 'on the spot' (circumstantial), or 'jumping' to another region or country

Read local history, migration patterns, occupations

Exact spelling OFF  
Use SOUNDEX + Shape<sup>70</sup>

Use the phone to verify – in a descendant search

# GENEALOGY VI RESEARCH: SIFTING AND SORTING

## EVIDENCE WAITING : Ways to look at and check records found.

Circle Search, i.e. 'Chequers' - systematic one steps;  
Versus  
'Chess' moves, i.e. 'leaping' or migrating away.<sup>74</sup>

Should be like a Legal Case, i.e. On All Fours (animal's legs!)<sup>75</sup>

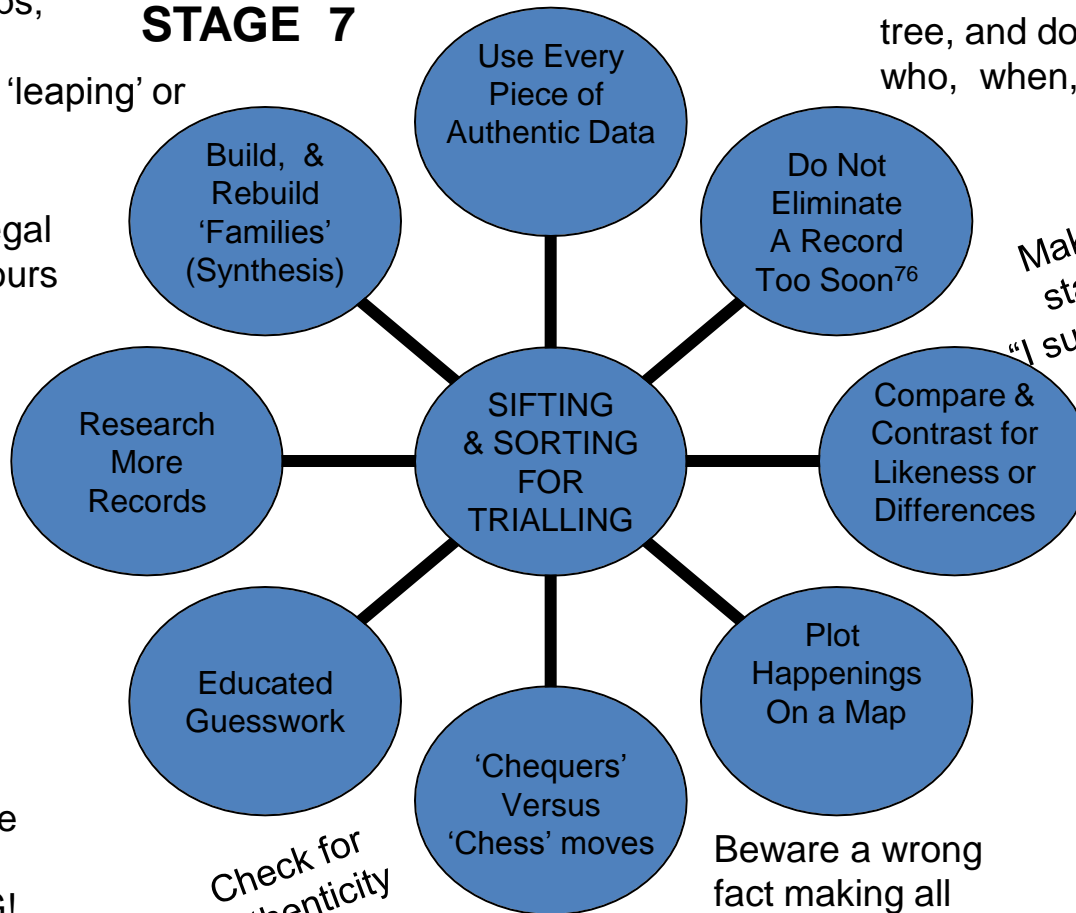
e.g. VECTORS<sup>74</sup>  
Ask Where & Why Did They Go & When? Think: Economics  
Religion  
Politics, 'Social'

### SUCCESS

Best with Unusual Surname out of the cities, post-1700s.  
HAPPY HUNTING!

### STAGE 7

### FOR TRIALLING



WRITE UP, the latest piece of RESEARCH. Draw up a family tree, and do some musing. Ask who, when, where, why, how?

Make a clear statement –  
“I surmise that ...”

A point comes when active research is too costly in time or money, knowing there are all the other ancestral lines to do. It can then be done while actively researching the other lines, i.e. put on the 'Back-burner'.  
Compare Mah Jongg Special Limit Hands (Chinese version) verge of completion and logarithmic curve

Check for authenticity

Beware a wrong fact making all else not fit (cf jigsaw puzzle)

# GENEALOGY VI RESEARCH: QUERY COLUMN OR G.R.D.

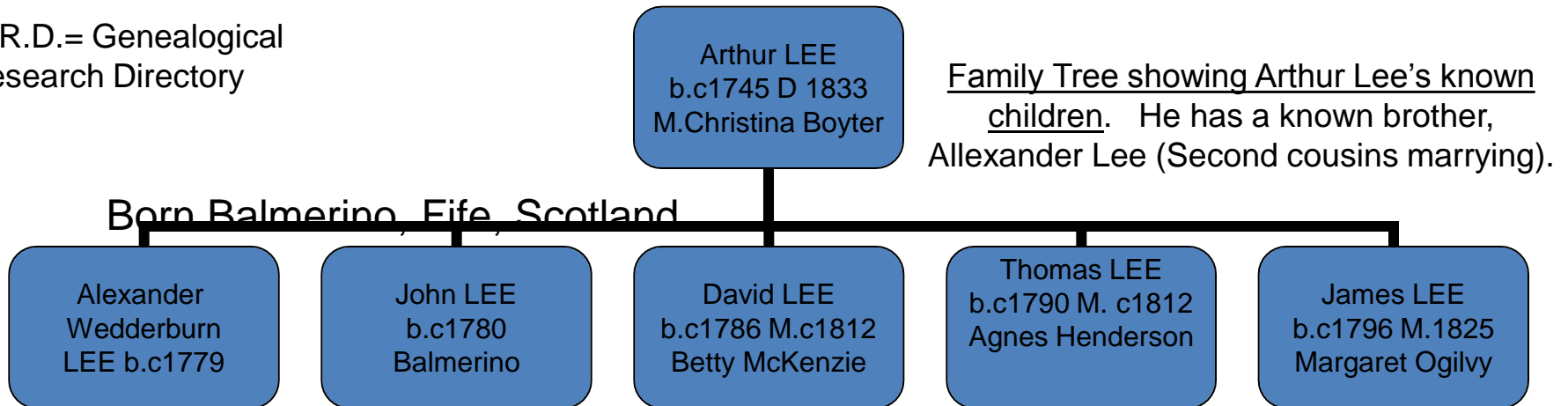
Surname interests (name, place, date range), and family tree brief.

- Berry, Fife Scotland, c1700s+
- Boyter, Fife Scotland, c1700s+
- Lee, Fife Scotland, c1700s+
- Lee, Balmerino, Fife, Scotland, c1778-1890s
- Ogilvy, Alyth, Perthshire, Scotland, c1700s+
- Whyte/White, Fife, Scotland, c1700s+

## STAGE 7

Collect the letters/emails of those answering your queries (draw up a small family tree of their details and staple to their letter/email), as well as those asking for details of your surname interest/s (send them a copy of your family tree, see below) – file under the surname interest, e.g. Lee.

G.R.D.= Genealogical  
Research Directory



# GENEALOGY VI FORMAT 5: ONE-PERSON STUDY

## EVIDENCE WAITING : A way for collecting possible entries

### STAGE 7

PAF is a versatile Genealogy Package

Alternatives – paper slips<sup>78</sup> or database

#### CR(E)AKER Entries In & Around Woodcote

+	2	i	(-) <sup>7</sup> <b>CREAKER [KNOWN]</b> , born abt 1730. He married unknown.
+	3	ii	(-) <sup>7</sup> <b>CREAKER-8-EXT</b> , born abt 1725. He married unknown.
+	4	iii	<b>Edward<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-4-EXT</b> , born abt 1730. He m. <b>Elizabeth ((-)) CRAKER-EXT</b> .
+	5	iv	<b>Edward<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-9-WILL</b> , born abt 1740. Notes: AKA Edward, the Elder, Live 1792, Woodcote, OXON (Will of W.L. Craker)
	6	v	<b>Edward<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-1-WILL</b> , born abt 1760. Notes: AKA Edward, the Younger, Live 1792, Woodcote, OXON (Will of W.L. Craker)
	7	vi	<b>John<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-17-WILL</b> , born abt 1690; died 1742. Notes: Labourer, 1742, Shipton under Wychwood, OXON (Will, 1742)
+	8	viii	<b>Richard<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-2-SUB</b> , born abt 1690. He married <b>Elizabeth ((-)) CRAKER</b> .
	9	viii	<b>Richard<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-3-WILL</b> , b. abt 1690; d.1742. Notes: Yeoman, Islip, OXON (Will, 1742)
	10	ix	<b>Solomon<sup>7</sup> CREEKER-5-</b> , born abt 1675. He married abt 1700 <b>Ann ((-)) CREEKER</b> . Notes: x5 children 1701-1711 St Martins in the Fields.
	11	x	(-) <sup>7</sup> <b>CRAKER-7-SUB</b> , b. abt 1690; died bef 1752. He married <b>Hannah ((-)) CRAKER</b> , died. 1752.

#### Generation 2

	2.	(-) <sup>7</sup> <b>CRAKER [KNOWN]</b> , born abt 1730. He married unknown. Children were as follows:
	13	i <b>William Lewis<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , born abt 1760; died bef 13 Jul 1792 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England. Notes: His will dated 18 Apr 1792, Probated Oxford 13 Jul 1792, gives his brothers' and sisters' names, mostly giving the one shilling. His will gives his freehold acre of land, 'lying in Woodcote Fields and known by the name of Hollow hedge mere being a head Acre shooting down by Wallingford Path with all my Farming Live & dead Stock, Hay Corn, Horses, Cows Sheep etc and all Implements in the said Business as Ploughs Harrows etc etc and all Goods & Chattels wheresoever & whatsoever belonging to me at the time of my decease and all Debts ... and what sort soever due to me at the time of my decease'...to Edward Craker the Elder and Edward Craker the Younger both of Woodcott. W. 218.69; 124/1/17.
	14	ii <b>Edward<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , born abt 1760.
	15	iii <b>Dorothy<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , born abt 1760; died 1807 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England. Notes: Single. Will dated 1807. W.220.125; 254/1/27 ORO, Cowley
	16	iv (-) <sup>7</sup> <b>CRAKER</b> , born abt 1760. She married <b>John WEBB</b> , born abt 1760.
+	17	v <b>Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , born abt 1764; died 13 Aug 1830 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England; buried 17 Aug 1830 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England. She married <b>James FERGUSON</b> .
+	18	vi <b>Richard<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , born abt 1750. He married <b>Jane (NAISH) CRAKER</b> .
	3.	(-) <sup>7</sup> <b>CRAKER-8-EXT</b> , born abt 1725. He married unknown. Children were as follows:
	19	i <b>Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-8-EXT</b> , born abt 1750. She married on 25 Nov 1773 in London, Middlesex, England <b>James DEAN</b> . Notes: Married St Martins in the Fields. x2 James Dean marriages there, x39 marriages altogether. Dean >1000 entries London Greater! Not 200 NZ but London! No children to couple baptised St Martins or St Leonards, Shoreditch.
	4.	<b>Edward<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-4-EXT</b> , born abt 1730. He married abt 1755 <b>Elizabeth ((-)) CRAKER</b> . Children of Edward CRAKER-EXT and Elizabeth (-) were as follows:
	20	i <b>Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , chr 19 Aug 1759 in Ludgershall, Buckinghamshire, England.
	21	ii <b>Ann<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , christened 14 Dec 1760 in Ludgershall, Buckinghamshire, Eng.
	22	iii <b>Mary<sup>7</sup> CRAKER</b> , christened 14 Apr 1763 in Ludgershall, Buckinghamshire, Eng.
	8.	<b>Richard<sup>7</sup> CRAKER-2-SUB</b> , born abt 1690. He married abt 1715 <b>Elizabeth ((-)) CRAKER</b> . Notes for Richard CRAKER_x5 Craker IGI all dates/events, England Children of Richard CRAKER and Elizabeth (-) were as follows:

Most people can hold only 5-7 items in their head – if 8-20 items, then try this method<sup>77</sup>

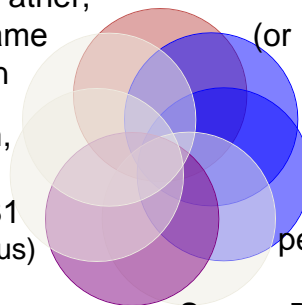
You 'inch' along now, instead of 'galloping'!

Think whole families

#### SETTING UP

Sort Order: 1. Father,  
2. Wife's first name  
3. Unknown  
surname/s last  
Item verbatim,  
Record type as suffix  
e.g. A.Smith-'81  
(from 1881 census)

Looking for BIRTHS (or MARRIAGES) Only for ONE PERSON One record (added 'child') per entry, and give Each a number



Then GEDCOM probable entries for each built up/synthetic family tree

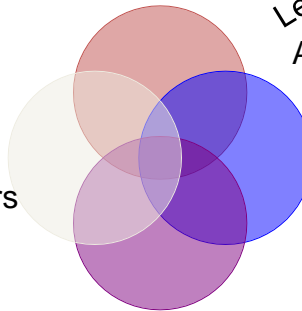
Use a 'Dummy parent'

Source References To Notes.

#### PARAMETERS

Date Range For BIRTH Collection Birthdate +/- 15 yrs

Rare Surname Any found anywhere Frequent Surname Limited to Place (Circle Search for a start)



Always check outside parameters set (for anomalies)

Date Range For MARRIAGE - Known first child's birth - 17 yrs +3 yrs after birth (In case of anomalies)

Maps show roads and nearest towns also Parloc software

# GENEALOGY VI FORMAT 6: SYNTHETIC\* OR TRIAL TREE

## EVIDENCE WAITING : A trial tree awaiting more evidence.

### SYNTHETIC Family Tree of **Elizabeth CREAKER and James FERGUSON**

1. (-) **CREAKER [KNOWN]**, born abt 1730 in Or Creker, OR Craker. He married unknown.  
Children of (-) CREAKER were as follows:
  - + 2 i **Elizabeth<sup>s</sup> CREAKER-8-EXT**, born abt 1750 in England; died 13 Aug 1830 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England; buried 17 Aug 1830 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire. She married (1) **James DEAN-8-EXT**; (2) **James FERGUSON**.  
**William Lewis<sup>s</sup> CREAKER**, born abt 1760; died bef 13 Jul 1792 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England. Notes: His will dated 18 Apr 1792, Probated Oxford 13 Jul 1792, gives his brothers' & sisters' names...to Edward Craker the Elder and Edward Craker the Younger both of Woodcott. W. 218.69; 124/1/17.
  - 8 vii **Dorothy<sup>s</sup> CREAKER**, born abt 1760; died 1807 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England. Notes: Single. Will dated 1807. W.220.125; 254/1/27 ORO, Cowley
  - 9 viiii (-) **CREAKER**, born abt 1760. She married **John WEBB**, born abt 1760.
  - + 10 ix **Richard<sup>s</sup> CREAKER-2-SUB**, born abt 1750. He m. **Jane (NAISH) CREAKER**.

#### *Generation 2*

2. **Elizabeth<sup>s</sup> CREAKER-8-EXT** born abt 1750 in England; died 13 Aug 1830 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England; buried 17 Aug 1830 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England. She married (1) on 25 Nov 1773 in London, Middlesex, England **James DEAN**; on 6 May 1782 in Shoreditch, Middlesex, England **James FERGUSON**, born abt 1750 in England; died 29 Oct 1806 in England; buried 29 Oct 1806 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England, son of (-) FERGUSON. Notes for Elizabeth CREAKER Married St Martins in the Fields. x2 James Dean marriages there, x39 marriages altogether. Dean >1000 entries in London Greater! Not 200 in NZ but in London! No children to couple baptised St Martins or St Leonards, Shoreditch. Notes for James FERGUSON Married St Leonards (IGI extraction, 25Feb2009).

THE 'CASE'. Death as monumental inscription St Leonard's Churchyard, Woodcote, Oxfordshire. The only fact about James. The other fact was James as father to William. Known to be a descendant of the Craigdarroch Fergusons of Dumfriesshire, Scotland. {AJW} Children of Elizabeth CREAKER and James DEAN were as follows:

- 11 i **Mary<sup>s</sup> DEAN-8-EXT**, christened Mar 1775 in Westminster, Middlesex, England. Notes: Christened St Clement Danes. Batch C041603 - the only one.

Children of Elizabeth CREAKER-8-EXT and James FERGUSON were as follows:

- 13 ii **William<sup>s</sup> FERGUSON**, christened 11 Feb 1782 in Westminster, Middlesex, England, died 24 Apr 1856 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England. He married (1) in 1808 in Reading, Berkshire, England **Sarah Barnard (MANSFIELD) FERGUSON**, christened 18 Apr 1785 in Reading, Berkshire, England, died 22 Nov 1818 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England; (2) on 21 Feb 1828 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire, England **Mary (-) FERGUSON**, born abt 25 Dec 1795 Eccleshall, Staffordshire, England; died abt Mar 1859 in Reading, Berkshire, England; buried 31 Mar 1859 in Woodcote, Oxfordshire.
- 14 iii **Anna Lewies<sup>s</sup> FERGUSON**, born abt 1784 in England. Notes: Died as a child.
- 15 iv **daughter<sup>s</sup> FERGUSON**, born abt 1788 London. Notes: Died as a Child.
- 16 v **James<sup>s</sup> FERGUSON**, christened 4 Nov 1792 in City of London, Middlesex, England. Notes: Died as a Child.

10. **Richard<sup>s</sup> CREAKER-2-SUB**, born abt 1750. He married on 20 Oct 1773 in Hurst, Berkshire, England **Jane (NAISH) CREAKER**, christened 11 Jul 1750 in Wokingham, Berkshire, England, died aft Apr 1851 in Berkshire, England. <Aged 100 years>.

This 'TREE' waits to be proved or be eliminated.  
Usually another record can be checked.

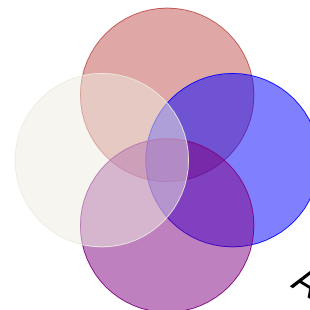
A person cannot be convicted on circumstantial evidence<sup>79</sup>

GEDCOM Items to a New File

Build up experimental 'families' from those found and entered into ONE-PERSON STUDY, then "kill off, marry off, migrate away the superfluous extras"<sup>80</sup>

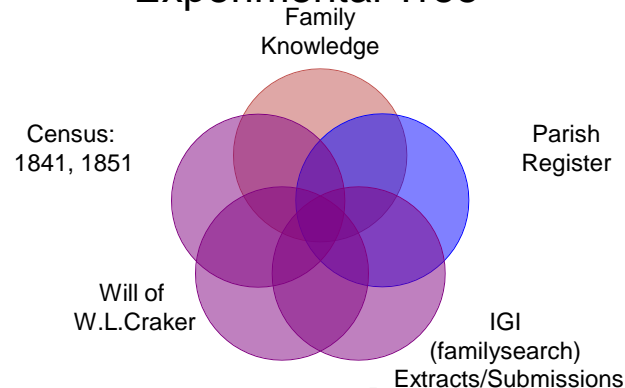
[Tree Notes abridged. From PAF using PAF Companion]

### SETTING UP



People have not changed. THINK modern analogies

### SOURCES For This Experimental Tree



[\*Formed by synthesis.]

### STAGE 7

A Tree For each Probable Person plus Other probable Items found

Awaiting more evidence