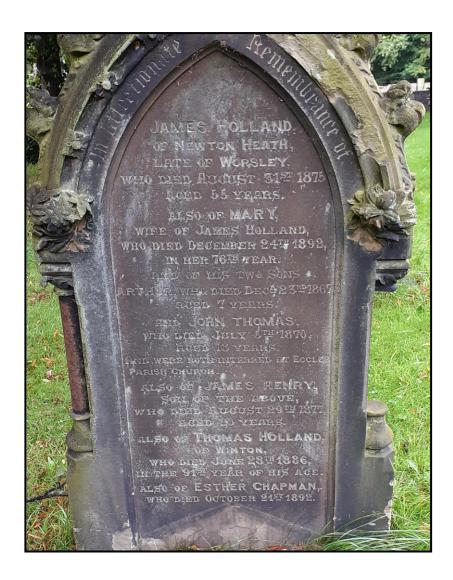
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In Affectionate Remembrance of JAMES HOLLAND of Newton Heath *late of Worsley* who died August 31st 1875 aged 55 years also of MARY wife of James Holland who died December 24th 1892 in her 76th year And of his two sons ARTHUR who died Dec 23rd 1867 aged 7 years and JOHN THOMAS who died July 5th 1872 aged 18 years and were both interred at Eccles Parish Church Also of JAMES HENRY son of the above who died August 29th 1877 aged 20 years also of THOMAS HOLLAND of Winton who died June 28th 1886 in the 91st year of his age also of ESTHER CHAPMAN who died October 21st 1892

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1820. August 13 No. 905	Sames Son of	Thomas and Betty	Holland	Wordley	Laborer	W Keeling Curate

JAMES HOLLAND was baptised at Eccles Parish Church on 13 August 1820 the son of Thomas and Betty. Thomas is the sixth name etched into the stone above. He and Betty (Elizabeth) had 5 children - James,

the eldest; Elizabeth (bp. 24 Feb 1822); Frances (bp. 9 Jan 1825); Lavinia (bp. 13 Aug 1826); and Mary (bp. 4 Sept 1831). All children were baptised at St. Mary, Eccles, at that time the only church that served the district of Worsley. There is no convincing evidence to show who Elizabeth was, or when/where they got married. There is a possibility, however, that an entry at Manchester Cathedral might provide an answer. It shows that **Thomas** Holland and Elizabeth Williamson married at Manchester Cathedral on 3 June 1816. Thomas' occupation was a Dyer.

Thomas and family appear in the 10-yearly censuses from **1841** to **1861**. In the first three, their address was given simply as Alder Forest, Worsley. His occupation in the first two was Clerk. In 1851, Lavinia, daughter, was 24 and a Steam Loom Weaver (Cotton). Mary was 19 and a Steam Loom Weaver (Silk). However, by **1861**, his job had changed to that of a Coal Salesman and the family size had shrunk to just three people - **Thomas**, now 65, with Betty (65) and daughter Lavinia (32). There was also 1 servant living with them. Sadly, by **1871**, his wife Elizabeth had died and she was buried on

15 December **1866** at St. Mary the Virgin, Eccles. At that point of time, they were living on Folly Lane, but come the census Thomas was now living at 128 Worsley Road, aged 75, with daughter Lavinia (44) and was a General Labourer. In the final census in which his name appears, **1881**, he was living at 378 Worsley Road, Winton, aged 86, and still with daughter Lavinia. No occupation was, of course, recorded, but the entry stated that he was the owner of a property in Apathorn, Cheshire, and daughter L. Holland (54) was with him. As for the faithful Lavinia, she did get married to John Unwin locally early in 1891, possibly in a Register Office. As the headstone shows, Thomas "died on June 28th **1886** in the 91st year of his age".

JAMES HOLLAND, the eldest child, married Mary Chapman on 29 August **1841** at Tyldesley. Their marriage took place at St George, Tyldesley. James Holland was given as of full age, a Mechanic, and a Bachelor of Chaddock Lane. His wife Mary Chapman was also of full age, and a Spinster, also of Chaddock Lane. The Groom's Father was Thomas Holland, a Book-keeper, and the Bride's Father was John Chapman, a Weaver. In the census taken four months earlier, he had been resident with his parents in Alder Forest. At that stage, he was 20 and his occupation was listed as an Iron Founder. His sister betty was a Silk Weaver, and Lavinia and Mary were very young.

James Holland and Mary Chapman were to have 6 children - Elizabeth (1841); Esther (1845); Sarah Ann (1848); John Thomas (1853); James H. Holland (1857); Arthur (1860). Regrettably, no record had been found to date of their baptisms. In the census of **1851**, the growing family was living with in-laws on Shop Lane, Worsley. The full record reads:

John Chapman	Head Mar	67	Formerly hand loom weaver cotton
Esther	Wife Mar	64	·
Jesse	Son Un	26	Fustian Dyer cotton
Esther	Daur. Un	24	Power loom weaver cotton
John	G'son Un	16	Fustian Dyer cotton
Esther	G'dr.	13	Winder cotton mill
James Holland	S-in-law M	30	Metal planer iron foundry
Mary	Daur. M	32	
Elizabeth	G'dr.	9	Scholar
Esther	Niece	6	Scholar
Sarah Ann	Niece	3	

All members of this extended family were born in Worsley. But it should be noted that the last two entries, Esther and Sarah Ann, were in fact granddaughters of the head, John Chapman, just like young Elizabeth.

A very similar situation existed in the **1861** census. The residence was now on Folly Lane, Worsley, but John Chapman had by now died. He was buried on 17 March 1853 at St. Mary the Virgin, Eccles.

Esther Chapman	Head Wid	74	
James Holland	S-in-law M	40	Dyer
Mary	Daur. M	40	
Elizabeth	G'dr. U	19	
Esther	G'dr. U	15	
Sarah Ann	G'dr. U	13	Scholar
John Thomas	G'son	8	
James	G'son	4	
Arthur	G'son	10 mo	
Margaret Cranshaw	Lodger U	20	

James had by now changed his career, and seems to have followed the trades of his in-laws.

So how is it that the headstone shows that he was of Newton Heath? The census of **1871** shows that the family had moved to that part of Manchester.

1871 census: 22 Culcheth Lane, Newton, Manchester.

James Holland	Head	Μ	50	Dyer and Finisher
Mary	Wife	М	49	
Elizabeth	Daur	U	25	Sticker in dyeworks
Sarah	Daur	U	20	
James H.	Son		14	Scholar

Culcheth Lane was very close to Culcheth Hall in Newton. "A family named Holland was long resident in Newton". Victoria County History of Lancashire, London, 1911. However, it is impossible to say at this stage whether this was the same family. Research continues, but it would appear from a quick survey that the Holland family lived in that area nearly 200 years before James! It is curious though that James moved into that area.

The burial registers for St. Mark's recorded:

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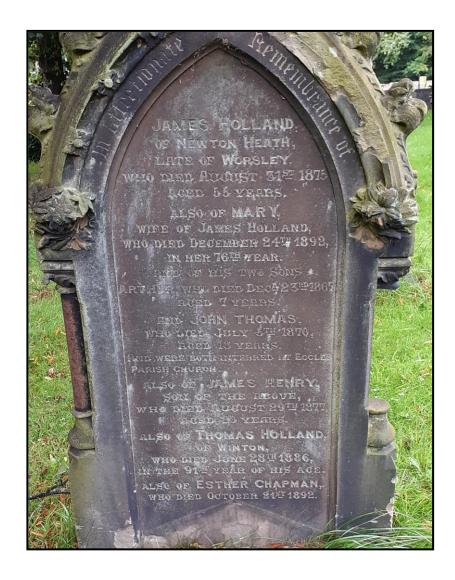
Sadly, their youngest son Arthur died at the very young age of 7 in 1867. In **1881**, according to the census, Mary (63) was living at 202 Droylsden Road, Newton, with her daughter Sarah Ann, now 29, and Esther Chapman, her sister (50). No information was given about occupation or means.

In his will, proved in 1878, he left his estate, of under $\pm 3,000$, to his widow Mary, of Culcheth Cottage, Newton Heath.

By **1891**, the situation had become a little clearer about the family. Mary (73) was living on her own means at the same address, with Esther Dutton (40, and now a widow), Esther Chapman (61, sister, and also living on her own means), and also John Isherwood Walkden,40, and a watchmaker, son-in-law, and Sarah Ann Walkden, daughter. They in turn now had a daughter Mary Elizabeth, aged 5.

Esther Chapman was buried at St. Mark's on 26 October 1892. Curiously, her abode was given as East Ham, and her age as 68, though she was most likely a little younger. The plot is J1095. In the same grave lie the bodies of John Isherwood Walkden who was buried on 19 September 1907, aged 57, and Sarah Ann Walkden who was buried on 28 May 1913, aged 65. Their address was given as 202 Droylsden Road, Newton Heath. John left his estate, in excess of £3,600, to his widow Sarah Ann and Peter Walkden, a watch material dealer.





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