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Capt William Claude Frederick Vaudrey BARKER-MILL Rifle

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| Age | ivallie. | Brigade 8th (S) I | Capt. W. C. P. V. BARKER-MILL, Rife Brigade. |
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| | AKA: | | William Claude VAUDREY, William Claude Frederick VAUDREY-BARKER-MILL |
| | Parents: | | William Vaudrey BARKER-MILL (born about 1814 in Stockport, Chester - died 11 Mar 1887 in Eling, HAM, ENG) and Marianne (born about 1846 in York - died in 1932) |
| 42 | Life Range | 1874 - 15 Sep 1916 | |
| ~-60 | Abt 1814 | Birth of Father: | William Vaudrey BARKER-MILL (born about 1814 in Stockport, Chester - died 11 Mar 1887 in Eling, HAM, ENG). In Stockport, Chester. |
| ~-28 | Abt 1846 | Birth of Mother: | Marianne (born about 1846 in York - died in 1932). In York. |
| 0 | 1874 | Birth: | Mottisfont Abbey, Eling, HAM, ENG. |
| 7 | 1881 | Census: | Eling, HAM, ENG. Langley Manor House: William VAUDREY, 67, Owner of Land & Houses, born Stockport Chester Marianne, 35, born York Wm C. F. B. M., 7, Scholar, born Eling Mary E., 4, born Eling Edward C., 3, born Eling Maud E., 2, born Eling John H., 5 months, born Eling (Plus 6 Servants) RG11; Piece: 1204; Folio: 131; Page: 12-13; GSU roll: 1341295 |
| ~13 | Abt 1887 | Birth of Spouse: | Mary Brenda Nepenthe COLLINS (born about 1887 in Kensington, LDN, ENG - died 27 Sep 1971). |
| 13 | 11 Mar 1887 | Death of Father: | William Vaudrey BARKER-MILL (born about 1814 in Stockport, Chester - died 11 Mar 1887 in Eling, HAM, ENG). |
| 14 | 1888 | Probate: | Father. £23,514 |
| 17 | 1891 | Census: | Eling, HAM, ENG. Langley Manor: Marianne VAUDREY, 45, widow, Own Means, born York Maude E., 12, born Eling John H., 10, born Eling Thomas R. S., 8, born Eling [Thomas Raymond Stephen Vaudrey Barker-Mill, served] (Plus 4 Servants) RG12; Piece: 912; Folio: 121; Page: 10; GSU roll: 6096022. |
| 27 | 1901 | Census: | Colbury, HAM, ENG. Langley Manor: Marianne VAUDREY, 55, widow, Own Means, born York W. C. F. B. M., 26, born Eling Mary E., 24, born Eling [Mary Emily Vaudrey Barker-Mill, died 1964] Maude E., 22, born Eling [Maude Ellen Deston Vaudrey Barker-Mill, died 1940] John H., 20, born Eling [John Hugh Vaudrey Barker-Mill - served] (Plus 4 Servants) RG13; Piece: 1052; Folio: 98; Page: 6 Edward C. VAUDREY, 23, Own Means, a boarder at 60 Catherine Street, St Thomas, Wiltshire along with Elizabeth L. BENTON, 49, Widow, Own |

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| Name: | Brigade 8th (| Claude Frederick Vaudrey BARKER-MILL Rifle S) Bn |
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| 1905 | Marriage: | Mary Brenda Nepenthe COLLINS (born about 1887 in Kensington, LDN, ENG - died 27 Sep 1971). |
| 1911 | Census: | Mottisfont Abbey, HAM, ENG. Claude Vaudrey BARKER-MILL, 37, Private Means, born Eling HAM The Hon. Brenda, 24, married 5 years, 2 children both living, born Kensington, London Elizabeth, 4, born Kensington, London [Mary Elizabeth, born 1907] Peter, 2, born Italy (Plus a visitor and 8 servants) RG14; Piece: 6084; Schedule Number: 65 |
| 1916 | Probate: | £583. To his widow. [Indexed under William Claude Frederick MILL, p. 228 of 1916.] |
| 15 Sep 1916 | Death: | |
| | Burial: | Delville Wood Cemetery, Longueval, France. |
| | | 2nd Lieut. John (Jack) Hugh Vaudrey Barker-Mill 7282 SUPPLEMENT TO THE LONDON GAZETTE, 24 JULY, 1915 Second Lieutenant John Hugh Vaudrey Barker-Mill, 1st Battalion The Duke of Edinburgh's (Wiltshire Regiment). For conspicuous gallantry on 16th June, 1915, at Hooge, when, after leading an assault with great dash, he succeeded in taking some 300 yards of the enemy's trench, capturing many prisoners and two machine guns. Although wounded he remained with his company consolidating the position gained. Charterhouse & New College Oxford, Farmer, son of William [Charterhouse Register to 1911] |
| | | 2nd Lieutenant Thomas Raymond Stephen Vaudrey BARKER-MILL Rifle Brigade; 339/33736 Survived, died 1967. Charterhouse & New College Oxford, Schoolmaster, 4th son of William of Eling, HAM [Charterhouse Register to 1911]; married 1917, Miss Adela Amy PARRY. Headmaster of Stoke House, Seaford. |
| | Memorials: | Colbury Memorial Hall, HAM; brass plaque on marble, St Mary's, Colbury: "Faithful unto Death. To the dear memory of WCFBM Capt RB killed while gallantly leading his men in the Battle of the Somme Sept 15th 1916 aged 42". Same plaque at St Mary's Mottisfont. Name on St Mary's Colbury lytchgate with rest and name with all on brass plaque at St M's, Mottisfont: "Went the day well? We died and never knew;/ But this we know; England! we died for you". |

Southern Daily Echo, Tuesday, 28 November 2000 A local dynasty

A new book has been published on one of the many famous families who have lived within the boundaries of Southampton - the house of Barker-Mill who are very proud of their ancestry.

SOUTHAMPTON'S ancient Bargate immortalises the heraldic shields of some of the area's greatest families.

Among the colourful badges of Tylneys, Flemings, Pawletts and co., is the shield of the Mill family.

Three plump bears on a white background divided by black squares make up the Mill coat of arms on the Bargate's western buttress.

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Age

Solid and reliable as the bears which were their symbol, the assorted Sir John Mills and Sir Charles Mills never chose to make an impact on the national stage.

They minded their own business in town and country life around Hampshire, and they have been influential local landowners for 500 years.

Today the Mills are better known as the Barker-Mill family - still running estates on the outskirts of Southampton, and well-supplied in recent years with famous artists and philanthropists.

The family decided that the year 2000 was a good point to look back at Mill history.

They commissioned a book, The Barker Mill Story - a Hampshire Family since the 16th century from author Tessa Lecomber.

The first John Mill left his mark as a merchant in Southampton's thriving and cosmopolitan trading centre, circa 1504. By 1613 his family were well enough established to afford an impressive memorial in Nursling Church, Southampton.

Sir Richard Mill and his wife Mary, plump and colourful in painted alabaster, lie propped up on their elbows, serenely surveying their one-time domain.

In the English Civil War 30 years later, the family was divided by the sword. Sir John Mill fought for the king, his father-in-law was for parliament.

But in 1670, baronet Sir John Mill played fast and loose with royal favour. Made a New Forest bailiff by Charles II, he later appeared in court for illegally cutting down a coppice at Bartley, near Lyndhurst.

In the 18th century the family made up for the turmoil of the previous 100 years.

They inherited Mottisfont Abbey near Romsey , where trees they planted still grow today. Later Nursling and Millbrook became Mill land.

1836 saw the first Barker-Mill the Rev Sir John B-M was a jolly Pickwickian figure, famous for his loud check trousers and cherry-coloured ties.

His foxhunt, founded in 1836, stopped in 1839 because excessive numbers of foxes were being killed! His pack was re-launched a few years later and eventually became the Hursley Hunt.

Victorian matriarch Mrs Marianne Vaudrey Barker-Mill was the opposite of Pickwickian. In a bid to curtail drinking and gambling she revoked the lease for several local pubs, and a racecourse on her land at Stockbridge.

But she was a good businesswoman. To pull Barker-Mill estate finances into shape, she sold land at Millbrook which grew into Southampton's massive docks.

Other dynamic Barker-Mill women followed. Brenda Barker-Mill set up a chauffeur service for tourists after the Great War, taking travellers as far as Edinburgh in a second-hand Rolls Royce.

Brenda's son Peter was an artist, but creating vast sculptures and illustrating books with woodcuts didn't distract him from his local responsibilities.

He gave land and cash for a new village hall in Nursling in 1969, and later donated a site for Foxhills school near Ashurst.

Barker-Mill land also helped solve Southampton's post-war housing shortage, providing space for the huge Lordshill estate and more than 3,000 houses at Millbrook.

Since the 1970s Peter's children Amanda and Adam have guided estate matters.

Adam is a painter and film-maker - working with punk band Sex Pistols, David Hockney, and celebrity prisoner limmy Boyle

Amanda has dedicated herself to family and estate. She launched Britain's first Butterfly Farm in the New Forest in 1981, and developed Longdown Dairy Farm as a tourist attraction in 1985.

More recently - to honour her ancestors and their tradition of local philanthropy - Amanda gave a grant of £150,000 through the Peter Barker-Mill Charity Trust to refurbish Colbury Memorial Hall.

The original building was given to the community by Amanda's great-grandmother in memory of her son - Amanda's grandfather -who died in the Great War.

The Barker-Mills never forget their history, even after 500 years.

The Barker-Mill Story - A Hampshire family since the 16th Century, by Tessa Lecomber, costs £20 and is available only from the Longdown Estate Office, Longdown, Marchwood, Southampton.

The county families of the United Kingdom; or, Royal manual of the titled and untitled aristocracy of England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland .. (Volume ed.59, yr.1919)

VAUDREY-BARKER-MILL, Mrs., of Mottisfont Abbey, Hampshire.

Marianne, only child of Frederick Ibbotson, Esq., of Colbury Manor, Hampshire, who d. 1871, by Marianne, who d. 1863, dau. of the late Giles Diston Barker, Esq., of Wareham, Dorsetshire; m. 1872 William Vaudrey, Esq., of Langley Manor, Hampshire, who d. 1887, leaving, with other issue, a son, William Claude Frederick, temp. Capt. Service Batt. Rifle Brigade; 6. 1874; m. 1905 the Hon. Mary Brenda Nepenthe Collins, youngest dau. of the late Richard Henn, Lord Collins, P.C, a Life Peer and formerly a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, and d. (killed in action) 1916, leaving, with other issue, a son, Peter Claude, b. 1908. Mrs. Vaudrey Barker-Mill, who assumed the additional surnames of Barker-Mill by royal license 1903, is Lady of the Manor of Langley and Patron of 5 livings.— Mottisfont Abbey, near Bomsey, Hampshire.