## BLENNERHASSET-COULSON family of TASMANIA, Australia and LONDON, UK

with a connection to the BOUCICAULT (Boursiquot) family of Dublin, London, New York, Melbourne, Sydney & Rockhampton...

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How John William Blennerhasset Coulson acquired his "Blennerhasset" middle name is a puzzle and no record has been found of J.W.Coulson using this middle name for himself; youngest son Robert Edmund Coulson (at his 1879 marriage) names his father in the marriage record as John William Blennerhasset Coulson; descendants of eldest son Thomas Howard Coulson applied the Blennerhasset middle name both to T.H. "Blennerhasset" Coulson and to his father J.W. "Blennerhasset" Coulson

In 1853 John's widow Elizabeth "Eliza" Coulson travelled from Victoria, Australia to England with her new partner George Darley Bourcicault, marrying there early 1854; Nigel Beresford of Melbourne, a Coulson descendant who has researched this family, suggests the Blennerhasset middle name may perhaps have been postumously assumed for their father by his widow (following her 2nd marriage) and/or her two surviving sons, Thomas Howard Blennerhasset Coulson and Robert Edmund Coulson; the theory being that the sons assuming this additional name for their father (and perhaps for themselves, in the case of T.H.Coulson) would have helped confirm upper-middle-class status and respectability to the Coulson sons when establishing themselves at Kensington, London, where they may have believed themselves disadvantaged by a background of parents from Van Diemen's Land and Victoria in 1836/7, a time when these places were known primarily as penal colonies

The birth at Melbourne in 1843 of Eliza's daughter Elizabeth Jane Coulson was re-registered in England (by Eliza, with her new husband George Darley Bourcicault) the registration incorrectly showing Elizabeth Jane as born at Curzon Street in Mayfair, London, an up-market address, with perhaps a similar motivation...

## IF YOU KNOW HOW OR WHY THE BLENNERHASSET (properly Blennerhassett) MIDDLE NAME FIRST ENTERED THE COULSON FAMILY, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH.

## BC 01 b.c1724; b.c1753 m. Elizabeth <???> bapt.22.11.1724 St Botolph. Bishopsgate, London m. <???> m. Catherine <???> b. <???> b.c1786 London, England mariner bapt.27.8.1786 St George-in-the-East, Cannon Street Road., Poplar (now part of Stepney), London of Keppel Street, NOTE: marriage allegation document of 6.8.1802 states he and London 1788 his bride both over age of 21 in 1802 (i.e. both born bef. 1781); m.est.c1780 either he lied about his age, or I have here the wrong marriage... Sarah <???> master mariner NOTE: some online sources suggest of St George-in-the-East parish, 1802; this Joseph Coulson (above) of Upper Walberg Street, London 1804-1806; is identical with Joseph Coulson of Lower Chapman Street, St George-in-the-East parish, (above left, b.c1724); Poplar, Stepney, London 1807-8 but both names and dates m.19.9.1802 (by licence), he aged 16 years; make that impossible St George-in-the-East, Poplar, Stepney, London; marriage bond dated 6.7.1802; marriage allegation dated 6.8.1802 Jane Pearson; of St George-in-the-East parish, Poplar, Stepney, London 1802 b.bef.1781 >>> Joseph Coulson b.13.9.1788 (not 29.7.1788) Keppel Street, London; bapt.12.10.1788 (age 29 days old) St George-in-the East, Poplar, Stepney, London >>> Ann Jane Coulson b.14.6.1804 Upper Walberg Street, London; bapt.16.11.1804 St George-in-the-East, Poplar, Stepney, London |>>: George Alisander (Alexander) Coulson b.28.6.1807 Lower Chapman Street, St George-in-the-East parish, Poplar, Stepney, London: bapt.20.1.1808 St George-in-the-East; NOTE: he is here not placed in correct birth-date sequence

## Blennerhasset Coulson

b.1.8.1805 Upper Walberg Street, London; bapt.31.12.1806 St George-in-the-East, Poplar (now part of Stepney) London

a mariner in the merchant service until 1837: sailed from London on the barque "Amelia Thompson", departing 28.4.1836, arriving Launceston, Van Diemen's Land (now Tasmania) 26.8.1836;

on board was Elizabeth "Eliza" Howard whom he m.3.10.1836; NOTE: in marriage record of his son Thomas Howard Coulson in 1862 he is described as "Capt. in the Mercantile Navy" but Blennerhasset middle name is not used for either father or son

of Launceston 1836-37; in 1837 he and his wife moved to Port Phillip, Melbourne, Victoria, where they managed hotels & inns; the "Melbourne Hotel", Flinders Street, Port Phillip 1841-1842; of Richmond, Melbourne 1843; of Port Phillip, Melbourne 1847; 1844-1847 he held the licence of the Clarence Hotel, Collins St., Melbourne [The Melbourne Weekly Courier 13.7.1844]; of Brighton, Victoria 1849; 1849-1850 he was publican of "Queens Head" Hotel, Queen St., Melbourne (although on 25.10.1849 described as "late innkeeper"); following his death in 1850 his widow Eliza continued his licence there until early 1852; by 21.4.1852 managed "Shakespeare Hotel" on Market Sq. (corner of Collins St. & Market St.) in P.Phillip, a hotel & pub founded 6.2.1839 by John Pascoe Fawkner

he d.30.8.1850 (but headstone inscription has d.28.8.1850) at his hotel, Queen's Head Hotel on Queen Street, Melbourne; funeral at St Peter's Church, Melbourne:

bur.1.9.1850 Fawkner Cem. (Pioneers Section), Melbourne; with son Edmund (Edmond) Howard Coulson: headstone broken: Will dated <???>, proved 26.10.1850 at Supreme Court of NSW ["Pedigree of the family of Greene" by Lt-Col. J.J. Greene pub. Stationer's Hall, Dublin 1899] in error states he

died at Carlisle, Cumberland (now Cumbria), England

m.3.10.1836 (not 30.10.1836); St John (C.o.E.) Launceston, Co.Cornwall, Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania)

Elizabeth "Eliza" Howard (dau. of Thomas Howard) b.c1819/22 Co.Cork, Ireland; b.c1819 (death record); b.c1822 (1871 census); b.c1823 (1881 census); b.c1830 (1891 census)

emigrated to Tasmania on early female only emigrant ship these organized first by the "Emigration Commission" of 1831-2, later by the London Emigration Committee of 1833-1836; she sailed on barque "Amelia Thompson" (built 1833, 477 tons, Capt. Tomlinson), departing Gravesend, London 28.4.1836, arriving Launceston, Tasmania 26,8,1836 (via Sydney 24,11,36): on the voyage she met her future husband John William Blennerhasset Coulson, mariner, member of the crew

NOTE: one source has her departing London 12.6.1831 for Tasmania on the ship "Mary" - that is incorrect; NOTE: "The journal of a voyage to Australia in the bark Amelia Thompson', Captain: William Dawson" by Rev. John Jennings Smith (1839) describes "the voyage from Plymouth to Sydney on board the three masted wooden sailing barque 'Amelia Thompson' between 4 June & 24 Sept. 1839"

at her husband's death in 1850 he had been managing the Oueens Head Hotel, Oueen Street, Melbourne, she continuing his licence there until early 1852; by 21.4.1852 she held the licence for the "Shakespeare Hotel" on Market Square (corner of Collins St. & Market St.) in Port Phillip; this was a hotel & pub founded 6.2.1839 by John Pascoe Fawkner NOTE: Fawkner, one of the founders of Melbourne, had installed a printing press in a shed behind his hotel first pub. "Port Phillip Patriot and Melbourne Advertiser" in 6.2.1839

>>> (John) William >>>>>> >|>>> Thomas Howard >>>>>>>> >>> | Susannah "Susie" Coulson; b.c1866 Bombay, India Blennerhasset Coulson

b.13.8.1837 Launceston, Van Diemen's Land (now Tasmania); bapt.4.10.1837 Launceston moved to Port Phillip, Melbourne 1837

at the time of the 1861 census he was residing with his future mother-in-law Susan Passmore (of 8 Clarendon Villas, Marquis Rd, Islington, London 1861-2) but is oddly described in this census as her "son" and deaf; he married her dau. Lousia Passmore in the next year, 1862

in British Merchant Service (Merchant Navv) 1861-2: 1861 census has "sea"; at his 1862 marriage described "Officer in Mercantile Navy"

went to India (Presidency of Bombay) with his wife, their 1st child being born there c1866; he was later described as a Captain in the Royal Indian Marine (RIM), the British Naval Force based in India;

[BP "Burke's Peerage"] and & [BLGS "Burke's Landed Gentry of Scotland" p.906-8] "Mackenzie of Scatwell, Bt." name him Capt. Thomas Howard Blennerhasset Coulson, RIM

by 1870 they had returned from India to England; manager of wine business Kensington, London 1870-71; of 120 Kensington Park Road, London 1870; of 29 Archer Street, London 1871 (this house empty 1881);

of Kensington 1887 (perhaps at 50 Cornwall Rd, Kensington) living 1877; d.bef.1887

m.30.10.1862 St Mary, Islington, London;

Louisa Passmore b.c1841/6 Barnstaple, Devon

as a widow in 1891 residing at 50 Cornwall Rd, Kensington (cannot find this address), with 3 daughters and widowed

sis-in-law Mary Passmore (b.c1844 Madras, India) Louisa was a dau. of Richard Passmore (jeweller, d.bef.1861)

and his wife Susan Passmore (b.c1805/6 Northampton, Northamptonshire);

Susan Passmore resided in Devon c1839-1841/6 and in India c1856; a widow by 1861

of 8 Clarenden Villas, Islington, London 1861, when she was a "proprietor of houses"; with her in 1861 was dau, C.A. Passmore (b.c1856 India) and her son's wife R. Passmore (b.c1836 India) also her cousin Capt. William G. Wills of the merchant navy; b.c1829 Leytonstone, Essex; widower 1861;

with her in 1871 was dau. Louisa Coulson & nephew W. Adams (b.c1856 Torrington, Devon; clerk 1871)

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m.19.10.1887 All Saints Church, Notting Hill, London:
Samuel John Mullen; of Melbourne
["The Argus" Melbourne 28.10.1887]
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b.7.1.1870

m.27.5.1893

edu. Wellington

John Roderick Kenneth

Mackenzie; b.29.4.1869;

of Shoeburyness, Essex at

the time of his marriage 1875

Civil Service, B.C. Canada;

Assistant Commissioner.

Ministry of Food;

Hon. Secretary for the

Empire Settlement";

>>> Florence Maude Coulson

Kensington, London

|>>> Clara Alice M. Coulson

Kensington, London

d.26.5.1958

"Surrey Association for

Mackenzie of Scatwell, Bt.

in [BP "Burke's Peerage"]

& [BLGS "Burke's Landed

Gentry of Scotland" p.906-8]

b.Jan-Mar.1872 Bayswater/

b.Apr-Jun.1877 Bayswater/

>>> Ida Mary Coulson; b.31.8.1867 Bayswater, London; bapt.5.10.1870 St Mark, Notting Hill, Kensington (bapt. with sister Kathleen Elizabeth) |>>> Kathleen Elizabeth Coulson > >>> Sir Roderick (Roger) Edward >>>>

Kensington, London; Mackenzie, CBE (1945) bapt.5.10.1870 St Mark, b.11.12.1894 Notting Hill, Kensington (bapt. with sister Ida Mary) 11th Baronet Mackenzie of Scatwell, Ross-shire; returned to UK from India (Baronet of Nova Scotia created 22.2.1702/3: Sutton, Surrey succeeded 1958);

> Mackenzie of Scatwell, Bt. in [BP "Burke's Peerage"] & [BLGS "Burke's Landed Gentry of Scotland" p.906-8

FranÁois McQuhae

Capt. RN, edu. Royal Naval College Osborne and Royal Naval College Dartmouth; served WWI (mentioned in dispatches, DSC 1916); served WWII (mentioned in despatches; U.S. Medal of Freedom with silver clasp)

d.11.1.1986 m.3.12.1938 Marie Evelyn Campbell Parkinson; of Farnham, Surrey d.1993

|>>> Iris Louise Ida Mackenzie b.17.1.1897 d.9.9.1981

|>>> Phyllis Marion Mackenzie >>: >|>>> b.7.8.1899

m.29.6.1922 Capt. James Millar Begg RN d 22 2 1954

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Eliza was victim of larceny reported ["The Argus" 15.10.1851] |>>> Frederick William Coulson
                                                                    b.?.9.1839 Port Phillip, Melbourne, Victoria; d.31.10.1840 Port Phillip
Eliza met George Darley Bourcicault (p.BOU 01) who on
                                                                 >>> Jane Emma Coulson; b.30.8.1841 at the Melbourne Hotel, Port Phillip, Melbourne;
9.10.1848 had taken over proprietorship of the newspaper
                                                                    d.2.5.1842 at the Melbourne Hotel
(now named "Port Phillip Patriot and Melbourne News") and
they became partners; c1852/3 she moved to Sydney, NSW
                                                                |>>> Elizabeth "Eliza" Jane Coulson
(with her family but without her son Thomas) and there their
                                                                    b.13.3.1843 Richmond, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia (1871 England census has her b.c1847, in error)
daughter Florence J. Bourcicault was b.c1853; in 1853 they
sailed to England with her children (except Thomas).
                                                                     moved to England with her parents 1853:
marrying at Southampton, Hampshire on 6.1.1854
                                                                     her birth was re-registered at London c1854, her place of birth wrongly stated as "Curzon Street, London";
                                                                     in 1871 residing with mother & stepfather George Darley Boursiquot at 25 Cromwell Rd, Kensington, London
NOTE: an early map of Port Phillip shows "Mrs Coulston's
(sic) Public House" (this is now the "Great Britain Hotel")
                                                                     of Curzon Street, Mayfair, London at the time of her marriage in 1875;
                                                                     ["Pedigree of the family of Greene" by Lt-Col. J.J. Greene, pub. Stationer's Hall, Dublin 1899]
c1856 they were at Paris, France where they had two further
                                                                     repeats the error that she was born at Curzon Street
children (twins); of 25 Cromwell Rd, Kensington, London 1871
                                                                     d.17.2.1876 (dsp), drowned with her husband when SS "Strathclyde"
                      (with her dau. Elizabeth Jane Coulson);
of Shamrock Lodge, Matham Rd, East Molesey, Surrey 1881;
                                                                     on which they were sailing from London to Bombay, India,
of 9 Guadaloupe Terrace, Brading, Sandown,
                                                                     was run down in Dover Bay by the German ship "Franconia":
                              Isle of Wight, Hampshire 1891
                                                                     her body was recovered 20.2.1876 from the Kentish Knock
                                                                     (area of sea off the coast of Kent and Essex) by the fishing smack "Crest"
 Eliza d.22.11.1891 Brompton/Kensington, London (no Will)
                                                                     m.28.12.1875 at the parish church of St.George Hanover Square, London (C.o.E.);
Elizabeth "Eliza" Coulson (nee Howard) m.2nd 6.1.1854 at
                                                                     Capt. John Clinton Greene, RA (Royal Artillery); son of Richard Greene & Louisa Martin;
Holywood Church (C.o.E.) Southampton, Hampshire, England
                                                                    b.?.1.1839 Dunkitt House, Co. Waterford, Ireland;
to George Darley Bourcicault (a.k.a. Boursiquot) (p.BOU 01)
                                                                    d.17.2.1876 drowned (with his wife), his body washed ashore at Deal 12.3.1876
b.9.3.1818 (twin) at Sandy Mount, a seaside suburb of Dublin
where Dionysius Lardner lived; bapt.18.4.1818 (as Boursiquot)
                                                                |>>> Edmund (Edmond on headstone) Howard Coulson
                                                                    b.?.4.1844 Melbourne, Victoria
at Eustace Street Presbyterian Church, Dublin
George Darley Bourcicault moved to Victoria, Australia;
                                                                     he d.19.10.1850 (but headstone inscription has d.21.10.1850) drowned in the Yarra Yarra River
living at Melbourne c1847; he acquired land at Melbourne
                                                                     at Melbourne ["The Argus" Melbourne 21.10.1850]; funeral at St.Peter's Church, Melbourne;
when squatters runs were sub-divided (c1851?)
                                                                     bur.?.10.1850 Fawkner Cemetery (Pioneers Section), Melbourne,
                                                                     with his father John William Coulson (who died the same year)
from 1.10.1845 he was newspaper proprietor, printer & editor of
"Port Phillip Patriot and Melbourne News"; on 9.10.1848 this
                                                                |>>> John William Coulson
became "The Melbourne Daily News and Port Phillip Patriot"
                                                                    b.16.4.1847 Port Phillip Melbourne, Victoria ["Port Phillip Patriot"];
and from Nov.1848 (until beyond 30.6.1851) "The Melbourne
                                                                    d.16.12.1852 Brunswick, Melbourne
Daily News"; the office had started as a shed with small printing
                                                                |>>: Robert Edmund (Edmond?) >>>: >|>>> Florence Edith Coulson; restaurant cashier 1901
press, located immediately behind the "Shakespeare Hotel";
both hotel and newspaper were established 6.2.1839 by John
                                                                     Coulson
                                                                                                          b.27.10.1879 at 81 Earl Street, Edgward Road, London
Pascoe Fawkner, one of the founders of Melbourne, at the
                                                                     b.9.8.1849 Queen's Hotel,
corner of Collins St. & Market St.) in Port Phillip, Melbourne
                                                                     Queen St., Melbourne, Victoria; |>>> Thomas Howard Coulson
                                                                                                          b.25.4.1881 Candicote, Dieppe, France;
                                                                     bapt.25.10.1850
a neighbour in 1852 at the "Shakespeare Hotel" was the hotel
                                                                     St James', Melbourne
                                                                                                          of 7 East Terrace, Battersea, London 1891;
manager "Eliza" Coulson (nee Howard) who became his partner;
                                                                                                          of 36 Effingham Street, Ramsgate, Kent 1901;
their dau. Florence Bourcicault was b.26.3.1853 (prob. Melbourne,
                                                                     at 1879 marriage he named his
                                                                                                          of 36 Clare Avenue, Hoole, Chester 1911;
the birth being later registered and Florence bapt, at Sydney);
                                                                     father as "John Blennerhasset
                                                                                                          wine merchant's clerk 1901; commercial traveller (game foods) 1911;
they sailed (with her daughter Elizabeth Jane Coulson and
                                                                     Coulson, gentleman"
                                                                                                          d.Oct-Dec.1924 West Ham, London
 presumably the infant Florence) from Melbourne to Sydney.
arriving 16.8.1853; Florence was bapt.7.9.53 at St Phillip, Sydney
                                                                     architect, surveyor & builder;
                                                                                                           m.Oct-Dec.1908 West Ham, London; Florence Mary Webb; b.c1882
                                                                     Architectural Engineer's pupil
                                                                                                          perhaps(?) identical with Florence Coulson b.c1881 d.Jan-Mar.1955 Southend-on-Sea, Essex
having during the gold rush secured his future by purchasing
                                                                     of Plymouth, Devon 1879:
a good quantity of gold mining shares, in late 1853 they sailed
                                                                     at Edinburgh, Scotland 1871;
                                                                                                      >>> (Edmund) Walter Alan Coulson
for England and there they married, at Southampton on 6.1.1854
                                                                     Builder 1891:
                                                                                                          b.17.3.1883 Rou Houand, Dieppe, France;
                                                                     Builder's clerk 1901:
                                                                                                           advertising clerk 1901;
                                                                                                          d.1906 Rochford, Essex
of 5 Cromwell Road, Kensington, London 1854;
                                                                     architect & surveyor 1911
c1856 they were at Paris, France where had two children (twins);
of St Mary Abbotts, Kensington 1865-1867;
                                                                     boarder at 5 Hope Park Square,
                                                                                                      >>> William Gordon Coulson
                                                                     Buccleuch, Edinburgh 1871:
                                                                                                          b.19.10.1885 Brixton/Lambeth, London
of 25 Cromwell Rd Kensington, London 1871 (with his step-dau.
Elizabeth Jane Coulson); he was "retired on dividends" by 1881
                                                                     of 7 East Terrace, Battersea,
                                                                     London 1891;
                                                                                                      |>>> Alfred Victor Coulson
at 5.4.1891 census residing at his club, the "Constitutional
                                                                     of 8 Margery Park Road, West
                                                                                                          b.17.3.1887 Herne Hill, London:
Club" on Northumberland Avenue, Westminster, London;
                                                                     Ham, London 1901;
                                                                                                           office post boy 1901; served in the army
of 13 Porchester Gardens, Bayswater/Paddington
                                                                     of 49 Southchurch Avenue.
(home of his daughter Florence J. Kirby) 1901
                                                                     Southend-on-Sea Essex 1909-11
                                                                                                          m.14.8.1915 Uxbridge, Middlesex;
                                                                                                          Dorothy Mary Lea
d.1.7.1902 Paddington, London;
                                                                     d.8.3.1935 Peckham, London
Will dated 13.7.1901, pr. Aug.1902; by his Will his remaining
                                                                                                      >>> Alice Maud Coulson
                                                                                                      b.15.2.1888 East Dulwich, London
estate went to his son George Pensam Bourcicault, not mentioning
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