

# Richard GORTON



ALSO:

Alice Howis Gorton	1837-1924
William Hall Gorton	1876-1876

Born: 4 January 1832

Died: 2 August 1904

*CALICO PRINTER  
CHAIRMAN of LANCS. C.C.C.*

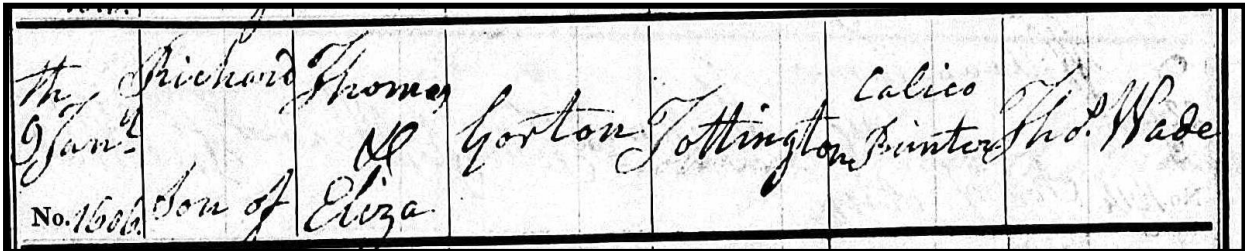


**Richard GORTON** - (1832 - 1904)



In  
Loving Memory of  
**RICHARD GORTON**  
born Jan.5 **1832**, died Aug. 2 **1904**  
**ALICE HOWIS GORTON** wife of above  
born March 6 **1837**, died July 17 **1924**  
*Peace perfect peace*  
**WILLIAM HALL GORTON**  
born Oct. 4 **1876**, died Nov. 12 **1876**  
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**1832:** Birth of **Richard Gorton** on 4 January **1832**. Baptism of **Richard Gorton** on 9 January **1832** at St. Anne, Tottington. The son of Thomas (1800-1867) and Eliza (née Hall) Gorton (1804-1833).



**1835:** Birth of **Alice Howis Skirving** on 6 March **1835**. Baptised on 1 April **1835** at Walton-on-the-Hill, the daughter of William and Ellen Skirving.

**1865:** Marriage of **Richard Gorton** and **Alice Howis Skirving** on 19 July **1865** at Walton-on-the-Hill.

**1866:** Baptism of Mary Gorton

Baptism: 20 June **1866** St Mary the Virgin, Eccles.

Mary Gorton - Daughter of **Richard Gorton & Alice Howis**

Born: 22 May **1866**

Abode: Eccles

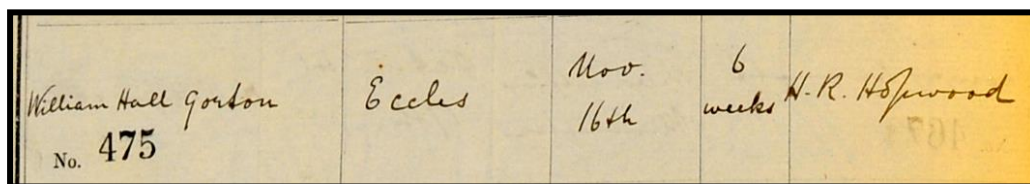
Occupation: Calico Printer

Baptised By: J. P. Pitcairn

**1868:** Birth of *Richard Hall Gorton* on 16 August **1868**. Baptism of *Richard Hall Gorton* on 14 October 1868 at Manchester Cathedral.

**1875:** Birth of *Alice Hall Gorton* on 4 April **1875**. Baptised at Manchester Cathedral on 3 June **1875**.

**1876:** Birth of **William Hall Gorton** on 4 October **1876**. He died on 12 November 1876, aged 6 weeks.



**1881** census: Woodands, Eccles Old Road, Eccles.

<b>Richard Gorton</b>	Head	M	49	Calico printer	b. Bury
<b>Alice H.</b>	Wife	M	45		b. Walton
Alice H.	Daur.		6		b. Eccles

+ 3 servants.

**1891** census: 3 Prestons Avenue, Eccles.

<b>Richard Gorton</b>	Head	M	59	Calico printer	b. Tottington
<b>Alice H.</b>	Wife	M	54		b. Walton on the Hill
Richard H.	Son	S	20		b. Eccles
Alice H.	Daur.		16		b. Eccles

+ 3 servants

**1901** census: 3 Prestons Avenue, Eccles.

<b>Richard Gorton</b>	Head	M	69	Calico printer	b. Tottington
<b>Alice H.</b>	Wife	M	64		b. Walton on the Hill
Alice H(all)	Daur.		25		b. Eccles

+ 3 servants.

**1911** census: 3 Prestons Avenue, Eccles. (11 rooms)

<b>Alice Howis Gorton</b>	Head	W	75	Private Means (4 children, 2 living)
Alice H(all)	Daur.		35	

+ 3 servants (all were sisters!)

### WILL.

**GORTON** Richard of "the Woodlands" Gildabrook Eccles died 2 August 1904 **Probate** London 26 September to Alice Howis Gorton widow and Richard Hall Gorton estate-agent. Effects £10735 14s 11d.

**1924:** Death of **Alice Howis Gorton** on 17 July **1924**. Buried at St. Mark's on 1924.

### WILL.

**GORTON** Alice Howis of The Woodlands Gilda Brook Eccles **Lancashire** widow died 17 July 1924 **Probate London** 3 October to Richard Hall Gorton gentleman and Alice Hall Roberts (wife of the reverend George Roberts clerk). Effects £7591 9s. 8d.

1904: *Manchester Courier* - Thursday 4 August 1894:

*OBITUARY. PIONEER OF THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY CRICKET CLUB.*

We much regret to announce the death of **Mr. Richard Gorton**, which took place at his residence, *The Woodlands, Eccles*, on Tuesday. **Mr. Gorton** was born at *Tottington, near Bury*, 72 years ago, but had for more than thirty years resided at *Eccles*. He was best known for many years as a member of the committee of the *Lancashire County Cricket Club*. He was, in fact, one of the pioneers in the movement which led to the establishment of the club. In his younger days he was himself an enthusiastic cricketer, and played regularly as a member of the *Manchester Cricket Club* in the fifties and "sixties." He was a close friend of the late *Mr. J. Stanning*, *Mr. E. Challender* and *Mr. Arthur Appleby*, and it is believed that he was much affected by the death of the former gentleman, in particular, some time ago. **Mr. Gorton** was elected a vice-president of the *County Cricket Club* about nine years since, and he at all times took a very keen interest in the affairs of the club. He was also a well known amateur horticulturist, devoting much time and study to the cultivation of carnations and picotees especially. A member from its formation of the *Carnation and Picotee Society*, he regularly exhibited, and won numerous prizes at the annual shows of that society. Kind-hearted and genial, and uniformly courteous to all with whom was brought into contact, he was universally esteemed very highly. **Mr. Gorton** was a devout Churchman, and a loyal and consistent supporter of Conservative politics. He was a member the *Manchester Conservative Club*. He had been failing in health for five or six months past, but no immediate danger was apprehended until a few hours before the end. The funeral will take place at *St. Mark's Church*, to-morrow.

*Manchester Evening News* - Thursday 4 August 1894:

*DEATH OF AN OLD LOCAL CRICKETER.*

The death is announced of **Mr. Richard Gorton**, of *The Woodlands, Eccles*, another of that steadily diminishing band of cricketers to whose energy it is due that *Lancashire* occupies so prominent a place in the cricket world. At the time of his death **Mr. Gorton** was a vice president of the *Lancashire County and Manchester Cricket Club*, and until about six months ago he took a deep personal interest in the affairs of both. He was one of the oldest members of the club. For many years he was an active member of the *Committee*, and for a period its chairman. The late *Mr. Stanning* succeeded him in this office, and **Mr. Gorton** was made a vice president. He continued to take an active concern in the guidance of the affairs of the club until disabled by failing health and advancing years. For a long period he resided at *Colwyn Bay*. **Mr. Gorton** was 72 years of age.

On the day of the funeral, the *Lancashire* team was playing the *South Africans* at *Old Trafford*. The game was adjourned at midday for half an hour, to mark the funeral. Rain happened to fall at this time, but this did not hold up the resumption of play.

*Manchester Courier* - Saturday 6 August 1894:

*THE LATE MR. RICHARD GORTON.*

*FUNERAL AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH, WORSLEY.*

In the graveyard attached to the parish church of *St Mark's, Worsley*, at noon yesterday, remains of the late **Mr. Richard Gorton**, of *Woodlands, Eccles*, were laid in their last resting place in the presence of many of those who have been closely associated with him during the past two generations in promoting the interests of the *Lancashire County and Manchester Cricket Club*. **Mr. Gorton** prominently identified with the inception of the *County cricket organisation*, and for past nine years had been a vice-president.

*Round his grave were gathered many old colleagues of years ago, many whose names will be familiar to followers of cricket as stalwart supporters of the County Palatine both on and off the field:- Mr. A. N. Hornby, Mr. Roger Walker, Mr. O P. Lancashire, Mr. E. B. Rowley. Mr. W. E. Openshaw, and Mr. J. Homer. Amongst others present were Mr. Wilson Rooke, Mr. Harry Sowler. Mr. Wm. Eckersley. Mr. J. Makinson, Mr. Henry Greenall, Mr. T. P. Shelmerdine, Mr. S. L. Keymer, Mr. J. Eckersley, Mr. S. Swire, jun. (representing his father). Mr. James Kershaw. Mr. H. Gorton Gregorv. Mr. Geo. Critchley. Mr. F. Danes, Mr. A. K. Davies, Mr. F. Burton. Mr. J. P. Lewis (Denbigh), Mr. H. F. Norris, Mr. G. Jowett, Mr. C. H. Agnew, Mr. W. S. and Lawe and Mr. J. Dugdale. The cortege left Woodlands soon after eleven o'clock, the chief mourners being Mr. R. H. Gorton (son). Miss Gorton (daughter), Mr. H. T. Procter, Mr. Oliver Procter and Mr. C. P. Procter (nephews), Dr. Hepworth, and Mr. W. Ashworth The service, both in the church and at the graveside, was choral, and was conducted by the Rev W. J. Clarke. From friends and various institutions with which **Mr. Gorton** had been associated were a large number beautiful floral tributes - that of the Lancashire County Club being composed red roses. Lady Sowler and Mr. W. Slater Boddington sent their private carriages. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. Kendal. Milne, and Co.. Manchester.*

