

Ellen (d 1929) and Henry Rigg (d 1938)



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ELLEN
DEARLY BELOVED WIFE OF
HENRY RIGG
WHO PASSED FROM EARTH TO
HEAVEN DECEMBER 15TH 1929
AGED 57 YEARS
ALSO THE ABOVE
HENRY RIGG
WHO ENETERED INTO REST
OCTOBER 4TH 1938
AGED 71 YEARS
RE-UNITED

FOREVER WITH THE LORD



(Left) A319 in the Sankey collection, and (above) 7434.
Ellen Rigg was Edward Sankey's (Jnr) sister. The Riggs owned property in Barrow, in which various Sankeys lived. Ellen and Henry lived on Croslands Park, near the roundabout.

In the **1881 Census** Helen (sic) Sankey was living with her parents and siblings at 65 Smeaton Street, Barrow. The household consisted of Edward Sankey (42) Carter, born Lancashire (as were all the following); wife Isabella Sankey (40); with children John Sankey (20) Plasterer; Elizabeth Sankey (18) Dressmaker; Mary Sankey (13) Bookbinder; Isabella Sankey (11) Scholar; Helen (sic) Sankey (8) no occupation recorded; Edward Sankey (6) no occupation recorded; and Annie Sankey (1).

The **1891 Census** has the family at 31 (probably) Strand, Barrow. Edward Sankey (52) is a horsekeeper, born Inskip, Lancs.; wife Isabella (40) born Cloughton, Lancs.; Mary Sankey (23) Dressmaker, born Barrow, Lancs. (as were all the children); Ellen Sankey (18) Upholsterer; Edward Sankey (16) Printer/Compositor; Annie Sankey (11) Scholar; and James Sankey (8) Scholar.

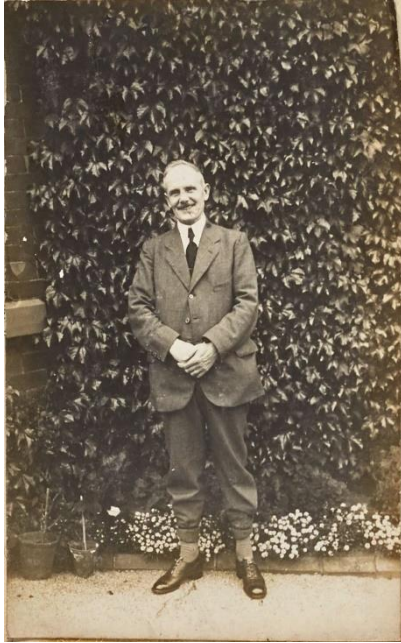
In 1895 Ellen Sankey married Henry Rigg, Barrow. Henry c 1868. Henry Rigg appears in **Kelly's Trade Directory 1895** at 46 Cavendish Street; in the **1905 Electoral Register** he is living at Croslands Park, where he is registered as having 2 freehold houses at 42 Parade Street and 52 Cavendish Street, Barrow.

Henry Rigg was baptised 1 September 1867 in Barrow.

The **1871 Census** has Henry Rigg at 12 Top Newton Street, Barrow. The household is father Anthony Rigg (37) Shoemaker, born Lancashire (as were all of the following); mother Jane Barrow Rigg (29); and the siblings are Elizabeth Jane Rigg (13) Scholar; Mary Ann Rigg (11) Scholar; Martha Rigg (8) Scholar; Henry Rigg (3) and Margaret Jane Rigg (1).

The **1881 Census** has Henry Rigg living with his family at 39 Crellin Street, Barrow. They are Anthony Rigg (47) Shoemaker, born Cartmel, Lancs; Jane B. Rigg (39) born Cartmel; Henry Rigg (13) Scholar, born Barrow; Margt. J. Rigg (11) Scholar; Anthony W. Rigg (9) Scholar; Emma Rigg (7) Scholar; Marian Rigg (5) and Jane B. Rigg (1).

The **1891 Census** sees the Rigg's further down the road at 27 Crellin Street. Head Anthony Rigg (57) Shoe Maker, born Haverthwaite, Lancs., shares the household with wife Jane B. Rigg (49), born Holker, Lancs., and children (all born Barrow) Henry Rigg (23) Shoe maker; Anthony W. Rigg (19) Shoe Maker's Apprentice; Jessamine Rigg (sic) (17) No occupation recorded; Marion Rigg (15) Assisting at home; Jane B. Rigg (11) Scholar; Ralph Rigg (8) Scholar. There are also two Boarders: Fred A. Robinson (18) Shipyard Labourer, born Blackburn, Lancs.; and Milton? Robinson (16) Shipyard Labourer, born Blackburn, who is presumably his brother.



In the **1901 Census** Ellen Rigg (28) and Henry Rigg (33) Boot Maker, born Barrow, are living at 44 Parade Street (next door to Edward – Paper Merchant and Printer - and Catherine Sankey at 42).

In the **1911 Census** they are living at Croslands Park, Barrow (no house number). Henry is a Boot Dealer (own account).

Ellen Rigg died 15 December 1929, of 79 Croslands Park, Barrow aged 57 yrs, leaving £2922 14s 4d to Henry Rigg, Boot and Shoe Dealer. **National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations) 1930**

Henry Rigg (left, 7431 in the Sankey collection) died 4 October 1938, leaving effects of £45603 18s 7d to Ralph Rigg, boot & shoe dealer; Annie Fisher (wife of John Thomas Fisher) and Frederick Kewley, boot and shoe company manager.

The Rigg's had shoe shops in Barrow e.g. Dalton Road, into the 1980s at least. Left is 7035 (negative) Rigg's Shoe Shop and Repair Works Staff from the Sankey Archive.

The historic photographs are from the Sankey Family Photographic Collection, courtesy of Cumbria Archives.

