

Edward Jones Schollick, Ulverston Shipbuilder, 1825 - 1908

While he is not buried here, Edward Jones Schollick has left various traces at Aldingham, not least the graves of some of his children. Schollick was the recipient of the bulk of Rev. John Stonard's estate, allegedly having saved him from drowning on the sands. (*See separate sheet for Stonard's grave*)

In the **1841 Census** (though difficult to read) John Stonard, (70), Clergyman, is living with the following, presumably at the old Aldingham Hall, or at the Rectory: Jas Vince (55); Philadelphia Vince (50); John Vince (50), Edward Schollick (15); Hannah Schollick (20); Mary Helling (45); Hanah Helling (40); Margt. Kendal (20); George Vince (15) Cabinet Maker; Sarah Vince (15), Milliner. (All spellings as on the form – though Vince looks like Brice or Bince)

Below is an article from <http://www.mightyseas.co.uk/articles/schollick.htm>

In Aldingham church, to the left of the altar is a stone commemorating the life of the Rev. John Stonard. He was born in Surrey in 1769, ordained 1794, became rector of Aldingham in 1814 and died in 1849. The Rev. Stonard was a wealthy man, he was building Aldingham Hall when he died, a place that would have been fit for an ironmaster, if ironmasters had better taste. He had a reputation for charity and scholarship, having published several books on theology and spent money freely on his church. In the last year of his life, he was awarded the North Lonsdale Agricultural Society's prize for the best field of mangold wurzels, (again), he was painted in oils by Edward J. Schollick, and he saw EJS married to Margaret Jackson of Waterhead, Ambleside.

The story goes that the butler, Edward Jones Schollick had saved his master's life when they were out on the sands, but in the court case of 1861, EJS said that he was adopted by John Stonard. The estate passed to E. J. Schollick, then aged 24. The estate included Aldingham Hall, land at Scales, Newbiggin and at North Scale on Walney. The Scales estate was rough grazing on the edge of Birkkrigg Common. It included a limestone quarry, which was leased to the Commissioners of Woods and Forests from 1869 to 1902.

EJS subscribed to every public appeal in the next decade. His name appears below the Dukes, Ainslies and Wadhams and above the rest. The contributions include the Hoad monument, Walney church, Pennington parsonage, Lindal school and many more, but that did not prevent him from falling out with the churchwardens. He wanted five pews in Aldingham church, to see that his household was all present, but the churchwardens would only allow him three pews, seating eighteen. EJS took it to Carlisle court and lost.

Soulby's Ulverston Advertiser reported a burglary in January 1851:

"...a small detached room at Tarn Cottage, Urswick, the residence of E J Schollick esq was burgulariously entered and a quantity of fine apples taken away. It is supposed that the thieves had been attracted to the premises in the hope of obtaining something better than apples. Mr Schollick had slaughtered two pigs the previous day..."

In June, Tarn Cottage was up for sale. The butler, artist and butcher had moved into Aldingham Hall.

The article goes on to outline Schollick's commercial enterprises.

The Schollick's had shipbuilding interests on the Ulverston Canal. Alan Pearson's recent book *The History of the Ulverston Canal* (2019) sold in aid of the Ulverston Canal Regeneration Group, makes reference on p26/7 to Samuel Shollick (*sic*) and E. J. Shollick. "Mr. Samuel Shollick started a shipbuilding establishment at Canal Foot, but this yard did not last long. It is possible it was taken over by Shollick's foreman Mr. John Wilson"

Returning to *Ancestry*, the **1861 Census** creates more questions: living at Aldingham Hall were Edward Jones Schollick (36), Gentleman, born Egton-cum-Newland, Lancs; Margret Schollick (*sic*) (37), born Windermere, Westmorland, together with their 7 sons, John Stonard Fortescue (10); Edward Stonard (9); William Stonard (7); James Stonard (6); Alfred Stonard (4); Fredrick (*sic*) (2); Charles Stonard (1), plus Henry Martyn Burgess (29), Tutor, BA Trinity College Dublin, born Luton, Beds, and 5 servants.

Why did these children have a different surname to their parents? Is it simply their common middle name? Or is it simply an omission by the Census enumerator? This appears to be the case: in the **1851 Census** living at Much (Great) Urswick, John Schollick is 4 months old.



Several died young, and were buried at Aldingham: Edward Stonard Schollick (18) of Highgate, nr. London, on 14 Jan 1871; Frank Stonard Schollick (6 weeks) of Aldingham Hall, on 27 Jan 1863; George Stonard Schollick (1 yr 9 months) of Aldingham Hall, on 10 Feb 1863, and James Stonard Schollick (18), of Highgate nr. London, on 17 Dec 1873.

Pictures of the graves (left) of Frank Stonard Schollick and George Stonard Schollick (d 1863) and (right) Edward Stonard Schollick (d 1871). His brother James is buried with an identical stone next to him.

The **London Gazette April 19th 1870** has news of the dissolving of the partnership between Messrs. Thomas Roper, Wordsworth Harrison, H.W. Mackereth, E.J. Schollick, John Brewer, Snr., William Ashburner, George Porter, James Gildart, Richard Storey, Thomas Ormandy, Edward Storey, carrying on business under the name of the Ulverston and Barrow Rope Company.

The Schollicks moved to Australia, where a headstone at St. Kilda Cemetery, Victoria, reads as left. Edward Schollick travelled on the City of Adelaide from Melbourne to Sydney on 25 April 1881.

Margaret, wife of E.J. SCHOLICK & dtr of Thomas & Eleanor JACKSON, of Waterhead Ambleside England, born 8.3.1824	26. 1.1896
Margaret STONARD, only daughter of the late Edward & Margaret SCHOLICK	21. 6.1934
Edward Jones SCHOLICK, formerly of Aldingham Hall, Lancashire England & Oondooroo Station Qld., born 29.5.1824, died at South Yarra	10. 4.1908
also Mabel Edith, wife of H.S. SCHOLICK died at "Wanganella"	16. 4.1916
Herbert Stonard SCHOLICK	24. 6.1944

He appears to have lost his money: the **National Probate Calendar 1909** has SCHOLICK Edward Jones of 36 Arthur-street, South Yarra, Victoria died 10 April 1908. Probate **London** 12 October to Herbert Stonard Schollick, Gentleman. Effects £127 10s 4d.