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Dear Wilf,

You will no doubt be surprised by this letter and the rather large enclosure so before I ramble on about our progress with the family research perhaps I should explain the enclosure. It is a sample page only of a family calendar Russ and I will be publishing for next year. The actual 12-page calendar will be printed sometime in September. You will note that we have taken the liberty of using the two beautiful photos you sent to us. I hope you don't mind. There will be 12 other similar old family photos making up the calendar and we felt that your two, which have probably never been seen before by any of the Australian family, would be of particular interest. We are calling our publication 'THOMAS JUDD'S FAMILY BIRTHDAY CALENDAR'. The sample pages have been run off so that we can send them out to all who might be interested in receiving one or more copies when the time comes. There are more than 600 descendants of my great-grandfather Thomas. Now, a few points about the calendar -

- \* the sample is the actual size
- \* the colouring will also be the same
- \* it will be of 12 pages - 12 photos plus the 12 calendar months, spiralled in the middle with white plastic tubing. There will be a 13th photo on the cover
- \* the photos will be of people, places, documents and heirlooms, each relating to someone whose birthday appears on that month
- \* by the time it goes to print we hope to have at least 450 birthdays of the 600-odd descendants plus about 30 other early dates of interesting family happenings
- \* the cost will be somewhere between \$6.50 and \$6.75 (plus postage)

I hope you like the idea. If you are interested in receiving a copy could you let me know in plenty of time?

On the attached pages I have attempted to set out some of our findings relating to our (yours and mine) direct line ancestors. We are continually getting more information about each family. It certainly is a fascinating hobby. The Judd line seems to be relatively respectable and has the only occasional scandal but some of our other families are providing us with plenty of exciting discoveries. As you may be aware, Australia had its beginning as a convict settlement, a place for old England to deposit her unwanted. We have one proven convict (1835) in the family cupboard and three suspects (1820's). It is very surprising just what is still on record in various archives around the world and our collection of copies of original documents relating to the early family is growing fast.

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Reading back over your letter to us I have only just realised that you did not indicate if you meant the documents and photos to be returned. We assumed they were for us to keep but if that was not the case what a terrible assumption to take. Please advise if you want them returned and if so we will have copies taken immediately and send your originals back as quickly as possible - very sorry!

Another of our family from Canada has contacted us in recent months. He is Phillip Judd of 1570 Gordon Place, Cowichan Bay B.C. Phillip is a direct descendant of a Hugh Judd who we believe to have been a brother of our Peter and therefore, if our belief eventually proves to be correct, shares John Judd b.1740 as a common ancestor with you and I. We gave him your address in a recent letter.

We look forward to hearing back from you and I do hope you have no objections to your photos being used in this way.

Best wishes from a distant cousin,

*John Judd*

JUDD

PETER JUDD - our mutual great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 8th August, 1781 at Gt. Torrington, the son of JOHN & GRACE  
married 21st May, 1807 at Weare Gifford to PATIENCE SUSSEX  
buried 21st September, 1868 at St. Giles in the Wood

Peter and Patience had 13 children and lived all of their married life at North Healand, between St. Giles in the Wood and Torrington. We have a photo of their home, 'Healand House' and also an aerial photo of the farm is on its way to us. We hope to use the better of the two on the calendar. A family named Hughes is now living in 'Healand House', which is claimed to be between 250 and 300 years old.

JOHN JUDD - Peter's father - our great-great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 10th September, 1740 at Gt. Torrington, the son of HUGH & MARY  
married 26th May, 1765 at Gt. Torrington to GRACE DENBOW  
buried 30th August, 1824 at St. Giles in the Wood

We know of seven children of John and Grace - all baptised at Gt. Torrington

HUGH JUDD - John's father - our great-great-great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 12th February, 1700 at Gt. Torrington, the son of ANTHONY & AGNES  
married 20th February, 1731 at Barnstaple to MARY LEE  
buried 17th February, 1785 at Gt. Torrington

ANTHONY JUDD - Hugh's father - our great-great-great-great-great-grandfather  
married at Weare Gifford 25th June, 1695 to AGNES LONERIN (or Loverin)

The family therefore moved from Weare Gifford to Great Torrington to St. Giles in the Wood - all within a 10 mile radius. Anthony Judd does not appear to have been a native of Weare Gifford and we are now searching nearby parishes for his baptism. There was an earlier Hugh, the right age to have been Anthony's father or uncle, at nearby Buckland Brewer so we have our fingers crossed that we are on the right track.

NETHAWAY

EZEKIEL NETHAWAY - our mutual great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 9th May, 1793 at Langtree, son of EZEKIEL & ANNA  
married Mary Cole  
buried 24th August, 1861 at Langtree

Ezekiel and Mary had 11 children and lived at Dog(g)aport Farm, Langtree. The home is still standing and lived in. We have a photo of it in our collection. Our earliest reference to Dogaport Farm being in the hands of the Nethaway family is 1780. It was then owned by a Walter Dennis and leased by Ezekiel's grandfather Peter. As far back as 1330 the property was known as 'Thokirport' (Tramps' town).

EZEKIEL NETHAWAY - Ezekiel's father - our great-great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 1761 at Langtree, son of PETER & HONOR  
married 17th August, 1786 at Langtree to ANNA NETHAWAY (1st cousin)  
buried 1828 at Langtree

PETER NETHAWAY - Ezekiel's father - our great-great-great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 6th March 1712 at Langtree, son of HENRY & CHRISTIAN  
married Honor  
buried 14th June, 1796 at Langtree

HENRY NETHAWAY - Peter's father - our great-great-great-great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 28th May, 1672 at Langtree, son of HENRY & JOAN  
married 22nd December, 1709 at Little Torrington to CHRISTIAN BATE  
buried 17th May, 1748 at Langtree

HENRY NETHAWAY - Henry's father - our great-great-great-great-great-great-grandfather  
married Joan

SUSSEX

PATIENCE SUSSEX - our mutual great-great-grandmother  
bapt. 6th February, 1785 at Weare Gifford, daughter of MULFORD & SUSANNA  
married 21st May, 1807 at Weare Gifford to PETER JUDD  
buried 1st March, 1839 at St. Giles in the Wood

MULFORD (or MALLEFORD) SUSSEX - Patience's father - our great-great-great-g.  
bapt. 12th June, 1744 at Little Torrington, the son of MARY SUSSEX  
married 14th March, 1773 at Weare Gifford to SUSANNA BLAKE

MARY SUSSEX - Mulford's (unmarried) mother - our great-great-great-great-gm.  
bapt. 25th January, 1720 at Little Torrington, dau. of SAMUEL & MARGARET

SAMUEL SUSSEX - Mary's father - our great-great-great-great-great-grandfather  
bapt. 26th November, 1690 at Little Torrington, son of ABIJAH & MARY  
married Margaret

ABIJAH SUSSEX - Samuel's father - our great-great-great-great-great-great-  
married 23rd April, 1688 at Little Torrington to MARY BURDEN \granddad

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COLE

MARY COLE - our mutual great-great-grandmother  
bapt. 13th September, 1793 at Buckland Brewer, daughter of HENRY & ELIZABETH  
married Ezekiel Nethaway  
buried 17th January, 1846 at Langtree

We only discovered Mary's baptism this week so we should now be able to go further with research into the Cole family. It is likely we will now find her marriage to Ezekiel Nethaway at Buckland Brewer