

respectively. A family tree is given in Appendix 1 in order to assist the reader's understanding of the various connections between the family groups referred to throughout both this article and in the letter archive of *ref. 1* below.

John and Eliza Jones's son, George Alfred, joined the 1st Bedfordshire Regiment at Litchfield Barracks in 1887 and married Mary Brice Saunders in 1892. Mary had been living with her mother at 15, Bouvere Rd., Folkestone West. From the many letters that George wrote to his family, charting the progress of his career (*See ref.1. below*), it is known that after a posting to Enniskillen in 1888 he was posted to India (now Pakistan) and he and Mary sailed from Portsmouth on 9th Dec. 1893 on the naval ship "Serapis", travelled via the Suez canal to Karachi then overland to Rawalpindi. Between 1894 and 1897 they were also stationed in Umballa, Peshwar and Nowshera. Sgt. George Alfred Jones died in 1901, aged 35yrs, of a pneumonia type of illness whilst serving in India.

Louisa Hannah Jones (Lou) started working away from home in general domestic service in 1886 at the age of 18yrs. Often in her letters home, she complained to her parents about the differences in expectations between herself and her employers in the scope of her work. In 1887 she was in Castlethorpe and the following year in Streatham, Surrey. For the next 9 years she worked as a domestic cook first in Portsea (*see ref.1. below*) where she maintained regular contact with her cousin, James Horatio Boorer his wife Mary and their two children, Daisy and Henry, sometimes lodging with them at 43 Froddington Road Portsea. James Horatio was the son of Eliza Ann's older sister, Sarah Louisa, and her husband, James Boorer, who lived in Gosport. Later Louisa's work took her to Luton but in 1897 her father, John Jones, became terminally ill, so Louisa gave up her work away and moved back to Well House to care for her parents (*ref.1*). She was to live there for the remainder of her life. In 1902, Louisa Hannah married John Garner and they lived in Well House, together with her mother, Eliza Ann, and raising the three Garner children. (born, as referenced above and also pictured above in the photograph of the young family). A later photograph of the whole family occupying Well House in the mid 1920's is shown below.



The Jones/Garner family at the doorway of Well House
William John R Garner, Louise Garner, John Garner,
Louisa Hannah Garner (nee Jones), Eliza Ann Jones (nee. Ruston), Nora Emily Garner

c.1925