

Records history: John Blair and Anne Marshall

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~~ John Blair & Anne Marshall ~~

1809, birth of John Blair, prob. Co. Antrim, Ireland. [Since he remarried on 4 Mar. 1848 at age 38, and since he died 6 Aug. 1872 at age 63 (see below). Assuming those two records are accurate he was born between 5 Mar. and 6 Aug., 1809.]

1813, birth of Anne Marshall, Ballyclare, Co. Antrim, Ireland. [IGI, submitted by an unknown person]

1834, marriage: John Blair and Anne Marshall, Ballyclare, Co. Antrim. [IGI, submitted by an unknown person]

~1838, birth, daughter Jane Blair. [Since of age 22 in 1860 marriage record.]

~1842, birth, son Samuel Blair. [1861, 1871, 1881, 1891, 1901 England Censuses]

1846, birth, 5 Jan. 1846, Andrew Marshall Blair, Ballyclare, the fifth son. [from Anna Sophia Blair's notes.]

~1847, birth, daughter Eliza Blair. [Since of age 20 in 1867 marriage record.]

~1847, death of Anne (Marshall) Blair, presumably. [Since John Blair remarried in March of 1848.]

1848, marriage: 4 Mar. 1848, John Blair, age: 38 years, widower, farmer, resident of the Townland of Ballyeaston, Parish of Ballycor, son of James Blair; and Mary Orr, age: 30 years, spinster, occupation: -----, resident of Ballynure, Parish of Ballynure, daughter of Samuel Orr, weaver. Marriage solemnized at the Registrar's Office in the town of Antrim, in the District of Antrim, according to the Provisions of the Act 1st and 2d Vic Oh 81, by license, by me, William Leetch, Registrar, in the presence of James Argue and John Service, signed by John Blair and by Mary Orr (by her mark). [FamilySearch: Ireland Civil Registrations, Marriages, 1848 vol. 1, p. 189, no. 47, film 101292, online film 005412678, img 105.]

Note: The only known child of John Blair who could have been born of Mary Orr was daughter Margaret, since Jane and Elizabeth, and Andrew (the last of five sons) were all born before 1848. We don't yet know when Margaret was born.

1860, marriage of daughter Jane Blair, age 22, to Thomas Curran (see below), in the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel in the town of Antrim. Jane was a resident of the townland and parish of Ballycor, and her father, John Blair, was a farmer.

1867, marriage of daughter Eliza Blair to John Kennedy (see below), in the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel in the town of Antrim. Eliza, age 20, was a resident of Whitepark, and her father, John Blair, was a farmer.

1872, will and probate papers of John Blair of townland of Ballycorr parish of Ballycorr, Co. Antrim, d. 6 Aug. 1872, Ballycorr, ww 18 Jun. 1872, wp 15 Nov. 1872. Mentions: wife Mary Blair; son James Blair (who was bequeathed the farm, in Ballycorr); son Robert Blair; daughter Jane Curran, of Belfast; daughter Elizabeth Kennedy; daughter Margaret McQuoid, of Ballyclare; grandson Samuel Blair; son Samuel Blair; son Andrew Blair, son Nathaniel Blair; witness Francis Blair of Ballyclare (age 21 or older); witness Andrew Blair, flax scutcher of Ballyclare, age 21 or older; witness James B. McQuoid, saddler of Ballyclare; witness John Kennedy, farmer of Castletown, Ballynure, age 30 or older.
[FHL film 930238-2, pp. 310-313, online]

1872, 6 Aug., death of John Blair, Whitepark, Ballycorr, Co. Antrim. [Will and probate papers.]

1872, death, John Blair, Antrim, Ireland, reg. dist.: Antrim, age: 63, vol. 11, GS film 101586 (dig. 004200218), p. 9, img. 17. {So b. ~1809} [FamilySearch "Ireland Civil Registration Indexes, 1845-1958"] {not available online at FHC}
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FRTV-Q24>

1877, death, Mary (Orr) Blair (she died before 7 Mar. 1877). [Letter to Andrew Marshall Blair from brother Samuel Blair, 7 Mar. 1877, 50 Church St., Workington, Cumberland, England. Samuel wrote, "Thomas Curran told us about Mothers death ..."]

~~ Jane Blair & Thomas Curran ~~

1860, marriage: 31 July 1860, Thomas Curran, 20, bachelor, tailor, resident of Ballyclare / Doagh Grange, son of Fra[nci]s, bleacher; and Jane Blair, 22, spinster, resident of the townland and parish of Ballycor, daughter of John Blair, farmer. They were married according to the Provision of the Act 7th & 8th Vic Ch 81, by license, in the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel in the town of Antrim by J.H.M.Cormack (Registrar) in the presence of James Argue, minister, and Elizabeth Cunningham; recorded by J.H.M. Cormack, Registrar, District of Antrim. [FamilySearch, "Ireland – Civil Registration – Marriage Records, 1845-1870," FHL film 101412 (online film 007719641, img 96), 1860 vol. 1, p. 179, no. 75.]

1865, birth: 27 Oct. 1865, Belfast, Anna, dau. of Thomas Curran and Jane (Blair). [FamilySearch, index for "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," film 101115 (no vol., no p. given).]
{Need vol no. and page no.}

1867, birth: 2 Dec. 1867, 34 Unity St., Belfast, Sarah [Curran], daughter of Thomas Curran, tailor, 34 Unity St., and Jane Curran, formerly Blair, registered by the mother on 24 Dec. 1867; R. B. Murdoch, Registrar, Belfast, District No. 3., Union of Belfast. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1867 vol. 16-1, p. 316, no. 150, FHL film 101155 (online film 007718812, img 174).]

1870, birth: 19 Apr. 1870, 84 Stanhope St. [Belfast]; John [Curran], son of Thomas Curran, 84 Stanhope St., tailor, and Jane Curran, formerly Blair; registered by the father on 10 May 1870; Hugh [Porter]? Rea[...]? Registrar, District of Belfast No. 3, Union of Belfast. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1870 vol. 6-1, p. 326, no. 365, FHL film 101205 (online film 007719018, img 216).]

1872, birth: 25 Feb. 1872, 84 Stanhope St. [Belfast]; Thomas [Curran], son of Thomas Curran, 84 Stanhope St., tailor, and Jane Curran, formerly Blair; registered by the mother on 13 (or 30) Mar. 1872; William Joseph Seed, Deputy Registrar, District Belfast 3, Union of Belfast. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1872 vol. 1-1, p. 332, no. 241, FHL film 255839 (online film 007720145, img 240).]

1874, birth: 2 May 1874, 84 Stanhope St. [Belfast]; Sarah Jane [Curran], daughter of Thomas Curran, 84 Stanhope St., tailor, and Jane Curran, formerly Blair; registered by the mother on 28 May 1874; William Joseph Seed, Deputy Registrar, District Belfast 3, Union of Belfast. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1874 vol. 6-1, p. 304, no. 98, FHL film 255899 (online film 007720022, img 211).]

1876, birth: 19 Apr. 1876, 84 Stanhope St. [Belfast]; Joseph [Curran], son of Thomas Curran, 84 Stanhope St., tailor, and Jane Curran, formerly Blair; registered by the father on 9 May 1876; William Joseph Seed, Deputy Registrar, District Belfast 3, Union of Belfast. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1876 vol. 6-1, p. 285, no. 123, FHL film 255951 (online film 007720059, img 183).]

1877, death, "Grand Pa" Curran {Presumably Francis Curran, father of Thomas} [Letter to Andrew Marshall Blair from his niece Lizzie Curran, 16 Sep 1877, from 84 Stanhope St., Belfast, from collection of Anna Sophia Blair, 1971. "Writing of Grand Pa Currans death. He was turning the corner at the foot of Bally Clare when struck by a horse and car, knocked down became unconscious and died in 3 hrs."]

1877, "Thomas Curran has 2 shops in {Douce}? Street employing a good many men, has 2 smelters and 2 machinists." [Letter to Andrew Marshall Blair from his sister Jane Curran, 17 Mar. 1877, 84 Stanhope St., Belfast (summarized by Anna Sophia Blair). From the notes of Anna Sophia Blair.]

1878, Birth: 24 Jan. 1878, 84 Stanhope St. [Belfast]; Rhoda, daughter of Thomas Curran, 84 Stanhope St., merchant tailor, and Jane Curran, formerly Blair; registered by the father on 14 Feb. 1878; J. I. Ellison, Deputy Registrar, District Belfast No. 3, Union of Belfast. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1878 vol. 1-1, p. 273, no. 69, FHL film 255997 (online film 007720460, img 162).]

William Curran, Military Service; UK, Merchant Seamen Records, b. Co. Antrim, ~1872,
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:KC7X-QM2>

William Curran, Pension; UK, Chelsea Pensioners' Service Records, b. Co. Antrim, ~1879.
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V5CV-1PT> (online at FHC)

William Curran, Military Service; UK, WWI Service Records, 1915, age 35, Royal Irish Fusiliers, Military Regt.: 11639, Military Battalion: 5th Sevice Battalion, b. ~1880, Co. Antrim, Ireland. GS film 007270158, img 01335.
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QVB2-P1M4> (online at FHC)

William Curran, Military Service; UK, Militia Service Records, b. ~1879, Co. Antrim. 5th Battalion IR Rifles Regt., WO 96, The National Archives, Kew, Surrey.
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:KHYL-RGS> (online at FHC)

William Curran m. ____ ____, Apr-Jun 1903, Antrim, Ireland, vol. 1, GS film 101260, p. 27, img 206.
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FY8Z-ZZ7>

William John Curran m. Apr-Jun 1908, Antrim Ireland, vol. 1, GS film 101261, p. 11, img 346.

https://familysearch.org/search/record/results?count=20&query=%2Bgivenname%3Awilliam~%20%2Bsurname%3Acurran~%20%2Bbirth_place%3A%22antrim%2C%20ireland%22~%20%2Bbirth_year%3A1878-1881~%20%2Bmarriage_place%3A%22antrim%2C%20ireland%22~%20%2Bmarriage_year%3A1895-1920~

There was a William Curran, son of Francis and Sarah Ann (Alexander) b. 30 Aug 1878, in Antrim, Co. Antrim. GS film 256008.

~ James Blair & ____ Boyd ~

bef. 1877, marriage, James Blair. [Letter to Andrew Marshall Blair from his sister Jane Curran, 17 Mar. 1877, 84 Stanhope St., Belfast (summarized by Anna Sophia Blair) "James is married to a daughter of John Boyd and has one child." From the notes of Anna Sophia Blair.]

1874, possible marriage record: James Blair m. 1874, Antrim, vol. 16, p. 15, FHL film 101252, either Elizabeth Craig Boyd, Eliza Jane Finlay or Mary Gray. [Ancestry.com, "Ireland, Civil Registration Marriages Index, 1845-1958."] {Curiously, there was an Elizabeth Craig Boyd who m. a Joseph Hetherington in 1871 in reg. dist. Antrim, on the same reg. page as Margaret An Blair and James B M'Quoid.}

Likely birth records for the children of James Blair and Elizabeth Boyd:

Annie Blair, b. 1875, regdist: antrim, vol. 11, p. 15, 101052

Mary Blair, b. 1Q 1878, antrim, vol. 1, p. 18, 101055 {"Minnie"}

Margaret Blair, b. 1Q 1880, antrim, vol. 1, p. 28, 101057

[Ancestry.com, "Ireland, Civil Registration Births Index, 1864-1958"]

1885, death: Elizabeth Blair d. 2Q 1885, age 30, reg. dist. Antrim, vol. 1, p. 16, FHL film 101593. [Ancestry.com: "Ireland, Civil Registration Deaths Index, 1864-1958."] {This may have been Elizabeth Craig (Boyd) Blair, who I presume was James Blair's 1st wife. If so, she was born ~1855 and would have been ~19 (and James ~32) in 1874 when I think they married.}

1886, 2nd marriage: James Blair m. 1Q 1886, reg. dist.: Larne, vol. 1, p. 653, FHL film 101255, either Elizabeth Fullerton or Christina M'Neill. Ancestry.com: "Ireland, Civil Registration Marriages Index, 1845-1958." {I think this is probably our James Blair and that his bride was Elizabeth Fullerton, since there was a Mary Fullerton, age 51, visitor, living with James and Elizabeth Blair at Whitepark in 1901. Elizabeth's age was 60 then.}

1888: "Ballyclare County Antrim Guide and Directory 1888," from George Henry Bassett's "The Book of Antrim," 1888, Ballyclare Directory: Farmers and Residents: (includes) Blair, James, Ballycorr.

1901 Census of Ireland, Antrim, Ballyclare, Ballycor, house 27, 31 Mar. 1901, Form A:

James Blair, head, 59, farmer (married)

Elizabeth Blair, wife, 60, farmers wife (married)

Annie Blair, daughter, 25, farmers daughter

Mary Blair, daughter, 23, farmers daughter

Margaret Blair, daughter, 21, farmers daughter

Mary Fullerton, visitor, 51, (Presbyterian)

William Bovill, servant, 26, farm servant

All were single, b. in Co. Antrim, could read & write, and N. C. Methodist, unless otherwise indicated.

Form B-1 (House and Building Return, continued) informs us that James Blair was the landlord for houses 25 and 26, with heads-of-household Alexander Reid and Eliza McQuiggan, respectively. Further

information is summarized in document Whitepark.pdf.

[National Archives of Ireland, 1901 Census of Ireland,

<http://census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Antrim/Ballyclare/Ballycor/917671/>]

Possible Elizabeth Craig (Orr) Blair death records (she was 59 in 1900):

Elizabeth Jane Blair, 63, d. 2Q 1902, reg. dist.: Larne, vol. 1, p. 492, FHL roll 0101601

Elizabeth Blair, 60, d. 3Q 1903, reg. dist.: Antrim, vol. 1, p. 5, FHL roll 0101602

Elizabeth Blair, 68, d. 2Q 1906, reg. dist.: Antrim, vol. 1, p. 13, FHL roll 0101603

[Ancestry.com, "Ireland, Civil Registration Deaths Index, 1864-1958"]

William Bovill m. Annie Blair 1Q 1902, reg. dist.: Antrim, Ireland, vol. 1, p. 37, FHL film 101260.

Mary Blair m. either John Hill or 1 of 3 others, 4Q 1909, reg. dist.: Larne, Ireland, vol. 1, p. 793, FHL film 101261.

Mary Blair m. either William Hill or William S J A Ramsay, 1Q1904, reg. dist.: Belfast, Ireland, vol. 1, p. 381, FHL film 101260.

[Ancestry.com, "Ireland, Civil Registration Marriages Index, 1845-1958"]

Probable birth records for the children of William Bovill and Annie Blair:

James Blair Bovill, b. 3Q 1903, antrim, vol. 1, p. 15, 101069

John Bovill, b. 3Q 1905, antrim, v1, p13, 101070

Annie Elizabeth Bovill, b. 1Q 1911, v1 p14, 101074

[Ancestry.com, "Ireland, Civil Registration Births Index, 1864-1958"]

1910: "Ballyclare, County Antrim," from the Belfast and Ulster Towns Directory for 1910," Inhabitants: (includes) "Blair, James, Sycamore house, Whitepark."

1911 Census of Ireland, Antrim, Ballyclare Rural, Ballycor, house 1, 2 Apr. 1911, Form A:

James Blair, head, 69, farmer, widower, can read & write

Annie Bovill, daughter, 35, married 9 years, 5 children born alive, 3 still living, can read & write

William Bovill, son in law, 36, married, farmer servant, can read & write

James Blair Bovill, grandchild, 7, scholar

John Bovill, grandchild, 5, scholar

Annie Elizabeth Bovill, grandchild, 1 mo.,

Mary Borland, 29, general domestic servant, Presbyterian, single, can read but not write

All were b. in Co. Antrim and were Methodist, unless otherwise indicated.

James Blair was the landholder on whose holding the house I situated for houses 2, 4 and 5 also, with heads-of-family Louisa McQuigan, John Clarke and Alexander Reid, respectively. Further information is summarized in document Whitepark.pdf.

[National Archives of Ireland, 1911 Census of Ireland,

http://census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Antrim/Ballyclare_Rural/Ballycor/108751/]

James Blair, death, 1911 Jul-Aug-Sep, age 63 {so b. ~1848}, reg. dist. Antrim, vol. 1, p. 12, FHL film 0101605. [FamilySearch "Ireland Civil Registration Indexes, 1845-1958"]

<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FRTV-Q24>

James Blair d. 4 Sep. 1911 at Whitepark, Ballycorr (where he resided). James Blair was a tenant farmer at Whitepark. He had a yearly tenancy at a judicial rate. His farm was of 24 acres.

Named in his will were: son-in-law John Blair of Cogry; daughter Annie Boggle (who was bequeathed his farm and land during her life; grandson James Blair Boggle (bequeathed the same, after Annie's death); daughter Minnie Hill; daughter Margaret Blair. [Will and probate papers of James Blair, Ballycorr, ww 13 Jan. 1911] ww 13 Jan 1911, d. 4 Sep 1911, p. 829. FHL films go to 1899 for Belfast district will books.]

~~ Samuel Blair & Mary Bell ~~

1861 England Census, Cumberland, Seaton, District 1 (reg. dist.: Cockermouth, sub-reg. dist.: Workington)

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/8767/CULRG9_3933_3939-0841/13252311

James Hannah, head, 40, lab[oure]r in iron works, b. Ireland

Mary -----, wife, 38, b. Ireland

Alexander -----, son, 3, b. Ireland

Samuel Blair, lodger, 20, lab[oure]r in iron works, b. Ireland

1861 England Census, Cumberland, Workington, District 18, 45 Church St.

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/8767/CULRG9_3939_3945-0118?pid=15093619

Spencer Bell, head, 44, seaman (Merchant Service), b. Cumberland, Dovenby

Ann Bell, wife, 47, b. Cumberland, Workington

Mary Bell, dau., 14, scholar, b. do.

Ann E. Bell, dau., 11, scholar, b. do.

Richard Hodgson, visitor, 84, widower, formerly seaman (Merchant Service), b. Lancashire, Bifford {Prob.

Ann (Hodgson) Bell's father}

England & Wales, Civil Registration Marriage Index, 1837-1915

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/8913/ONS_M18662AZ-0023?pid=2654661

Samuel Blair, reg. year: 1866 Jan-Feb-Mar, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, inferred county: Cumberland, vol. 10b, p. 702 (line 119) (also on this page was Mary Bell)

Samuel Blair, reg. year: 1867 Apr-May-Jun, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, inferred county: Cumberland, vol. 10b, p. 716 (or 746 line 233)

England Marriages, 1538–1973

https://familysearch.org/search/record/results?count=20&query=%2Bgivenname%3Asamuel~%20%2Bsurname%3Ablair~%20%2Bmarriage_place%3A%22workington%2C%20cumberland%2C%20england%22~%20%2Bmarriage_year%3A1865-1870~

Samuel Blair, age 23, son of John Blair, m. Mary Bell, 19, dau. of Spencer Bell, 15 Feb. 1866, Workington, Cumberland, England, GS film 1472358

England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008

<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2XQ9-XHG>

Annie Blair, birth reg., Apr-May-Jun 1868, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, co.: Cumberland, vol 10b, p. 532, line 326.

<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2XWL-RMY>

John Spencer Blair, birth reg., Jul-Aug-Sep 1870, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, co.: Cumberland, vol. 10b, p. 507, line 131.

England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975

<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NX7M-655>

Annie Blair, dau. of Samuel and Mary, chr. 14 Jun. 1868, Workington, Cumberland, England, GS film 1472357, item 14, p. 461.

<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:J92B-MS8>

John Spencer Blair, son of Samuel and Mary, chr. 24 Jul. 1870, Workington, Cumberland, England, GS film 1472357, item 15, p. 19.

1871 England Census, Cumberland, Workington, District 18, 50 Church St. (St. Michael)

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/7619/CULRG10_5241_5244-0455?pid=28779320

Samuel Blair, head, 29, forge roller, b. Ireland

Mary -----, wife, 24, b. Cumberland, Workington
John Spencer -----, son, 9 mo., b. do.

1871 England Census, Cumberland, Workington, District 18, 47 Church St. (St. Michael)
https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/7619/CULRG10_5241_5244-0444?pid=28779089
Spencer Bell, head, 54, mariner, b. Cumberland, [Bridekirk]?
Ann ----, wife, 57, b. Cumberland, Workington
Ann Elizabeth, dau., 21, b. do.
Anne Blair, granddaughter, 2, b. do.

England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:J7FZ-54G>
Elizabeth Jane Blair, dau. of Samuel and Mary, chr. 31 Aug. 1873, Workington, Cumberland, England, GS film 1472357, item 15, p. 93.

England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2XC4-7X1>
Eliza Jane Blair, birth reg., Jul-Aug-Sep 1873, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, co.: Cumberland, vol 10b, p. 546, line 128.
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2XDB-RRS>
Mary Marshall Blair, birth reg., Jul-Aug-Sep 1876, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, co.: Cumberland, vol. 10b, p. 578, line 97.

1881 England Census: Cumberland, Workington, District 19 , St. Michael ecclesiastical parish, 50 Church St.
https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/7572/CULRG11_5177_5180-0239?pid=2326239
Samuel Blair, head, 39, engine fitter, b. Ireland
Mary -----, wife, 34, dressmaker, b. Cumberland, Workington
Annie -----, dau., 12, b. do.
John S. -----, son, 10, scholar, b. do.
Eliza J. -----, dau., 7, [scholar], b. do.
Mary M. -----, dau., 4, b. do.

England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008
<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2XJV-JFV>
Ada Maggie Blair, birth reg., Jul-Aug-Sep 1881, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, county: Cumberland, vol. 10B, p. 553, line 281.

U.K., City and County Directories, 1600s-1900s; England, Cumberland, 1883 Bulmer's History and Directory of West Cumberland
<https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/1547/GB0929-00312/761418>
Blair Samuel, shopkeeper, 50 Church street

1886, 11 June, letter from Samuel Blair, 50 Church St., Workington, to brother Andrew in NJ: Son (John Spencer Blair) is serving an apprenticeship to be a schoolmaster. Samuel has not been home since his father's death (1872). Brother James's wife died and he remarried (Samuel does not know her name). Brother Nathaniel died. (Brother) Robert was out to Workington for two years, but work got so bad he moved to Belfast and got work there. Samuel is wondering about the possibility of work in America, as a blacksmith or engineman. He would come to America if Andrew could promise him work.

England and Wales Death Registration Index 1837-2007
<https://familysearch.org/search/record/results?count=20&query=%2Bgivenname%3Amary~%20%20>

[2Bsurname%3Ablair~%20%2Bbirth_place%3A%22workington%2C%20cumberland%2C%20england%22~%20%2Bbirth_year%3A1875-1877~%20%2Bfather_givenname%3Asamuel~%20%2Bfather_surname%3Ablair~%20%2Bmother_givenname%3Amary~](https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/6598/CULRG12_4305_4307-0428?pid=25824645)

Mary Marshall Blair, d. Apr-May-Jun 1890, eg. dist.: Cockermouth, co.: Cumberland, age 13, vol 10b, p. 379, line 133.

1891 England Census: Cumberland, Workington, District 28, 50 Church St. (St. Michael)

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/6598/CULRG12_4305_4307-0428?pid=25824645

Samuel Blair, head, 49, engineer, b. Ireland

Mary -----, wife, 44, b. Workington, Cumberland

Annie -----, dau., single, 23, b. do.

Eliza Jane -----, dau., single, 17, dress maker, b. do.

Ada Maggie -----, dau., 9,

John Spencer -----, son, single, 20, assistant schoolmaster, b. do.

Berty -----, grandson, 5 mo., b. do.

England Marriages, 1538–1973

<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NXK5-9DX>

John Spencer Blair, 25, son of Samuel, m. Ann Mitchinson, 28, dau. of John, 6 Apr. 1896, Workington, Cumberland, England, GS film 1472358.

England and Wales Marriage Registration Index

<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:26M8-6ZK>

Eliza Jane Blair m. Jul-Aug-Sep, 1897, reg. dist.: Cockermouth, co.: Cumberland, vol 10b, p. 918, line 221, either James McDowall Algie or John Peel.

1901 England Census: Cumberland, Workington, District 21 (St Michael), 18 Corporation d (Shop) (Co-op store)

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/7814/CULRG13_4884_4886-0167?pid=31240498

Samuel Blair, head, widower, 59, stationary engine driver, b. Ireland

Annie -----, dau., single, 29, b. Cumb, Workington

Ada M. -----, dau., 19, dress maker, own acct, b. do.

Bertie -----, gr son, 10, b. do.

1901 England Census: Cumberland, Workington, District 24 (St Michael), 18 Harcourt St.

James McD Algie, head, 30, steelworks labourer, b. Cumbd. [Chaler Moer]?

Eliza J. -----, wife, 27, b. do. Workington

Elsie ---, dau., 1, b. do.

England & Wales, Civil Registration Death Index, 1837-1915

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/8914/ONS_D19024AZ-0354?pid=3093907

Samuel Blair, b. ~1840, reg. year: 1902, Oct-Nov-Dec, age at death: 62, reg. district: Cockermouth, inferred County: Cumberland, vol. 10b, p. 398

https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/8914/ONS_D19002AZ-0044?pid=3093438

Mary Blair, b. ~1830, reg. year: 1900, Jan-Feb-Mar, age at death: 70, eg. district: Cockermouth, inferred Conty: Cumberland, vol 10b, p. 469 {prob. wrong person}

~~ **Robert Blair** ~~

1877, "Robert is married and has two children." [Letter to Andrew Marshall Blair from his sister Jane Curran, 17 Mar. 1877, 84 Stanhope St., Belfast (summarized by Anna Sophia Blair). From the notes of

Anna Sophia Blair.]

~~ **Andrew Marshall Blair** ~~

(See the records history for the Andrew Marshall Blair family.)

~~ **Eliza Blair & John Kennedy** ~~

1867, marriage: 18 Jun. 1867, John Kennedy, 36, single, farmer, resident of Castletown, son of John Kennedy, farmer; and Eliza Blair, 20, spinster, resident of Whitepark, daughter of John Blair, farmer. They were married by license in the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel in the parish and town of Antrim by Saml. [Sonis]?, minister. Witnesses: Thos. P. [Fisher]? and Andrew Blair. [FamilySearch, "Ireland – Civil Registration – Marriage Records, 1845-1870," FHL film 101590 (online film 007720089, img 27), 1867 vol. ?, p. 39, no. 6.]

William Kennedy, b. 16 Aug. 1867, Doagh, Co. Antrim, son of John and Eliza (Blair), FHL film 101150. {Need vol. no. and page no. to find record.}

1869, birth: 22 May 1869, Castletown, Ballynure, David [Kennedy], son of John Kennedy, farmer, Castletown, and Eliza Kennedy, formerly Blair, registered by the mother on 11 Jun. 1869; Crawford Blair, Registrar, District of Ballynure, Union of Larne, Co. Antrim. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1869 vol. 6, p. 698, no. 383, FHL film 101185 (online film 007718924, img 429).]

1871, birth: 27 Mar. 1871, Castletown, Ballynure, Ann Lyle [Kennedy], daughter of John Kennedy, farmer, and Eliza Kennedy, formerly Blair; registered by the father on 13 Apr. 1871; Crawford Blair, Registrar, District of Ballynure, Union of Larne, Co. Antrim. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1871 vol. 6 p. 687, no. 178, FHL film 255818 (online film 007720128, img 136).]

1873, birth: 26 Mar. 1873, Castletown, Ballynure, John Blair [Kennedy], son of John Kennedy, farmer of Castletown, and Eliza Kennedy, formerly Blair; registered by the mother on 19 Apr. 1873; Crawford Blair, Registrar, District of Ballynure, Union of Larne, Co. Antrim. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1873 vol. 6 p. 687, no. 10, FHL film 255875 (online film 007720178, img 164).]

1876, birth: 4 Oct. 1876, Castletown, Ballynure, Jane [Kennedy], daughter of John Kennedy, farmer of Castletown, and Eliza Kennedy, formerly Blair; registered by the mother on 26 Oct. 1876; Patrick Henry White, Registrar, District of Ballynure, Union of Larne, Co. Antrim. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1876 vol. 16 p. 571, no. 35, FHL film 255962 (online film 007720050, img 337).]

1878, birth: 18 Jul. 1878, Castletown, Ballynure, Minnie [Kennedy], daughter of John Kennedy, farmer of Castletown, and Eliza Kennedy, formerly Blair; registered by the mother on 8 Aug. 1878; Patrick Henry White, Registrar, District of Ballynure, Union of Larne, Co. Antrim. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955," 1878 vol. 1 p. 584, no. 49, FHL film 256008 (online film 007720469, img 391).]

1880, birth: 25 Jan. 1880, Castletown, Ballynure, Minnie [Kennedy], daughter of John Kennedy, farmer of Castletown, and Eliza Kennedy, formerly Blair; registered by the father on 14 Feb. 1880; William Park Blair, Registrar, District of Ballynure, Union of Larne, Co. Antrim. [FamilySearch, "Quarterly returns of births

in Ireland, 1864-1955,” 1880 vol. 1 p. 620, no. 26, FHL film 256043 (online film 007720509, img 403).]

1888: “Ballynure County Antrim Guide and Directory 1888,” from George Henry Bassett’s “The Book of Antrim,” 1888, Ballynure: Farmers and Residents: (includes) Kennedy, John, Dunturkey.

~~ **Margaret Blair & James McQuoid** ~~

Margaret may have been b. ~1851, if the 1880 death record given below is actually for her, as we think it is. So she would have been a child of John Blair’s second marriage.

Margaret An [sic] Blair m. (whom?), 1871, Antrim, Ireland, reg. Dist.: Antrim, vol. 6, p. 41, GS film 101251, dig. Folder 004179384, img 356. [FamilySearch “Ireland Civil Registration Indexes, 1845-1958” <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FYSF-RT1> Index of marriages 1869-1872, film 101251, online film 004179384, Image not available

Margaret An [sic] Blair m. James B M’Quoid, 1871, reg. Dist.: Antrim, Ireland, vol. 6, p. 41, FHL film 101251. (Also, Elizabeth Craig Boyd m. Joseph Hetherington, same page.) [Ancestry.com, “Ireland, Civil Registration Marriages Index, 1845-1958”]

1872, birth: 27 Jul. 1872, Ballyclare, Doagh Grange, Co. Antrim; William [McQuoid], son of James McQuoid, saddler of Ballyclare, and Margaret McQuoid, formerly Blair; registered by the father on 21 Aug. 1872; [D]?. A. Clugstow, Registrar, District of Doagh, Union of Antrim, Co. Antrim. [FamilySearch, “Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955,” 1872 vol. 11-2, p. 17, no. 269, FHL film 255856 (online film 007720159, img 18).]

1876, birth: 18 May 1876, Kirkcubbin, Co. Down; James Bailie [McQuoid], son of James Bailie McQuoid, saddler of Kirkcubbin, and Margaret McQuoid, formerly Blair; registered by the father, 12 Jun. 1876; Peter Macarthur, Registrar, District of Grey abbey, Union of Newtownards, Co. Down. [FamilySearch, “Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955,” 1876 vol. 6-2, p. 930, no. 316, FHL film 255951 (online film 007720059, img 556).]

1878, birth: 30 Jun. 1878, Kirkcubbin, Co. Down; Margaret Ann [McQuoid], daughter of James McQuoid, saddler of Kirkcubbin, and Margaret Ann McQuoid, formerly Blair; registered by the father on 5 Aug. 1878; Peter Macarthur, Registrar, District of Grey abbey, Union of Newtownards, Co. Down. [FamilySearch, “Quarterly returns of births in Ireland, 1864-1955,” 1878 vol. 1-2, p. 839, no. 253, FHL film 256008 (online film 007720469, img 545).]

William John McQuoid, b. ~1872, Co. Antrim, UK, Chelsea Pensioners' Service Records, 1760-1913, online {Found it on Ancestry.com: "UK, Royal Hospital Chelsea Pensioner Soldier Service Records, 1760-1920", age 18, b. Ballyclare, Antrim, service start year: 1890, regiment: Royal Artillery, Regimental Number: Ra/78689, Attestation Paper: Yes. View orig. folder on Fold3.}

*William Cowan Mcquoid, b. 31 Mar. 1865, Belfast, son of James Bailie Mcquoid and Jane Cowan. GS film 101105, v 6-1 p 380 {son of a first marriage?} <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FPWQ-LY1>

James McQuoid m. 1846, FHL film 101241, vol. 4, p. 761, either Jane Emison, Margaret Baily or Eliza Watson, reg. dist.: Downpatrick. [Ancestry.com, “Ireland, Civil Registration Marriages Index, 1845-1958”] {Prob. James Bailey McQuoid’s father.}

1880, deaths? {Probably Margaret Ann (Blair) McQuoid and her daughter}:
Margaret Ann M'Quoid, 28, d. 2Q 1880, reg. dist.: Newtownards, vol. 1, p. 757, FHL roll 101590.
Margaret Ann M'Quoid, 2, d. 2Q 1880, reg. dist.: Newtownards, vol. 1, p. 759, FHL roll 101590.
[Ancestry.com, "Ireland, Civil Registration Deaths Index, 1864-1958."]

{Look for that 1st marriage. Look for death of Jane McQuoid betw. 1865 and 1871.}

Kircubbin, Co. Down, is on the shores of Strangford Lough.

~~ Nathaniel Blair ~~

Nathaniel was probably b. ~1855, per the death record below (age 28 in 1Q 1884), so he would have been a child of John Blair' s second marriage.

1877, "Nathaniel is staying with us {the Thomas Curran family, in Belfast}. Served his time in the tailoring business and is now working with Thomas." [Letter to Andrew Marshall Blair from his sister Jane Curran, 17 Mar. 1877, 84 Stanhope St., Belfast (summarized by Anna Sophia Blair). From the notes of Anna Sophia Blair.]

Nathaniel died before 5 Dec. 1884, according to a letter to Andrew Marshall Blair from 22 Twickenham St, Belfast, of that date. Unfinished letter, no signature.

1884, death, Nathaniel Blair, 1Q 1884, age 28, reg. Dist.: Belfast, vol. 1, p. 211, FHL film 101592.
[Ancestry.com "Ireland, Civil Registration Deaths Index, 1864-1958"]

{This is probably him, since the letters in Anna Sophia Blair' s notes tell that he died on Tues. Mar. 25th, some year between 1877 and 1884, and the only years in that period in which 25 Mar. fell on a Tues. were 1879 and 1884. Samuel Blair Dec. 1884 letter tells Andrew that Nathaniel has died, so it' s more likely 1884 than 1879. Nathaniel died at Thomas Curran' s house, 22 Twickenham St., Belfast.}