

## The Petty Family

In Memory Of  
EDMUND PETTY of Ulverstone, Gent<sup>t</sup>  
Who died 17<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1816  
Aged 40 Years.  
And HANNAH PETTY, his Sister who died  
the xxx July 1818, Aged 37 Years.  
And of WILLIAM PETTY, Brother  
of the above, who died June 29<sup>th</sup> 1824,  
aged 41 Years.  
And MARY ANN PETTY, eldest Daughter  
of GEORGE SHAW PETTY, Brother  
of the above, who died April 6<sup>th</sup> 1838.  
Aged 17 Years.  
And JANE PETTY, Sister of the above  
EDMUND PETTY who died Jan 7<sup>th</sup>  
1850. Aged 71 Years.  
And MARGARET PETTY, Her Sister  
who died November 28<sup>th</sup> 1853,  
Aged 80 Years.  
And MARY PETTY Her Sister,  
who died November 9<sup>th</sup> 1859,  
Aged 84 Years.  
And GEORGE SHAW PETTY, Her  
Brother, who died February 15<sup>th</sup> 1872,  
Aged 82 Years.  
Also HANNAH, widow of G.S.PETTY,  
who died Sep<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1881, Aged 88 Years.  
Also of THOMAS SHAW PETTY, Eldest Son  
of GEORGE SHAW And HANNAH PETTY,  
who died Dec<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1903, in his 77<sup>th</sup> Year.



There are a lot of Petty's listed on the gravestone above the large family vault. Occasionally it has given the stonemason some difficulties e.g. Hannah's entry has a smaller lettering for 'widow'.

**Lancashire OnLine Parish Clerk** has a variety of information for Urswick:

Thomas Petty, Gentleman, of Ulverston, married Anne Shaw, Spinster, of Urswick, 3 Feb 1772 at Urswick Church.

Margaret Petty baptised 8 Feb 1773. Daughter of Thos. Petty.  
Mary Petty baptised 12 Feb 1775. Daughter of Thos. Petty.  
Edmund Petty baptised 9 Nov 1776. Son of Thomas Petty.  
Jane Petty baptised 28 Nov 1778. Daughter of Thomas Petty.  
Hannah Petty baptised 7 July 1780. Daughter of Thos. Petty.  
William Petty baptised 2 March 1783. Son of Thos. Petty.  
Thomas Petty baptised 3 June 1786. Son of Thos Petty.

George Shaw Petty baptised 24 January 1790. Son of Thos. Petty.

John Petty baptised 15 October 1793. Son of Thos. Petty.

The Petty's lived at Wellhouse. In no baptismal record is Mrs. Petty's name recorded. All the children except Thomas and John are mentioned on the gravestone.

None of the daughters appear to have married.

At the time of the **1841 Census**, which did not collect as much information as subsequent Censuses and rounded many ages, living on Cavendish Street, Ulverstone (sic), were Margaret Petty (65), Mary Petty (65), Jane Petty (60), and their servant is Mary Welsh (35). John Whineray (30), Blacksmith, also lives at the same address.

In the **1851 Census**, Margaret Petty (78), Gentlewoman, born Urswick, is living with her sister Mary Petty (76), Gentlewoman, born Urswick at Queen Street, Ulverston. Mary Welch (47), is still their house servant, born Urswick.

There may be another family link worth pursuing, of someone not mentioned on the headstone. Thomas Edmund Petty (25), Curate of Bardsea, born Preston, Lancs, was lodging in Bardsea in the **1851 Census**. Elsewhere we can find out that his parents were Thomas and Lucy Petty. He, transcribed as Thomas Edward Petty, married Agnes Remington in Urswick on 22 September 1852. He died in the second quarter of 1854.

### **George Shaw Petty**

A very faint Marriage Bond on Ancestry dated 11 April 1819 says that George Shaw Petty intended to marry Hannah Fell.

In the **1824 Baines' Directory for Lancashire** PETTY G. Shaw of Fell Mount, Pennington, is listed as a Banker and Wine Merchant.

Whether it is the same house can't be certain, but in the **1861 Census** George S. Petty (71) Banker, born Urswick, is living on Queen Street Ulverston. His wife is Hannah Petty (67), Banker's Wife, born Pennington, Lancs. There are two servants: Betty Rigg (40) Unmarried, Housekeeper, born Ulverston; and Elizabeth Croudson (26) Unmarried, House servant, born Ulverston.

In the **1871 Census** George S. Petty (81) Retired Banker and his wife Hannah (77) are living at Stockbridge House, Stockbridge Lane, Ulverston, along with Sarah Jane Petty (38), Unmarried, Daughter; Ann Atkinson (63) Married, Cook (Domestic), born Settle, Yorkshire; and Mary Postlethwaite (27) Unmarried, Waitress, born Pennington, Lancs.

The **National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations) 1872** has:

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| <b>PETTY George Shaw</b> | <b>4 March</b> | The Will with a Codicil of George Shaw Petty late of Stockbridge House Ulverston in the Parish of Ulverston in the County of <b>Lancaster</b> Banker and Merchant who died 15 February 1872 at Stockbridge House was proved at <b>Lancaster</b> by Thomas Shaw Petty of Preston in the said County Manufacturer and George Petty of Preston Manufacturer the Sons the surviving Executors. |
| Effects under £5000.     |                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

### **Thomas Shaw Petty**

The last named on the gravestone, Thomas Shaw Petty, possibly never lived in Urswick. In the **1861 Census** Thomas S. Petty (34) Flax Spinner?, born Ulverston, Yorkshire (sic) was lodging with others at 2 Houghton Terrace, North Meols, Southport, Lancs.

By the time of the **1880 Electoral Register** his address is 51 Boundary Road, London, N.W. By the **1900 Electoral Register** he is at 123 Mount Street (*but see address in next paragraph but one*), London W. In both cases he is qualified to vote in Urswick due to owning "freehold land in Little Urswick, occupied by John Bentham."

In the **1881 Census** Thomas S. Petty (54), Living on Land and Railway Shares, is a boarder at 51 Boundary Road, Hampstead, where Ann Parry (42) is Head, born Gloster (sic). He is the only boarder, though Ann Parry's two nieces from Ireland live there, and a single servant.

The **1891 Census** finds Thomas S. Petty (64) Living on Own Means, born Ulverston, Lancs., living at 128 Mount Street, St. George, Hanover Square, London. His Visitor is Ann Parry (48) Single, Living on Own Means, born Gloucester. His old landlady! There is also a single servant.

Thomas is still at this address in the **1901 Census**, living on his own, and identified as a Retired Flax Spinner (Employer).

The **National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations) 1904** tells us that Thomas Shaw Petty left Effects valued at £60267 2s 6d, equivalent to about £7.5m in 2021.

He was probably one of the proprietors of the firm of German, Petty & Co., Flax Spinners, of Preston.