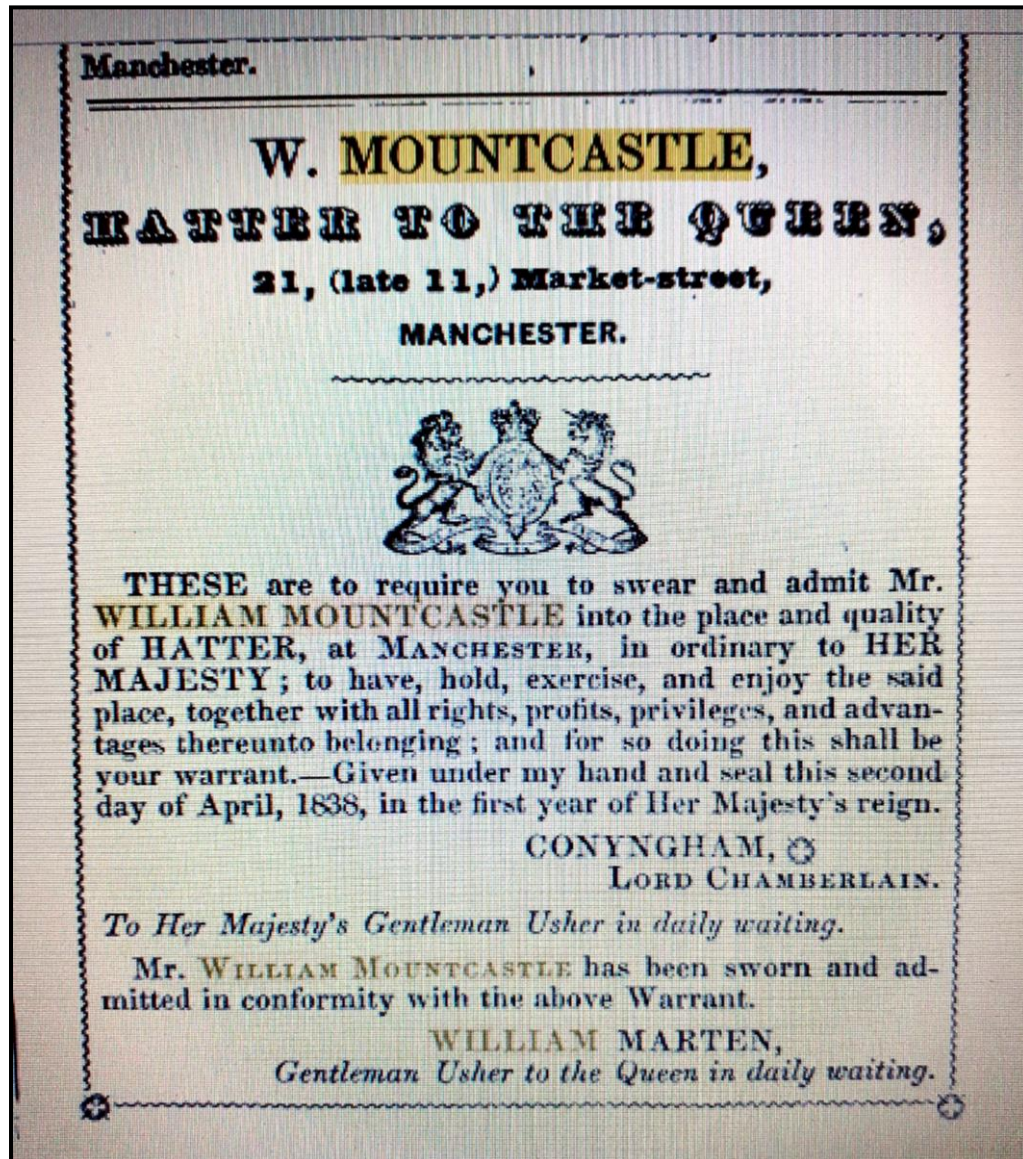


William Robert MOUNTCASTLE



[His father's business: Victoria, late 1830's]

Born: 12 October 1831

Died: 20 February 1902

HATTERS



William Robert MOUNTCASTLE

In loving memory of
WILLIAM ROBERT MOUNTCASTLE
the Wigwam, Ellenbrook
born October 12th 1831
died February 20th 1902
Faithful unto death
Also **ELLEN MOUNTCASTLE**
wife of the above
born June 13th 1828 died February 18th 1905
'She hath done what she could'
Also our darling little "**SISSY**"
who was born February 15th 1866
and died February 5th 1871
Also our dear "**WILLY**"
born September 28th 1857 died May 14th 1895
And our dear "**CHARLEY**"
born January 13th 1860 died May 17th 1895
who were buried together May 20th 1895
Also **MARIA ELIZABETH SISSY MOUNTCASTLE**
born April 7th 1871 died February 13th 1914
'Being dead yet speaketh commit thy way unto the Lord'. (P1610)

Baptism: 1 Apr 1832 St Mary, Manchester, Lancashire, England
William Robert Mountcastle - son of William Mountcastle & Ann
Abode: Cheetham Hill
Occupation: Hatter

His parents, **William Mountcastle** (Senior) and Ann **Scholefield**, had married at St. Mary, Manchester, on 18 February 1830, by Licence. Both were of that parish. They appear to have had 3 children:

William Robert (1832-1902)

Ann Luck (1834-1921) [Her grandmother's maiden name was Such, so it seems that may have been her name also, rather than Luck].

Henry Montague (1839-1914)

1851 census: Didsbury.

William Mountcastle	Head	M	50	Hatter, empl. 6 persons	b. London
Ann	Wife	M	52		b. Manchester
W. R.	Son		19	Employed in his father's business	b. Cheetham Hill
A. L.	Daur.		16	Scholar	b. Cheetham Hill
H. M.	Son		12	Scholar	b. Withington

+ 2 servants

1855 Slater's Directory. Manchester.

Mountcastle, William, Hatter. (William Mountcastle & Son), Fallowfield.
[In all probability, this William was the father].

1856: **William Robert** married **Ellen Hilton**, by Licence, at the Cathedral Church on 9 October 1856. The marriage record establishes the fact that William Robert was following in the family business of Hat Makers.

1856, Marriage solemnized at *St. John's Parish Church* in the *Parish of Manchester* in the County of *Lancaster*

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
359	October 9 th 1856	William Robert Mountcastle Ellen Hilton	24 28	Bachelor Spinster	Hatter	Market street Greenheys	William Mountcastle James Hilton	Hatter Gentleman

Married in the *above Church* according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by *Licence* by me,

This Marriage was solemnized between us { *William Robert Mountcastle* } in the Presence of us, { *James Hilton, Ann Robt. Mountcastle, Ellen Hilton, Henry Montague Mountcastle* } by me, *D. J. Dunning, Vicar of St. John's, Salford.*

Records show that they had 5 children:

William J(ames). 'Willy'(1857-1895). Bp. St. Clement, M'cr. 28 September 1858

Charles F(rederick). 'Charley' (1860-1895)

Alfred H(ardman). (1862-1938)

'Sissy' (1866-1871) [Ellen Harriet Palmerston]

Harold T(emple). (1872-1919)

1861 census: Cecil Street, Chorlton.

William R. Mountcastle	Head	M	28	Hatter	b. Manchester
Ellen	Wife	M	30		b. Salford
Wm. Jas.	Son		3		b. Salford
Chas. Fredk.	Son		1		b. Salford

MOUNTCASTLE William.	28 November.	The Will
Effects under £10,000.		of William Mountcastle late of Manchester and of Fallowfield in the Parish of Manchester in the County of Lancaster Hat Manufacturer deceased who died 19 April 1862 at Thorparch in the County of York was proved at Manchester by the oaths of Ann Mountcastle of Park-place Fallowfield aforesaid Widow the Relict William Robert Mountcastle of 22 Dorking-terrace Cecil-street Greenheys in the said Parish Hatter and Henry Montague Mountcastle of Park-place aforesaid Hatter the Sons the Executors.

William Mountcastle (senior) died on 19 April 1862 at an address in York.

In 1866, William R. was initiated into the De Tabley Lodge of the Freemasons on 19 November. His address was recorded as William Street, Knutsford.

1871 census: New House, Tyldesley.

William R. Mountcastle	Head	M	39	Hatter	
Ellen	Wife	M	42		
William J.	Son		13		
Charles F.	Son		11		
Alfred H.	Son		8		
Martha Norbury	Boarder	S	26	Dress Maker	

+ 2 general servants

1881 census: Moss Road (Bridge Farm), Boothstown.

William R. Mountcastle	Head	M	49	Retired Hatter	
Ellen	Wife	M	52		
William J.	Son	S	23	Chemist's Assistant	b. Manchester
Charles F.	Son	S	21	Bookseller's Assistant	
Alfred H(ardman).	Son	S	18	Student preparing for Medicine	

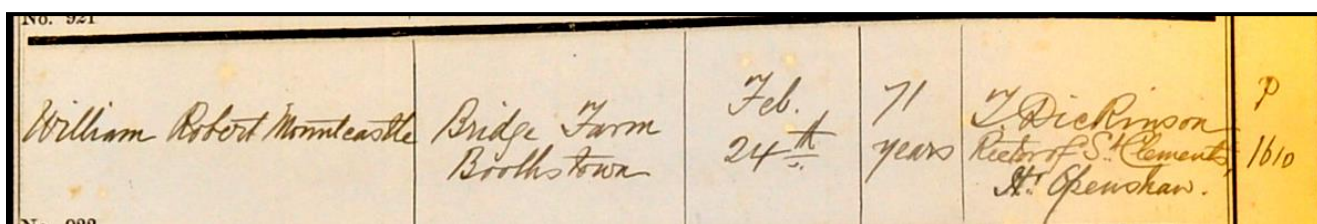
Harold T.	Son		9	
Martha Norbury	Serv.	S	36	General Domestic

1891 census: 22 Moss House Lane, Boothstown.

William Robt. Mountcastle	Head	M	59	Retired Hatter	
Ellen	Wife	M	62		
Chas. F.	Son	S	31	Clerk	b. Hulme
Har. T.	Son	S	19	Draper's Apprentice	
Martha Norbury	Serv.	S	46	Domestic Help	b. Mobberley

1901 census: Bridge House, Worsley.

William R. Mountcastle	Head	M	69	Retired Hatter	b. Cheetham Hill
Ellen	Wife	M	72		b. Manchester
Alfred H.	Son	S	38	Medical Student	b. Greenheys
Harold T.	Son	S	29	Agent for Sale of Tea	b. Tyldesley
Martha Norbury	Vis.	S	56		



The following tribute to **William Robert MOUNCASTLE** appeared in the *Leigh Chronicle* on Friday 28 February 1902.

REMARKABLE CAREER. A well known figure in political, religious, and temperance circles has been removed the death of Mr. William Robert Mountcastle, of the Wigwam, Boothstown, which took place on Thursday last week, after only six days' illness. Deceased, who was in his 71st year, was seized with paralysis whilst sitting in his chair, and despite the attention of Dr. Duncan, his medical attendant, he never rallied, and died as stated. He was a great admirer of the late Rev. Dr. Hewlett, Vicar of Astley, and it was in consequence of that gentleman's ministrations that Mr. Mountcastle removed from Fallowfield to this district in 1871, so that he could be near to Dr. Hewlett. Having got settled down in the district, he decided to remain, but did not actively connect himself with any other place of worship after the death of Dr. Hewlett, as he strongly objected to the Ritualism of the present day. In politics he was a strong Conservative and Orangeman. He was the founder of the "Wickliffe Rosmore Lodge", Tyldesley, in 1885; was Master of the Atherton District Orange body; was founder of the "John Bradford" Day Lodge, in Manchester; was Deputy Grand Master of the Loyal Orange Institution of England; and several times held office in the Manchester Orange District. He was also a most advanced Freemason in the district, but of late years he had not attended the meetings, he having given up the whole of his time practically to temperance work and Protestantism. He was a great temperance reformer, and used to be one of the speakers of the Leigh Band of Hope Union, and for some little time president of the Astley Band Hope Society. A story goes that he possessed the biggest wine cellar in this district, and that he kept a catalogue of the many different brands, some of the port being 40 or 50 years old.. He would never allow anyone to taste the fermented luxury or drink himself, neither would he sell or destroy it. The reason put forth for this apparently strange attitude was that he purchased the lot so that nobody else could consume it. In his youth Mr. Mountcastle was a great traveller. He travelled through the United States of America, crossed the Rocky Mountains, went through Canada, and also travelled in Australia, and he had been through every County in England except Hampshire. He was

a man of great and varied ability, and possessed, it is said, the finest library in this division. He was regarded as rather eccentric in manner, but as he came to be known he was found to be a genial and kind-hearted man. Since the death of his two sons about four years ago he never seemed to be the same person. For a short period, some 15 years ago, he was secretary of the Tyldesley Conservative Club, and at that time took a very active part in politics, but of late years he often expressed his strong opposition to the Ritualistic tendency of the Conservative Government. He once ventured into local government affairs, and succeeded in getting returned on the Tyldesley Local Board, but for some unexplained reason he never attended after being sworn in. Previous to coming to Ellenbrook and Boothstown he carried on business as a hatter in Market-street, Manchester, in succession to his father, but retired when he removed to this neighbourhood. He leaves a widow and two sons. The funeral which took place on Monday, noon, at St. Mark's Church, Worsley, was a quiet and impressive one, the service being taken by the Rev. Thomas Dickinson, of Higher Broughton, who was a very old friend of the deceased. The Loyal Orange Institution of England was represented by Bro. Rev Dickinson, a Deputy Grand Chaplain ; Bro. W Touchstone, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary of England ; and Bro. J Morton. Deputy Master of the "John Bradford" Manchester Bay Lodge (627), of which the deceased was the first Master—and for the last eleven years had been secretary. The Manchester Protestant Thousand,, of which Society the late Mr. W. Mountcastle was an active member, was represented by Mr. R. Shuttleworth, Secretary. Many tokens of respect were placed on the graat the side of which the mourners sang three verses of "All hall the power of Jesu's Name," which was the deceased's favourite hymn.

Other MOUNTCASTLE Family Members

Arthur Hardman MOUNTCASTLE

1892. Marriage solemnized at <i>The Parish Church</i> in the <i>Parish of Howell Memorial, Salford</i> in the County of <i>Salford</i>								
Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
477	<i>5th December 1892</i>	<i>Alfred Hardman Mountcastle</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>Bachelor</i>	<i>Surgeon</i>	<i>The Wigwam Ellenbrook</i>	<i>William Robert Mountcastle (deceased)</i>	<i> Gentleman</i>
		<i>Maria Elizabeth Morton</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>Spinster</i>	<i>School Teacher</i>	<i>27 Napier Street Salford</i>	<i>Isaac Henry Morton</i>	<i>Insurance Agent</i>
Married in the <i>Parish Church</i> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <i>Established Church</i> by <i>vicary</i> or after _____ by me,								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		<i>Alfred Hardman Mountcastle</i>		in the Presence of us,		<i>Edith Gertrude Clegg</i>		
		<i>Maria Elizabeth Morton</i>				<i>Thomas Dickinson Rector of St. Clement's, N. Broughton.</i>		

1910: The Medical Directory gave a resume of his professional career to that date:

MOUNTCASTLE, Arthur Hardman, The Wigwam, Ellenbrook, nr. Manchester. L.R.C.P. L.R.C.S. Edin., and L.M., L.F.P.S. Glasg. 1902. (Anderson's Coll., Glasgow). Med. Exam. Britannic Assur. Co., Liverp. Vict. Insur., Corp. & Gen. Friendly Collecting Soc.

The registers for **1925** and **1930** give similar information, with the added fact that he had served 3½ years in the R.A.M.C.

1911 census: The Wigwam. Ellenbrook Road, Worsley. (5 rooms)

Alfred Hardman Mountcastle	Head	M	48	Physician & Surgeon
Maria Elizabeth	Wife	M	39	(married 8 years; no children).

1911 Slater's Directory.

Mountcastle, Alfred Hardman. Bridge House, Moss House Lane, Boothstown.

1910. Marriage solemnized at <u>the Parish Church</u> in the <u>Parish</u> of <u>St Mary, Prestwich</u> in the County of <u>Lancaster</u>								
Column No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
485	June 27 th 1919	Alfred Hardman Mountcastle	57	Widower	Surgeon	The Wigwam Ellenbrook	William Robert Mountcastle (deceased)	Gentleman.
		Agnes Emily Bone	41	Spinster	—	101 Clifton Road.	Thomas William Bone.	Gentleman.
Married in the <u>Parish Church</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <u>Established Church</u> by <u>Licence</u> or after <u>—</u> by me,								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		<u>Alfred Hardman Mountcastle</u>	in the Presence of us,		<u>Thomas William Bone</u>	<u>Arthur C. MacIntyre</u> Curate.		
		<u>Agnes Emily Bone</u>			<u>Emily Emily Bone</u>			

1914-1918:

Alfred Hardman Mountcastle served in the R.A.M.C. in World War I, with the rank of Captain. His home address was given as The Wigwam, Ellenbrook, nr. Manchester.

MOUNTCASTLE Alfred Hardman of The Wigwam 22 Moss House-lane Boothstown **Lancashire** died 10 June 1938 Probate **Manchester** 25 July to Agnes Emily Mountcastle widow and Robert Cooke solicitor. Effects £2231 19s. 4d.

Burial: 15 June 1938 St Mark, Worsley.

Alfred Hardman Mountcastle -

Age: 76 years

Abode: 22 Moss House Lane, Boothstown

Grave: N 470

[This was not the main family grave, presumably because there were already 6 members buried there]

<u>F</u> 1610 ✓	<u>Maria Elizabeth Mountcastle.</u>	<u>The Wigwam Ellenbrook</u>	<u>February 18th</u>	<u>42 years</u>	<u>Fred Addison. St John Mosley Common</u>
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[First wife of Arthur Hardman Mountcastle. Buried on 18 February 1914]

Burial: 17 April 1940 St Mark, Worsley.

Agnes Emily Mountcastle [Second wife of Arthur Hardman]

Age: 62 yrs.

Abode: Manchester Royal Infirmary, late of 'The Wigwam', Boothstown

Buried by: I. Renshaw

[Buried in Plot N.P.470]

Ellen (Hilton) MOUNTCASTLE (wife of William Robert)

Ellen Mountcastle No. 1223	The Wigwam Ellenbrook Worsley	Feb. 23	76 years	T. Dickenson Rector of St. Clement St. Openshaw.
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Their children William J. and Charles F.

William James Mountcastle No. 227	Boothstown	May 20 th	34 years	P. Morris	P 1610
Charles Frederick Mountcastle No. 228	Boothstown	May 20 th	35 years.	P. Knowles	P 1610

Daughter 'SISSY'

7010 No. 1471	Ellen Maria Palmer Mountcastle	Greenhey Manchester	76y. 9m. 4 yrs	Alfred Hardman Off. Secy.
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In Loving Memory
 of
**ALFRED HARDMAN
 MOUNTCASTLE**
 "The Wigwam", Ellenbrook
 Born 4 May 1862
 Died 10 June 1938
 Beloved by all who knew him
 He gave his life for others
 Being glad yet speaketh
 Also **AGNES**
 Wife of the above
 who died 13 April 1940
 Aged 62 years

