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the books borrowed
from you as the
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opportunity.

Dear Brother Tom,

History of the Province

As promised I am enclosing
a copy of my notes on R.W. Bro
Albert Hudson Royce. Then from
the outline of a paper I am preparing
on A.H. Royce! I am now waiting
to consult papers held by the
present head of the family but
I think further progress may
have to wait until at least

the Autumn of the year. I am
fairly heavily committed between
now and then.

I enclose also
Copy of my note on Sir Robert
del Cornwall. (I became very
interested in him - but there is
a lot of work waiting to be done
there.)

My notes on West, Vernon
Lechmere, Godson and Campbell
probably contain nothing new
to you.

I hope these may prove useful
with all good wishes for Christmas
and 1977

Yours sincerely,
John Jeff

Albert Hudson Royds. ^① (P.G.M. 1866-1878)
(Resigned)

Born: 11th Sept 1811 at - Falinge, Rochdale.

Died 17th Jan 1890 at - Brownhill, Falinge, Rochdale

Masonic Career. — Craft.

8 Dec 1847 — Initiated — Lodge of Benevolence
No 286
Littleborough, Lancs

1849-50 — W.M. — Lodge of Benevolence No 286

1851 — 1852 Prov. G.S.W. — East-Lancs

1852 — 1866 Deputy Prov. G.M. — East-Lancs

1857 — 1865 Dep. Prov. G.M. — Wores.

1856 — Joined Worsley Lodge 280. 6 Nov. from Benevolence 273.

1866 — 1878 — Provincial G.M. — Wores.

1864 — 3rd G.M. — As D.P.G.M. (E.L.)
Assisted R.W. Bro Stephen Blain, P.G.M. (E.L.)
with consecration of Royds Lodge No 816
— Which had been formed 23 May 1866
— A.H.L. a founder member
— Lodge held first at Waudle,
moved to Littleborough.

1866 - 21st June Consecration as P.G.M. / by R.W. Bro Stephen Blain, P.G.M. E.L.

Service in Worcester Cathedral (Preacher:

Bro (the Rev Sir F.A.G. Dudley)

1866 - 21st April - Consecration of ~~St Andrew's~~ Lodge

of St Andrew's Lodge 1897 - 7th Feb 1904

1867 - Consecration of Royal Lodge at Malvern on 3rd Dec 1867

(R.W. Bro A.H. Royds prevented by the death of a relative, from attending)

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The following members of the family as well as
are known to have been prominent in A.H.R.
Tremasoury:

(R.N. Beswick - Royds (elder son of A.H.R.) 1840-1911

Dec 1859 initiated - Benevolence Lodge No 886
(at the age of 19)

1870 - W.M. Prov. G.W.

1871 - Dep. Prov. G. Master Etan

1896-1908: Dep. Prov. G. Master Etan

1897 - Centenary year of the lodge - presented
3 gavel

1881 - Presented to Job - three training Boards

1882 - Grand Deacon - 11 initiated Address Jewel.

1909 - Attained his Jubilee - 11 initiated Address Jewel.
* Found in Benev. Lodge 280 also

* 1860 - Passed to 2nd Degree in Forest Lodge, 349 (280)

Nov 1861 - Raised to 3rd Degree in Oxford Lodge No 76 in
Woodstock, Canada West

21 Feb 1867 - Retired from Woodstock Lodge 280.

Photograph facing P. 68 in the History of
the Lodge of Benevolence
Portrait presented to lodge by himself in 1909.

(Clement H Beswick Royds (grandson of A.H.R.)

5 Feb 1889 - Initiated - Benevolence Lodge No 886

1898 - W.M.

Edmund Alben-Nuttall Royds (youngest son of AHR)
1845 - 1892 - Aged 47.

1872 (one year) Dep. Prov. G.M. (Loose 816 e 1704)
1865 - Joining Member of Royds Lodge 816
20 Dec 1866 - Installed W.M. Royds Lodge 816.

According Bro Puffer, Sec 816, also -
Member of Isaac Newton University Lodge 859,
Cambridge.

Member of Worcester Lodge 280.

No mention in 816 Minute after
leaving his Master'ship

Lived at Haskie, Malvern

1867 - Founding member, Royds Lodge 1704; first J.W.

Worcester Lodge 280

Joined & Passed 28 Dec 1864
Raised 26 Jan 1865
Retired 27 Jan 1868

St Isaac Newton
Lodge No 461.85,
Cambridge Unive

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The Royds Family.

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The family originated in Yorkshire.

In 1784 James Royds of Falange, Rochdale married a daughter of Charles Smith of Castle Hill.

There were three sons of whom the eldest was Clement (1785-1852).

Clement of Falange and Greenhill, Rochdale was the founder of the firm of Clement Royds & Co, Bankers, Rochdale. He was J.P. and D.D. for York and a Peerage.

Alber Hudson Royds (1811-1890) was the eldest of the seven children. He and his brother William Edward Royds (1817-1871)

joined the family banking business. His nephew C.M. Royds was Chairman of the firm when later it was merged into the Manchester & Liverpool Bank - afterwards William Deane & Co. A.H. Royds married at Kempsey, Worcester, on

5 March 1835 Susan Eliza Nuttall only child of Robert and Susan Anne Nuttall of Kempsey House. Mrs Nuttall was a daughter of the Revd Randall Andrews, Vicar of Ormskirk Lancs and Susan Eliza was born

at Slaughter Court, Powick, Worcester on
13 March 1881.

(The Revd Randle Andrew is most probably the young clergyman appointed
Spiriting Curate of St George's, Pershore
1733-1743 and Vicar of Pershore
1743-1782.)

The family of P.H. and Susan Rogers
consisted of two sons, Clement Robert
Nuttall Beswick (1840-1911), Edmund
Robert Nuttall (1845-1892) and a daughter
Susan Jane (1843-1872)

Alfred Hudson Rogers was educated
at the Littlewoods Academy at Townend,
where he was a contemporary of John
Bright, and a privateer.

In 1864 he raised and commanded
as Captain the Rochdale Troop of the
Duke of Lancaster's Own Yeomanry.
He was an Alderman and Justice
of the Peace of Rochdale and a member

of the Town Council at the date of its incorporation in 1856.

On the death of his father in 1854, he inherited the family estate. He let the house Mount Falinge and purchased Crown Past Cow, near Worcester. He took up an interest in agriculture and in fruit and flower cultivation. He built several farm buildings. In the 1861 Census return he is recorded as the landed proprietor at Crown Past, married, age 49, his daughter Susan age 17 and his son E.A.N. being 16. He employed a farm steward, John Pitt and 8 servants.

In 1865 A.H. Royce was High Sheriff of Worcestershire.

His first wife died in 1869 and his only daughter died in 1878. In the same year (1878) A.H.R. married his second wife and shortly afterwards returned to Rochdale.

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After several years of retirement at Brownhill, Rochdale, A.H. Ryder died on the 17 Jan 1890. The Rochdale Times referred at length to his life and work and described him as a remarkably well-read and intellectual - a conversationalist of a high order with a rich sense of humour. An hour with A.H.R. was a veritable feast of reason and a flow of words.

The funeral took place at St Edmund's, Fulmer, a church built by A.H. Ryder and his family. On a day when a violent gale swept across the town. The coffin was carried on the little hand-car which the deceased used to be wheeled about. Family mourners

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only were present. These included
the two sons Clement Beswick - Royds
and E.A.N. Royds and grandsons
Albert Henry and Wilfred Edmund.
Also present were his nephews Clement
Wolynaux Royds (High Sheriff of Lancashire) and
Ernest.

The last home of A.H. Royds, Brownhills
has now been demolished. The site
now houses a Special School —
Brownhills Special School.

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1866 - Installed P.G.M. Wores.

1871-69 - Wye, Susan Eliza died at Brighton.

1872 - Dan, Susan Jane married Malvern Priory.

1873 - Dan's husband Captain Scobell, died 26 April.

1878 - Dan, Mrs Scobell and Jan.

1873 - E.A.N. married at Liverpool 16 April.

1878 - A.H. married Chindiana at Elleslie.

1878 - Resigned Pro. Com.

Returned to Rochdale.

1890 - Died.

1873 - Malvern Duesdow - Pitt Road, J.P., W.L.
The Meadows North, Wells Co.
- with E.A.N. Roids

1883 - in custody for A.H.R. but - Mayor
E.A.N. Roids at Elleslie.

consult Wores Duesdow 1866-1880. to
Clarify movements.

nephew of Albert Hudson Royds. was
Sir Clement-Molyneux Royds J.P. D.L.
C.B. Knight-Bachelor 30 June 1906
b. 3 April 1842.

Chairman of the firm of Clement
Royds & Co Bankers, Rochdale, which
was merged into the Manchester and
Salford Bank, afterwards Williams
Deacons Bank.

Chairman of Rochdale Canal Co
Director of Great Central Railway
Elected M.P. for Rochdale. 15 July 1898.

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Extract from Family Tree

from "Pedigree of Royds Family" - by Sir Clement Molyneux Royds CB (1910)

Clement Royds of Falinge, Rochdale
(- eldest son of James Royds)
b. at Falinge 17 Nov 1785.
d. " " 13 Sept 1854

Jane Hudson of Shaw Hill Yorks
b. 16 Jan 1788.
d. at Cheltenham 16 Oct 1853

----- c/o

1st Wife. =
Susan
Eggs, only
child
and
heir of
Robert
Nuttall of
Kempsey
House,

Albert Hudson Royds of Falinge, Rochdale =
and Elsie, St. Malvern Banker, J.P.,
and d. for consanguinity. Lancashire and
Wires: High Sheriff of Co. of Wores 1865;
Late Captain, Duke of Lancaster's Own
Yeomanry. Born 11 Sept 1811, died
28 Jan 1894 at Brownhill, Rochdale

2nd Wife
Christiana
dau of Joseph
Brook of
Huddersfield
born 25
1810
mar:
Elsie
by Special
Licence
died 15
1894.
Buried.
Ch: Ch:
Healey,
Rochdale

Worcester,
by Susan Anne his wife
dau: of Rev Randle Andrews,
Vicar of Ormskirk, Lancs.
born: Slaughter's Court, Powerk Woresch: 13 Mar 1831.
married at Kempsey 5 March 1839
died at Bughton 21 August 1869.

Children of Albert Hudson Roads. (13)

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Clement Robert
Nuttall Beswick Royds
born 3 Jan 1840
died = 1911

Mary Alice Gibson, only
child and heiress,
of John Halliwell Beswick
of Pyke House, Rochdale
born 1 Mar. 1840.
Mar at Littleborough 4 May 1867

Clement Halliwell
Beswick Royds
b. 5 Feb 1868.

Susan Jane
born 27 June 1843.
married 26 Sep 1872
Henry Scates Scobell
Captain Scots Greys
J.P. D.L. High Sheriff
1877.

Married at Abbey Church,
Malvern.
He died 1 May 1875.
She dies 6 Jan 1878.

He had 4 children
Sarah Catherine Sedgwick
of Penton.

Edmund Albert
Nuttall Royds
of Palace Rochdale
Barrister.

J.P. for Lancs.
Lt.-Col 4th Bn
100th R. Lancs Regt.
at the Wars of
born 1 Jan 1865

died at Evesham
Malvern
aged 47,
23 Aug 1892

Augusta Eliza
Lemonnes of
Stonehouse,
Lancs.

b. 24 Oct 1848
Mar 16 Apr 1873

Mar 2nd Dec 1880
Major Hyacinth
Lynch.

Kathleen Augusta.
b. 28 Jan 1874
d. 22 Feb 1874

Albert Henry Royds.
b. 7 April 1876
(Scots Guards)

Adeliza Beatrice
Drummond
b. 20 June 1879.
Mar. 6 Jun 1905

Elizabeth Beatrice
b. 1906 Jan 29 1908

Wilfred Edmunds
Royds
b. 29 Apr 1877
7th Q.O. Hussars

Eileen Frances
Townsend
Mar 24 Feb 1903

Gerald Wilfred
b. 26 Oct 1903

Norman Sus
John
Royds
b. 20 Apr 1879
d. 6 Feb 1888

Bo
Abbe
Ch
St Ma

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Freenasonry in Worcs 1866 - 1878.

Two new lodges were created:

St Michaels 1097 - Teubury 1866

Roads - 1304 - Malvern 1867

Total $8 + 2 = 10$.

Total membership rose from 157 in 1866
to 402 in 1878.

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