

# Rev. Hugh Hornby BIRLEY



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*CLERGYMAN*



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BIRLEY M.A.**  
*Rector of Cranfield  
1866-1887*  
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**\*BIRLEY, Hugh Hornby, Spring Bank, Pendleton, Manchester.**—Ball. Coll. Ox. B.A. 1848, M.A. 1852. *†* 1849, p 1852 Ex. *J* C. of Plymstock 1849-55; P.C. of Hooe, Devon, 1855-61; C. of Buckingham 1861-62; H. Trin. Stepney, 1864-65; V. of Newport-Pagnell 1865-66; R. of Cranfield, Beds. 1866-87; Asst. Chap. at Nice 1888; C. of Collingham, Yorks. 1890-91; Ebrington, Glos. 1891-92.

(*Crockford's Clerical Directory*: 1903)

**Birley, Hugh Hornby, 2s. Hugh Hornby, of Manchester, arm. BALLIOL COLL., matric. 30 March, 1843, aged 17; B.A. 1848, M.A. 1852, rector of Cranfield, Bucks, 1866. [30]**

(*Oxoniensis*: 1886)

NO. 1124.						
<i>H</i>	<i>Hugh Hornby</i>	<i>Hugh Hornby</i>	<i>Birley</i>	<i>Manct.</i>	<i>Manct. Nich. Germ.</i>	
No. 1125.	<i>Hornby Cicely</i>	<i>Hornby Cicely</i>				

**1825:** Born 31 August, the second son of Hugh Hornby (q.v. below) of Manchester and Cicely Birley. Baptised at Manchester Cathedral, 14 October 1825.

Hugh Hornby Birley and Cicely Birley had the following children:

- Margaret Elizabeth    b. 1823
- Thomas Hornby        b. 1825 (bapt. 30 April, Manchester Cathedral)
- Rev. Hugh Hornby     b. 1825
- Joseph Hornby        b. 1827 (bapt. 19 April, Manchester Cathedral)
- Cecily Margaret        b. 1829 (bapt. 15 March, Manchester Cathedral)

Alicia Marian	b. 1830 (bapt. 16 June, Manchester Cathedral)
Mary Isabella	b. 1833 (bapt. 27 May, Manchester Cathedral)
William Hornby	b. 1835 (bapt. 7 May, St. Mary, Eccles)
Frederick Hornby	b. 1837 (bapt. 16 June, St. Mary, Eccles)
Emily Jane	b. 1838 (bapt. 26 December, St. Mary, Eccles)
Edward Hornby	b. 1842 (bapt. 25 August, St. Mary, Eccles. The second son with this name)

**1841** census: Winchester College, Hampshire.

**Hugh Hornby Birley** 15 Schoolboy b. (Born outside the county)

**1843**: Matriculated at Balliol College, Oxford, on 30 March 1843, aged 17. **1848** B.A.; **1852** M.A.

**1849**: Ordained Deacon on Sunday 21 October by the Bishop of Exeter.

**1849-1855**: Curate of Plymstock, Devon.

**1851** census: Turnchapel, Plymstock, Devon.

<b>Hugh H. Birley</b>	Lodger	S	25	Curate of Plymstock	b. Manchester
Joseph H. Birley	Vis.	S	24	Merchant	b. Manchester

(The home of William Flashman Hart, a Coal and Limestone Merchant).

**1852**: Ordained Priest on Sunday 19 September by the Bishop of Exeter.

**1855-1861**: Perpetual Curate of Hooe, Devon.

**1861** census: Hadford House, Plymstock, Devon.

**Hugh H. Birley** Vis. S 35 Clergyman. Perpetual Curate at Hooe.  
(The home of a retired widower).

**1861-1862**: Curate of Buckingham.

**1864-1865**: Curate of Holy Trinity, Stepney.

**1865-1866**: Vicar of Newport Pagnell.

**1866-1887**: Rector of Cranfield, Beds.

**1871** census: Rectory House, Cranfield, Beds.

**Hugh H. Birley** Head S 45 Rector of Cranfield  
+ 2 servants.

**1881** census: The Rectory, Cranfield, Beds.

**Hugh Hornby Birley** Head S 55 Rector of Cranfield  
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(**1881**: Assistant Chaplain at Nice)

In **1883**, he was appointed Chaplain to the newly appointed High Sheriff of Hertfordshire, Salisbury Baxendale, Esq.

**1890-1891**: Curate of Collingham, Yorks., near Wetherby. He was licensed to this parish in December by the Bishop of Ripon.

**1891** census: The Vicarage, Collingham, Yorks.

**Hugh H. Birley** Head S 65 Curate in Charge  
+ 1 servant.

**1891-1892:** Curate of Ebrington, Glos.

**1901** census: The Rectory, West Hallam, Derbys.

Cuthbert H. Birley Head M 37 Clergyman/Church of England  
Mary Wife M 39  
Isa Marion Daur. 4  
Thomas Eaton Son 2  
**Hugh Hornby Birley** Uncle S 75 Clergyman/Church of England  
+ 3 servants.

**1911** census: Spring Bank, 6 Sandy Lane, Pendleton. (15 rooms)

Birley, Cicely Beatrice Head S 50 Private Means b. Pendleton  
**Birley, Hugh Hornby** Uncle S 85 Clerk in Holy Orders  
Birley, Margaret Cousin S 43 Private Means b. Standish  
+ 4 servants

**1915:** Died 26 July, of Spring Bank, 6 Sandy Lane, Pendleton.

**BIRLEY** Hugh Hornby of Sprink Bank Pendleton **Lancashire**  
died 26 July 1915 Probate **London** 22 October to the  
reverend Edward Hornby Birley clerk Edward William  
Hornby Birley solicitor and Joseph Harold Birley manu-  
facturer. Effects £6838 2s.

NP 306	Hugh Hornby Birley	Spring Bank 6, Sandy Lane Pendleton	July 29	89 years	Hugh H. Birley
No 2255					

The *Manchester Evening News* on Tuesday 27 July **1915** announced his death:

*NONAGENARIAN CLERGYMAN'S DEATH.*

*The Rev. Hugh Hornby Birley (formerly rector of Cranfield, Bedfordshire), second son of the late Mr. Hugh Hornby Birley, of this city, died yesterday at his home, Spring Bank, Pendleton. Mr. Birley, who was in his 90th year, graduated at Oxford in 1849, and was ordained deacon by the Bishop of Exeter the following year; He took priest's orders in 1852, and during his active ministry, which terminated in 1892, he held a number of assistant curacies both before and after holding the living of Cranfield.*

The service in the church was fully choral, and the officiating clergyman was the Vicar of Worsley, the Rev. C. B. Hulton.

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**Hugh Hornby BIRLEY - Sen. (1778 - 1845)**



There were 3 members of the family with the name Hugh Hornby Birley. The reverend was the second son of Hugh Hornby Birley. The third one with that name was the nephew of the reverend.

Born at Broom House, Rusholme, **Hugh Hornby BIRLEY - Sen.** was a leading Manchester millowner and Tory, who developed a reputation an industrialist with reactionary political opinions. He is reputed to have led the fatal charge of the Manchester and Salford Yeomanry Cavalry at the 'Peterloo Massacre' on **16 August 1819**. The Yeomanry was made up of local businessmen, and were used to deal with social unrest. For example, Birley had earlier used the Yeomanry to disperse weavers marching from Manchester to Ashton-under-Lyne. A great deal has been written about him and his rôle on St. Peter's Field.

Hugh Birley continued to live in Manchester after the Peterloo Massacre. Although deeply hated by the reformers, Burley was held in high esteem by conservatives and eventually became Manchester's first President of the Chamber of Commerce. In the early 1820s Birley went into partnership with Charles Macintosh, who patented the idea of water-proofing.

Hugh's brother, Joseph Birley (1782–1847), was the father of Hugh Birley who served as Member of Parliament for Manchester from 1868 to 1883

In 1814 he commenced the building of the Cambridge Street Cotton Mill in Chorlton-on-Medlock. He was a local magistrate and at one point a Deputy Lieutenant.

He assisted the Swiss inventor-engineer Johann Georg Bodmer by making space available to him at his Chorlton Mills and was instrumental in founding the Royal Victoria Gallery of Practical Science in 1839. He was associated with the Royal Manchester Institution and a moving force in the establishment of Owens College. He was a director of the Manchester Gas Works and became a business associate of Charles Macintosh with the intention of putting the works' waste products to profitable use in the manufacture of waterproof fabrics.

He died in Eccles in 1845. **Hugh Hornby Birley** was buried in the family vault in St. Peter's Church, Manchester.

MARRIAGES solemnized in the Parish of <u>Rusholme</u>	
in the County of <u>Lancaster</u> in the Year 18 <u>22</u>	
<u>Hugh Hornby Birley</u>	of <u>Rusholme</u> Parish
<u>Manchester in the Parish of Manchester</u>	<u>Burholme</u>
and <u>Lucy Hornby</u>	of <u>the</u> Parish
<u>of Rusholme &amp; Parsonage</u>	
were married in this <u>Church</u> by <u>Lawrence</u> with Consent of	
this <u>14th</u> Day of	
<u>March</u> in the Year One thousand eight hundred and <u>twenty two</u>	
By me <u>James McEwen Vicar of Rusholme</u>	
This Marriage was solemnized between us { <u>H. H. Birley</u>	
{ <u>Lucy Hornby</u>	
In the Prefence of { <u>H. Hornby</u>	<u>Martha Birley</u>
{ <u>H. Hornby</u>	<u>John Dalton</u>
	<u>William Langton</u>
	<u>Jane Spangier</u>
No. 586.	