

Henry BLACKLOCK



Baptised: 20 June 1819

Died: 19 August 1871

*PRINTER
PUBLISHER*



HENRY BLACKLOCK - (1819 - 1871)



This striking memorial stone is distinguished by a broken anchor in stone on top of the plinth. The reason becomes clearer after reading the words at the base of the rocks.

Also of **THOMAS HENRY** eldest and much loved son of Henry and Ellen **Blacklock**, who died on his homeward voyage from Australia, June 18th 1872, aged 23 years. 'When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee.'

In fact, he died on his 23rd birthday.

Also buried in this vault were:

- Henry Blacklock** (aged 52, on 23 August 1871, of Didsbury),
- his son **Frederick** (aged 25, on 13 May 1882),
- Ellen** (wife of Henry, aged 69, on 1 April 1893), and
- Charles William** (aged 63, on 18 June 1914, of Barnes).

1819: Henry Blacklock was baptised at the collegiate church in Manchester on 20 June 1819, one of 48 baptisms held that day! And all conducted by J. Brookes, Chaplain! His parents were *John and Mary Blacklock*, John being a printer. And here perhaps lies the clue to who **Henry Blacklock** became a printer.

No. 1515.	Henry John son of Mary	&	Blacklock	Safford	Printer	J. Brookes chaplain
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1823: Ellen, in turn, was born on 27 May 1823 and baptised at St. Mary, Prestwich, on 3 December 1824. Thomas, her father, was a manufacturer and printer on the baptism register. She was the middle one of 3 children to the same parents all baptized at the same time.

When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	Parents Name.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian.	Surname.			
1824. Dec 3	Thomas	Thomas	Deane	Prestwich	Manufacturer & Printer	J. Brookes
1823. May 27	Ellen	John	Blacklock	Manchester	Printer	J. Brookes
1823. June 4	Mary	John	Blacklock	Manchester	Printer	J. Brookes

Certainly by early 1841, there was a publishing company at 27 Brown Street, Manchester, named *Bradshaw's and Blacklock's*. On a map dated 1886, the business was operating from a building on Albert Square, facing the town hall, and situated between Queen Street and Lloyd Street. One of the

Henry Blacklock Head M 39 Printer & Publisher
Ellen Wife M 33
Thomas H(enry) Son 11 Scholar
Charles W(illiam) Son 9 Scholar
 Edith M. Daur. 7 Scholar
Frederick Son 4 Scholar
 + 4 servants.

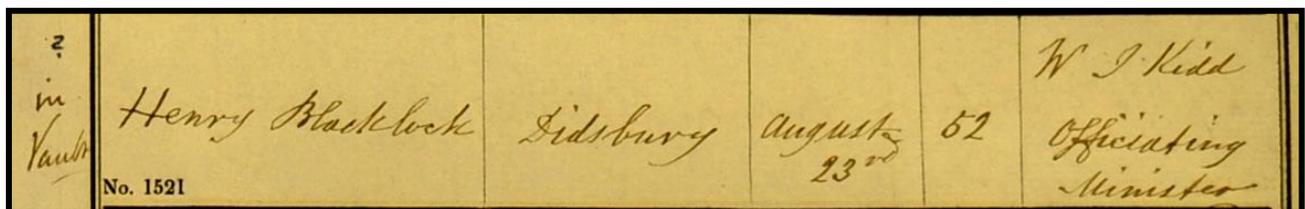
1871 census: Orchard House, Wilmslow Road, Didsbury.

67	Wilmslow Road	1	William Walker	Head	Male	52	Printer & Publisher	do	Salford
			Henry Blacklock	Head	Male	52	Printer & Publisher	do	Prestwich
			Ellen do	Wife	Female	43		do	Prestwich
			Thomas Henry do	Son	Male	21	Printer & Publisher	do	Rusholme
			Charles Wm do	Son	Male	19		do	do
			Edith Mary do	Daur	Female	17		do	do
			Frederick do	Son	Male	14		do	do
			Susan Gane	Serv	Female	55	Cook	Domestic	Shepherd
			Mary David	Serv	Female	60	Housemaid	do	Wales Rhudolun
			Charlotte Peckit	Serv	Female	56	Washed	do	Wales Comlawarth

Henry Blacklock Head M 52 Printer & Publisher
Ellen Wife M 43
Thomas Henry Son 21 Scholar
Charles William Son 19 Scholar
 Edith Mary Daur. 17 Scholar
Frederick Son 14 Scholar
 + 3 servants.

[This census was taken just over a year before the death of his eldest son].

1871: Death of **Henry Blacklock** on 19 August 1871, late of Park House, Didsbury, aged 52 years. Buried at St. Mark's on 23 August 1871.



WILL:

The will of **HENRY BLACKLOCK**, with three codicils, late of Park House, Didsbury, in the County of Lancaster, Printer and Publisher, who died 19 August 1871, at Park House, was proved at Manchester by Ellen Blacklock of Park House, Widow the Relict, George McCorquodale of Newton-le-Willows in the said county, Printer, and Henry Fairbrother of Albert Square in the city of Manchester, Printer, the Executors. Effects were under £140,000.

Under the provisions of his will, he left £100 each to the Church Missionary Society, the Foreign Bible Society and the Manchester City Mission - all legacies to be free of duty. To the wardens of the parish church of Didsbury he donated £10 for the poor. His sons were to become partners at the age of 21, each receiving one sixth of the profits. He also bequeathed amounts of money to all his staff.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Firm hitherto known and trading for many years under the joint names of "Bradshaw and Blacklock," at the following address, will from henceforth be carried on under the name and title of HENRY BLACKLOCK & COMPANY, to whom, in future, all communications in reference thereto are requested to be addressed. And Notice is also Given, that all Publications that have emanated from the late firm of Bradshaw and Blacklock, will, notwithstanding, bear the title of "Bradshaw," as heretofore; the copyright of such publications being the exclusive property of the said Henry Blacklock and Company. Albert Square, Manchester, August, 1871.

1872: Death of Thomas Henry Blacklock at Sea on 18 June 1872. His will was proved on 15 January 1885 at Manchester. Administration granted to Ellen Blacklock, Widow, the mother. Effects £2,016 5s.

The U.K. register of Deaths at Sea shows that T. H. Blacklock died on 18 June 1872 of Consumption whilst on board the Loch Earn.

1881 census: Wilmslow Road, Didsbury.

70	Wilmslow Road	1	20	Ellen Blacklock	Head	Woman	50	Share in Publishing Business	Lancashire; Manchester
				Frederick Blacklock	Son	Man	24	Printer Publisher	do; Rochdale
				Eliy. C. Cadman	Servant	Woman	54	Cook	Domestic Serv.; Chorley; Birkbeck
				Elizabeth Mitchell	Servant	Woman	29	Housemaid	do; Bradford
				Ellen Luchman	Servant	Woman	24	Washer	do; Lancaster; Salford

Ellen Blacklock Head W 50 Share in Publishing Business
Frederick Son S 24 Printer Publisher
 + 3 servants.

1883: The London Gazette – Saturday

NOTICE is hereby given, that all creditors and persons having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of Henry Blacklock, late of Park House, Didsbury, in the county of Lancaster, carrying on business at Albert Square, in the city of Manchester, and at Allen-street, Clerkenwell, in the county of Middlesex, under the style of Bradshaw and Blacklock, and afterwards of Henry Blacklock and Co., Printer and Publisher, deceased (who died on or about the 19th day of August, 1871, and whose will and codicils were proved by Ellen Blacklock, Widow, George McCorquodale, and Henry Fairbrother, the executrix and executors therein named, on the 21st day of September, 1871, in the District Registry at Manchester of Her Majesty's Court of Probate), are hereby required to send in the particulars of their claims and demands to the undersigned, Messrs. Allen, Prestage, and Halkyard, on or before the 30th day of April next; and notice is hereby also given, that after that day the said executrix and executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the said executrix and, executors shall then have notice, and that they will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim they shall not then have had notice.—Dated this 1st day of March, 1883.

ALLEN, PRESTAGE, and HALKYARD, 65,
 Princess-street, Manchester ;
 FARRAR and HALL, 79, Fountain-street, Manchester
 Joint Solicitors for the said Executrix and Executors.

Then, on 9 April **1885**, the partnership between **Ellen Blacklock**, George McCorquodale and Henry Fairbrother, under the name of Henry Blacklock & Co., was dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to and from the late firm were received and paid by his son, **Charles William Blacklock**, to whom the business had been transferred.

1891 census: Park House, Didsbury.

Ellen Blacklock Head W 67 Living on Own Means

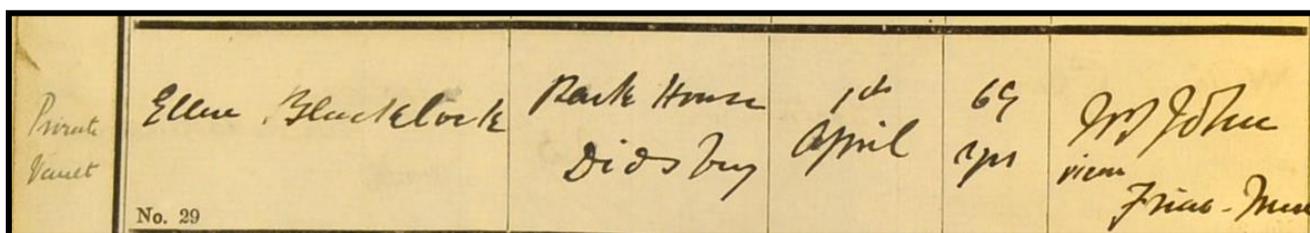
Edith Mary Bryer Daur. M 34 Do.

+ 2 servants.

[N.B. **Frederick**, born 19 June 1856; bp. 18 July 1856; had died in May **1882**; buried 13 May **1882**].

1893: Death of **Ellen Blacklock** on 28 March **1893**, aged 69 years. Buried at St. Mark's on 1 April 1893.

WILL.



*When Ellen, his wife, died on 28 March **1893**, administration of her will was granted to Charles William Blacklock, (her son), gentleman. Effects were £34,000+*

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Edith Mary had married, at St. James, Piccadilly, Richard Keown-Boyd, by licence, on 30 October 1880. The marriage allegation was granted to him on 27 October 1880. Sadly for her, the marriage did not last very long. Richard was a widower, and between the date of their marriage and 25 April 1884 he had committed adultery on several occasions and with divers persons. They had initially moved to Ballydugan, County Down, and had lived at sundry other places. They had had one child - a son still-born. Edith Mary filed for divorce on 9 May 1883, and after a bitter court hearing, she was granted a divorce for reasons of adultery and cruelty. Later, and certainly before 1891, she married Henry Farnsby Bulwer, of 128 Boulevard Sainte-Beuve, Boulogne, France. Henry died on 14 April 1903 and was buried on 18 April 1903, aged 64, in the Blacklock vault. Edith Mary Bulwer, then of Courtlands, Blundellsands, died on 18 May 1918, aged 65, and was buried on 23 May 1918 in the family vault.

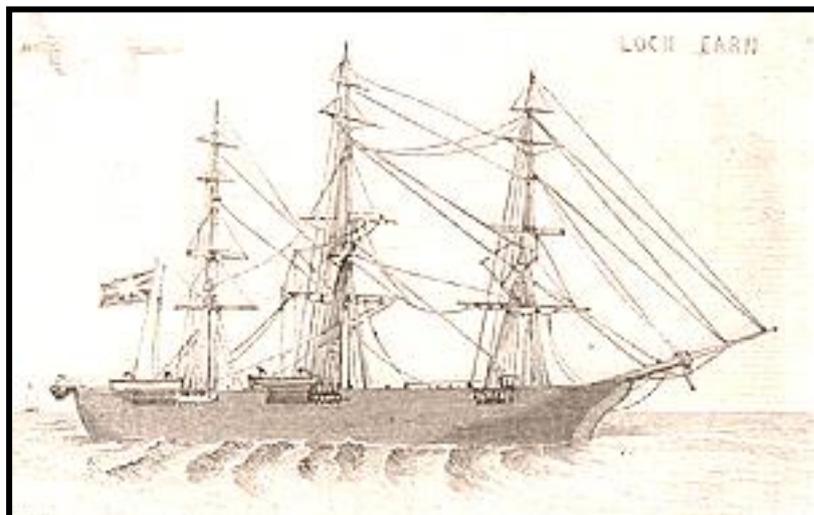
It would appear that **Charles William**, the second son, married a certain lady, Mary Ellen, about 1881. This is because in the census of 1911, it was stated that they had been married for 30 years, but with no children. By 1881, he had moved to London and was a boarder at an address in Covent Garden. He was unmarried and was 29. In 1891, they were living at 19 St. John's Wood Road, St. Marylebone. Mary came from Leeds and Charles was a printer. In 1901, they were still living at 19 St. John's Wood Road, St. Marylebone, though Mary Ellen was now said to have come from Hull! In 1911, he was living at North Hall, Kilburn, London, but Mary Ellen was now seen to be from Leeds! They did not have any children. Charles William died on 14 June 1914 at North House, 37 Lonsdale Road, Barnes, London, aged 63. In the *Manchester Guardian* of 29 Jun 1914, his wife, expressed her thanks for all the expressions of sympathy and for the many floral tributes received.

A table detailing the relevant dates of this family would show:

Henry	b. unknown	bp. 20 June 1819; d. 19 August 1871 ; bur. 23 August 1871 .
Ellen	b. 27 May 1823; bp. 3 Dec. 1824; d. 28 March 1893; bur. 1 April 1893 .	
Thomas H.	b. 18 June 1849; bp. 16 July 1849; d. at sea 18 June 1872, aged 23.	
Charles W.	b. 21 May 1851; bp. 13 July 1853; d. 15 June 1914; bur. 18 June 1914 .	
Edith M.	b. 14 May 1853; bp. 13 July 1853; d. 18 May 1918; bur. 23 May 1918 .	
Frederick	b. 19 June 1856; bp. 18 July 1856; d. May 1882 ; bur. 13 May 1882 .	



The broken anchor which stands above the memorial to the Blacklock family.



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