

Various notes on the family of Blanche Anstey

Source: Handwritten notes in collection of Regional Rowsell

Blanche Anstey

Eldest daughter and child of Henry and Mary Alice (Taylor) Anstey.

Blanche was born at Little Bay, a mining town, in Green Bay, Notre Dame Bay, Nfld. Little Bay Islands, where Blanche's grandfather, William Anstey, lived is at the mouth of Little Bay.

Blanche was born on February 27, 1890.

Blanche's sisters and brothers were:

Hanna Anstey	who married Noah Spurrell of Badger's Quay, Bonavista Bay, Nfld. Her children (my first cousins) I have contacted this year (1980) Mrs. Isaac Badcock, St. John's Harry Spurrell, of Wareham, B.Bay Mrs. Cluny Waterman, Wareham Mrs. John Waterman, Wareham ? Spurrell, Edmonton, Alberta
John Anstey	married Nellie Guy
Joseph Anstey	Bachelor
Olive Anstey	Spinster
Victoria Anstey	Married Augustus Moores
Norman Anstey	died at 6 months (here is where I get my second name, Norman)
Lillian Anstey	Married Rex Butler
Mamie Anstey	Died at Hampden in 1927

Mary Alice Taylor

My grandmother [RNR's] on my mother's side of the family.

She was born on March 1, 1868.

Mary Alice Taylor's sisters:

- Joan - who married Lloyd Butt
- Caroline - who married Tilley
- Elizabeth - who married Wiseman

Mary Alice Taylor's brothers:

- Jacob Taylor
- James Taylor
- William Taylor

Mary Alice Taylor was born at Burnt Head, Cupids, Nfld.

Her father, Robert Taylor, my great grandfather, lived at Burnt Head where he is buried.

Henry Anstey

Born on June 23, 1865

He was my grandfather, that is father of Blanche, my mother.

He married Mary Alice Taylor who was born on March 1, 1868. Her mother died when Mary was 10 years of age. Married by Rev. H. Hatcher.

Henry's father, William, died at the age of 93 about 1900.

Henry Anstey's brothers were:

- George Anstey - Married a Wiseman.
Children: Alex Anstey
Alex, his wife and daughter, lived at Little Bay Islands when I was there as UC minister 1940-1941. Alex's son,

Reginald, worked at the paper company's offices, when I was there in 1927-1929. He went to the USA afterwards.

Richard Anstey - whose daughter, my second cousin Iris, married Rev. T.R. Mills. When I was at Little Bay Islands, 1940-41, Iris worked in her father's general merchant's store. Iris had worked for some years as a travelling worker for the Nfld. Jubilee Guild. Richard had one son, Nelson, whose wife, Fanny, married Douglas Tuffin.

Peter Anstey - who married a Taylor, a cousin of my grandmother, Henry's wife, that is Mary Alice Taylor. [??- N.E.]

Abel Anstey - who married a Stuckless

Peter - who died young - his wife married a Samuel Newman of Triton [?? did Henry Anstey have two brothers named Peter? - N.E.]

Henry Anstey's Sisters were:

Virtue - who married Thomas Jones

Esther - who married John Jones

Susannah - who married a Stuckless

Lydia - who married a Wellman

Priscilla - who married a Tuffin

Taylor (Anstey)

William Taylor - uncle of grandmother Anstey

Nathaniel Taylor - uncle of grandmother Anstey

Both of these on her father's side.

William Anstey

Andrew Joe (a Micmac Indian) said of Wm Anstey, who "talked and talked o' 'is 'ligion [religion] till bum bye he makes me mad." He said "you Bill Anstey, you go yum way, I go my way, You not allowed in heaven because you too floxy (foxy = red hair)"

This red hair of our great grandfather came out in two of my brothers, especially Joseph and Arthur, and a tint of it in others, Mary and Ruth.

This Andrew Joe also passed occasionally through Nicholsville, near Deer Lake. Wm. Nichols saw him on a number of occasions (see my file on Nichols). [note: I have not found this file. N.E.]

Robert Taylor

Brothers and sisters of Robert Taylor:

Jacob Taylor (Eli Taylor, son of Jacob)

Nathaniel

Joseph

William

Ann

Elizabeth

Mary Jane

Sons and daughters of Robert Taylor

Jacob married Wiseman

William married Susannah May Boone

James married Emily Boone (sister of Susannah above)

Elizabeth married Wiseman

Caroline married Tilley

Mary married Henry Anstey

Johannah married Lloyd Butt

A son who died young.

Two first cousins:

Mrs. Geo. Butler (Grace Hannah Mary of William)
Mrs. Henry Bishop (Lilly Johannah of William)
Robert John Taylor - son of William
Harvey Taylor - son of William
Wm John Taylor - son of James at South River
Mrs. Thos Moores - Mary Grace daughter of James, at the Brook
Mrs. Thos Mugford - Sophie of James

Anne Anstey - daughter of Henry & Mary Anstey.

Her children are:

Madeline - married Gilbert Goodyear, Lumsden, Bonavista Bay, Nfld.
Trixie - married Robert Tucker, Wareham, Bonavista Bay, Nfld.
Leah - married John Waterman, Wareham, Trinity Bay [?], Nfld.
Gideon Spurrell - [an Alberta address given here. Contact me if you'd
like it. - N. Elliott]
Mae - married Cluny Waterman, Wareham, Bonavista Bay, Nfld.
Muriel - married Isaac Badcock, [St. John's address given here.
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Harry Spurrell, Wareham, Bonavista Bay, Nfld.

Mrs. Alex Webber of Cupids is a daughter of Mrs. George Butler who is first
cousin of mother.

My great Aunt, Ann Rowsell, married Ambrose Churchill. Her children as
mentioned to me by Florence Miller in 1968:

Samuel - married Edith Cresswell
sons: Bertram, Francis (in USA)
Bert - never married
Emma - married Valentine (killed by a car)
Jessie - never married
Lydia - never married

Did Grandmother Rowsell have a sister who married Philip Knee or was it a
relative?

Andrew Rowsell - his son, Rex Rowsell
Andrew is Mrs. Charles Butler's mother's (Mugford before marriage) sister's
brother.