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Settle, Giggleswick, Milnthorpe, Bampton Roof
(sometimes stayed overnight)

As a boy used to go with father in a gig
- he said his father came out of dancing school
wouldn't allow boys to dance, & they had to sit
outside waiting for him.

Shuffle off - with a heel beat, toe down.

Treble shuffle - with a flatter & spring.

A form of rolling + knock toe & heel.

Had couch.

- got crack on head from violin stick.

After heard her father say that her grandfather had
something to do with a hobbit, well.

grandparents lived at Foxfield for a number of years.
mother & father lived with old Jos for a long time.

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Mrs Kate Joy (née Stainton), 27 Ridge St
Lancaster, aged 69.

Daughter of Thomas Stainton and Margaret Robinson;
- they moved to Lancaster in 1893. He was a
cab driver all his life. She knows a good deal
about the ~~dear~~ family background, for she used to
spend her school holidays at Lakeside at West View.

So far as she knows, only Stainton & Alf R
knight dancing - the other didn't. Kate became
Mrs Booth, & there are descendants (Henry Booth
& daughters in Maccambe).

She can remember her mother saying ⁽¹⁾ that her father
(old Jos) learnt the violin by himself - he made his
own fiddle & in order to learn on it - this was when
he was a boy.

(2) Old Jos & his wife had the old bobbin mill
at Cunsay - they ran it, probably didn't own it. She
doesn't know grandmother's maiden name. They used to
row across the lake for their groceries - her mother
was once bumped by a steamer.

(3) According to her mother, old Jos didn't teach
dancing until he left the bobbin mill. Pretty certain
about all this.

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Old Jos employed a few apprentices at Cussey, & the family helped. His mother worked in the house, others in the mill. His mother died at age of 48 in 1915, so born in 1867 - no idea when they left bobbin mill. They had a fire at the bobbin mill, and they left there.

③ All the cups - for dog showing & bird fancying, & the family bible, ^(+ photos) came to her mother, & when mother died, Alf came & asked for them & her mother handed them over, except for one cup & a big picture - probably the original of my photo with dog.

④ She herself never went to dancing classes & never learnt step dancing, though she saw Uncle Alf & old Jos step dance.

⑤ Her grandfather had a ball at Camforth, & she went - she would have been about 3 or 10.

The children put swords in floor & were in balls.

4 children, 2 boys, 2 girls  & swords.

all over the same set of swords. somehow followed each other. mother & father took them to see the ball.

Never attended any of Alf's balls.

⑥ Father came from Lindal in Cumbria, worked for himself as a coach-driver. a Mr Fisher as coach-driver, at Lakeside. Used to help old Jos by taking the dogs at the classes - used to collect the cash.

⑦ Her mother couldn't play - she used to go dancing.

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Henry Booth worked on the Heyghon - side of Mawbrats. Two daughters were named, & doesn't know where they live. Son is still in Morecambe.

Mrs Booth played piano & went much longer with the dancing - younger than mother. Her mother was next to Stanton R. ~~Mother didn't know why Stanton R was~~ grandma's name was Stanton - no relative of hers; don't know where she came from.

Old Jos ~~was~~ made his fiddle as a boy, taught himself to play.

Alf never taught in Lancaster or Morecambe itself, only in County districts.

Believe old Jos came out of Scotland when he was younger - didn't belong to the lakes so far as she knew.

Bob could step dance, but never taught it - sometimes ~~his son or daughter~~ went with old Jos to help if Uncle Alf wouldn't go. He has one daughter, lives somewhere down near Burnley.

Jos took in visitors ^(Jos & wife were) ordinary folk, not wealthy. Only had himself & sons in the coaching business.

Mother said they didn't ^(have) look enry - when they were
learning - there was a smack with the stick for old Job,
& it didn't matter who they were.

Joseph & Margaret Robinson, named
Dec. 25th, 1861.

Stanton Battersby Feb. 26th, 1863.
Margaret Jane July 16th, 1865
Matthew George

Albert. Aug. 18. 1882.

Henry Booth lives on Brejean ^{Road} ~~Avenue~~
back of Rosebery Avenue.

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Mr Smithson

Remembers father saying old Jos had the bobbin mill at Cusey - apparently owned it.

Mr Henry Booth
15 Brendjean Rd,
Morecombe

~~Mr~~ Mrs Sellers
16 Miles Platting
Manchester

Mr Hall
13 Russell St
Lytham St Annes.

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Joseph Robinson,

Son of Alf.

His father taught up to about 1928 or 9. The class at Dolphinstone was one of the last, & had to pass the fiddle because classes were so poorly attended.

Old Jos's parents died about his age of 14 or 15, & then he became a bobbin-turner at Cusey. Thinks father was born at Cusey. Father ^(Alf) never worked until age of 21 - always worked for father. Don't know where he came from

Joseph & Margaret Robinson
 Married Dec. 25th, 1861.

Stanton Battersby Robinson	26. Feb. 1863	Oct 9. 1902.
& Jane Smith	Oct. 18. 1883.	11 July 1915
Margaret Jane Robinson,	16 July 1865	11 July 1915
Thomas Stanton	Oct 11. 1890	
Matthew George Robinson	B. 3. April 1868	
	D. 3 Aug. 1873.	
John Thomas	6 Feb. 1871.	
Catherine Elizabeth R.	8 May 1873.	D. 1942
Mary Ann R.	B. 27 Aug. 1875	
	D. 1. Dec. 1879	
Joseph William R.	21 Oct. 1877.	
Robert Henry R.	11 Oct. 1879.	
Albert Threlfall R.	18 Aug 1882.	

Let him know if I trace the family
 further back.

Mrs Frances Gray (nie Allen). c. 57

Born & brought up in Kendal, & so did her parents.
 Her parents were both dancers, & used to go to Avey's
 dances up Entry Lane. They were ballroom dancers, &
 couldn't step dance. Probably learnt from Avey. Her parents
 taught her to dance before she went to T.C.
 Mrs Gray went to ~~the~~ Tommy Cannon about 1916-7.

She was one of his first pupils in Kendal - in
 Blackhall Yard. The others were 3 Hoggwith kids,
 Tommy Robinson, John Wright,

This was probably his first class in Kendal, & there were
 only a few pupils. The class was 4% - 6% Tuesdays,
 Thursdays, & Saturday afternoons. A quarter was 13 weeks,
 & the fee was 10/- for the quarter. On the Friday
 of the last week was the ball. Then after a gap
 of 2-3 weeks, he would start again.

Mrs Gray started the dancing at the age of 10. Kept
 on until she left school (at 14). Just before she left
 school she took an overflow class for him for a quarter.
 She had little ones from c. 7-10.

St Georges Hall is in Blackhall Yard, & he had the
~~big~~ (At that time St Georges Hall was a theatre,
 & T.C. had the lower hall. During the war there were