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*"Tony's Scrapbook of Notes
About The Surdevan Name,
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INTRODUCTION

This document is nothing more than a collection of information, ideas, comments, concerning the history of the Surdevan name, with reference in particular to the Surdevan family now living in and around the Greater Manchester area in the UK. It actually contains little in the way of historical information, and could be sub-titled "Tony's Scrapbook of Notes About The Surdevan Name, & Surdevan Family Ancestry".

Its main purpose, originally, was to help me keep track of the large amount of data gathered off the world-wide-web and other sources. Some of the notes are simply memos to myself, and will probably mean nothing to other users. However, many dates, references, and other useful facts are given. Now available online, it means other family members, or others interested in the Surdevan name, can also browse through these notes, or print out copies.

At present it consists simply of an MS Word file with some hyperlinks for navigation. At a later stage it may change to, or be linked to, a database; or search macros may be added. For now, of course, searches within this document can be made by clicking on the Binoculars if they are shown on your toolbar, or by clicking on Edit ... Find.

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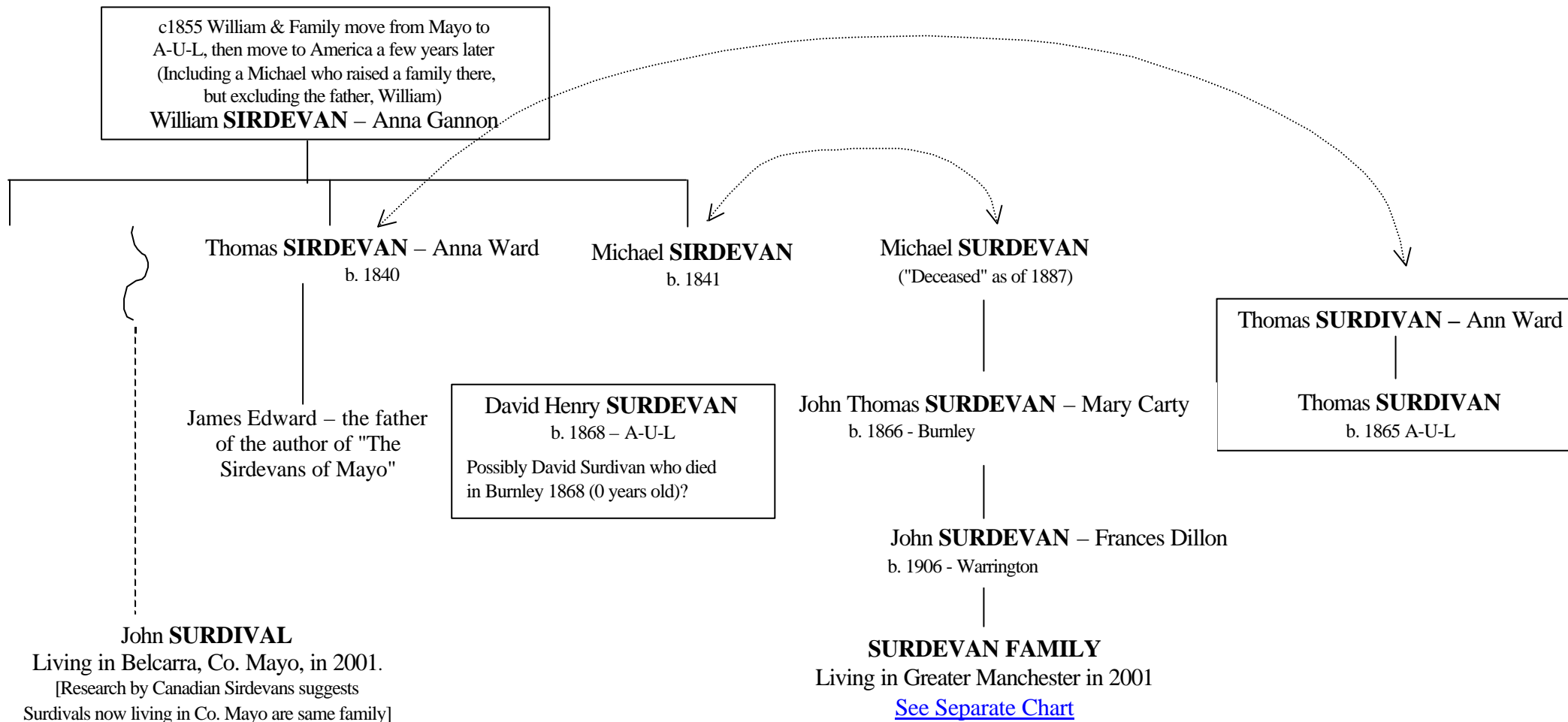
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**Chart 1 – ATTEMPT TO DRAW ANY POSSIBLE LINK
BETWEEN SURDEVAN AND OTHER SPELLINGS**

↔ = the same people??



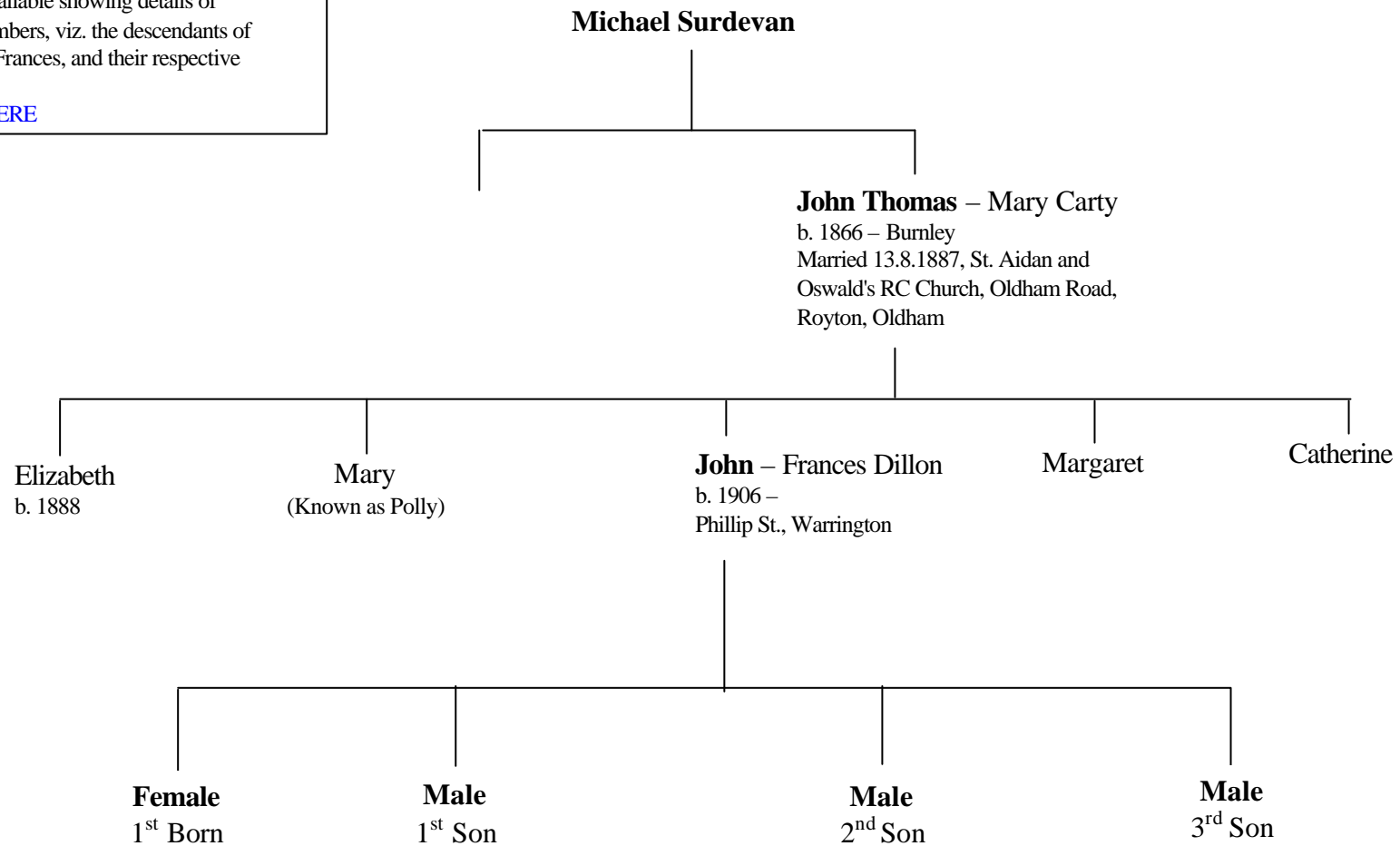
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Chart 2 - SURDEVAN Family Tree

A password protected version of this chart is available showing details of living members, viz. the descendants of John and Frances, and their respective families

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MISC INFO/COMMENTS

Extracts from Jon's emails, Sept 2001 ...

From the other paperwork I have, this is the only firm data:

There was someone called Thomas living in A-u-L in 1865.
He was the father of a child called Thomas Sirdevan who was born in A-u-L in 1865.

From the documents we have there is no evidence that Michael Surdevan or Thomas Sirdevan senior were descended from William Sirdevan - or that they were related to each other.

All of the above are the only hard facts that can be deduced from the papers we have.

To establish any connections we would have to obtain birth - and possibly marriage - records for Michael and Thomas senior.

However:

According to the Canadian research written up in 1979 William Sirdevan had a son called Thomas born in 1840 and a son called Michael born in 1841.

The person who supplied this has carried out more recent research into Mayo records.
(This shows that William also had, amongst other children, a son called John - the name seems to persist.)

It also shows that he had a daughter called Mary - the Marriage Certificate for John Thomas shows a Mary Surdevan as a witness. Dad was the youngest child I think, not sure about the birth order of the others.

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Star Sturdevant and others in US were found in email searches probably around 1999; no records at present

Will Surdevan (exact spelling, I think) was found in US Census records, in internet search 2001; no record at present

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RECORDS FROM ANCESTRY.COM, found online 21/11/01.

Surdevan, Annie

Year:	1893	Quarter:	Jun
Record Type:	Births	Contributer:	Joan
District:	Warrington		
Volume:	8c	Page:	225

Surdevan, David Henry

Year:	1868	Quarter:	Mar
Record Type:	Births	Contributer:	cmjawa
District:	Ashton under Lyne		
Volume:	8d	Page:	428

Surdevan, James

Year:	1868	Quarter:	Sep
Record Type:	Marriages	Contributer:	sgaunt
District:	Bolton		
Volume:	8c	Page:	407

Surdevan, Mary Ellen

Year:	1884	Quarter:	Jun
Record Type:	Marriages	Contributer:	bperowne
District:	Burnley		
Volume:	8e	Page:	392

Surdevan, Patrick Francis

Year:	1871	Quarter:	Jun
Record Type:	Marriages	Contributer:	jubilate
District:	Ashton under Lyne		
Volume:	8d	Page:	947

Record 6 was same as above but with Originator shown as M1871 (presumably Marriages 1871)

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FROM RECORDS ON FILE AT OLDHAM LOCAL STUDIES CENTRE, obtained 29/11/01.

FROM 1881 (APRIL 5th) CENSUS:

John Thomas Surdevan

Age: 15

Employment: Piecer in Cot+

Lodger

Head of household: Maurice Condon

Address: 37 Orchard Street, Royton

Place of birth: Parish of Burnley in County of Lancaster

FROM 1891 CENSUS:

John Thomas Surdevan

Age: 26

Employment: Railway (I think) Goods Porter

Place of birth: Lancashire, Burnley

Address: 5 Cotton Street, Royton

No. of rooms occupied: 2

Mary Surdevan - wife - age 26 - born Warrington

Elizabeth Surdevan - daughter - age 3

Kate Ayers - Sister (married) - age 29

John Ayers - Nephew - age 7

Ellen Ayers - Niece - age 5

Mary Ayers - Niece - age 3

Note re addresses (above and on John T's Marriage Cert.):

Union Street is still in Royton, near St. Aidan's & St. Oswald's. Spencer Street and Orchard Street are shown on an old map of Oldham (1860-ish) and are also very near the church. Not checked Cotton Street - not on current maps.

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From <http://www.irishfamilyrecords.com/irishrecords/SilverStream/Pages/ircrst.html?action=newQuery> 29/11/01

IRISH BIRTHS (Surdival)

Surname	Forenames	Year	County
SURDIVAL	Anne	1867	Mayo
SURDIVAL	Biddy	1871	Mayo
SURDIVAL	Catherine	1868	Mayo
SURDIVAL	John	1867	Mayo
SURDIVAL	Mary	1870	Mayo
SURDIVAL	Michael	1869	Mayo
SURDIVAL	Patrick	1870	Mayo
SURDIVAL	Patt	1871	Mayo
SURDIVAL	William	1868	Mayo

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US ARRIVAL RECORDS, ELLIS ISLAND (Off internet: <http://www.ellisland.org>)

SIRDEVAN

1. Margt. Sirdevan		1908	26
2. David Sirdevan		1908	57
3. Margt. Sirdevan		1908	36
4. William Sirdevan	Phila., Pa.	1915	28
5. James Edward Sirdevan			

Name: Sirdevan, Margt
Ethnicity:
Place of Residence:
Date of Arrival: August 15, 1908
Age on Arrival: 26y
Gender: F
Marital Status: S
Ship of Travel: Lucania
Port of Departure: Liverpool, England, UK
A U.S. citizen

Name: Sirdevan, David
Ethnicity:
Place of Residence:
Date of Arrival: August 15, 1908
Age on Arrival: 57y
Gender: M
Marital Status: M
Ship of Travel: Lucania
Port of Departure: Liverpool, England, UK
A U.S. citizen

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SIRDEVAN, contd.

Name: Sirdevan, Margt.
Ethnicity:
Place of Residence:
Date of Arrival: August 15, 1908
Age on Arrival: 36y
Gender: F
Marital Status: S
Ship of Travel: Luciana
Port of Departure: Liverpool, England, UK
A U.S. citizen

Name: Sirdevan, William
Ethnicity:
Place of Residence: Phila., Pa.
Date of Arrival: November 11, 1915
Age on Arrival: 28y
Gender: M
Marital Status: S
Ship of Travel: Carrillo
Port of Departure: Cartagena, Bolivar, Colombia
A U.S. citizen

Ship's manifest gives William Sirdevan's place and date of birth as Olean NY 28th Dec 1886, and his address in the United States as 571 The Bullitt Building Phila, Pa. Also on the manifest is a Milton Houston aged 35 of the same address. Somebody has bracketed William Sirdevan and Milton Houston together in pen on the manifest.

Name: Sirdevan, James Edward
Ethnicity: Canadian
Place of Residence:
Date of Arrival: December 12, 1921
Age on Arrival: 46y 3m
Gender: M
Marital Status: M
Ship of Travel: Santa Luisa
Port of Departure: Paita, Piura, Peru

Ship's manifest shows James Edward Sirdevan's ticket being paid for by Int Petroleum Co Ltd, and his place of birth as Titusville, Pa.

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US ARRIVAL RECORDS, ELLIS ISLAND (Off internet: <http://www.ellisland.org>)

SURDIVAL

1. Ellen Surdival	Belcarra, Ireland	1910	28
2. Mary Surdival	Castlebar, Ireland	1913	20
3. Brid. Surdival	Balla	1898	19
4. Bridget Surdival		1907	26
5. William Surdival		1909	49

Name: Surdival, Ellen
Ethnicity: Irish
Place of Residence: Belcarra, Ireland
Date of Arrival: April 14, 1910
Age on Arrival: 28y
Gender: F
Marital Status: S
Ship of Travel: Caronia
Port of Departure: Queenstown, Cork, Munster, Ireland

Name: Surdival, Mary
Ethnicity: British
Place of Residence: Castlebar, Ireland
Date of Arrival: May 03, 1913
Age on Arrival: 20y
Gender: F
Marital Status: S
Ship of Travel: Cedric
Port of Departure: Queenstown, Cork, Munster, Ireland

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SURDIVAL, contd.

Name: Surdival, Brid.
Ethnicity: Irish
Place of Residence: Balla
Date of Arrival: April 22, 1898
Age on Arrival: 19y
Gender: F
Marital Status: S
Ship of Travel: Germanic
Port of Departure: Queenstown, Cork, Munster, Ireland

Name: Surdival, Bridget
Ethnicity: Ireland, Irish
Place of Residence:
Date of Arrival: October 08, 1907
Age on Arrival: 26y
Gender: F
Marital Status: S
Ship of Travel: Lucania
Port of Departure: Queenstown, Cork, Munster, Ireland

Name: Surdival, William
Ethnicity:
Place of Residence:
Date of Arrival: August 28, 1909
Age on Arrival: 49y
Gender: M
Marital Status: M
Ship of Travel: Campania
Port of Departure: Liverpool, England, UK
A U.S. citizen

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EMAIL FROM MICHAEL HAWLEY, FEB 2002 (SIRDEVAN CONTACTS)

Hi Tony: No Surdevan's found, but I did locate 14 Sirdevans, spread throughout the country. No Surdivans either. I know we nipped your language, I guess there were great liberties taken with traditional spellings as well. Hope this might be helpful, please let me know if I can be of further assistance. I'm a retired police officer, now an attorney (or barrister, I guess would be the better term there) so I have access to a lot of databases and sources. Good luck in your research.

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Stacey " " " "
Terry 1114 Cherry St, Jacksonville, Fla 32205 904-981-0490
Terry 375 Toccoa Rd, Orange Park, Fla 32073 904-264-3239
Mark 298 Derby St, Newton, Mass 02465 617-630-9702
Mark M " " "
Donald 18 Stonegate Dr. Mount Holly, NJ 08060 609-267-4672
Terry 42 Garden Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060 609-261-4108
Colleen 143 Utica Street Brockport NY 14420 585-395-9195
James 85 2nd Place, Brooklyn, NY 718-694-8443
Kevin 83 Chateau Terrace, Buffalo NY 14226 716-839-7845
Theresa " " " "

I ran a name check in driver's license, voter registration, real estate taxes, banking, social security and vehicle registration databases nationwide, using all three spellings of the name, these were all that were returned. Certainly there may be a Surdevan in the US who doesn't drive, doesn't vote, doesn't own property, doesn't have a bank account, doesn't pay taxes and doesn't own an auto, but it's unlikely.

Best Regards,

Michael Hawley

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EMAIL (extract) FROM MICHAEL HAWLEY, MARCH 2002 (SIRDEVAN CONTACTS)

Tony: Thus far it appears that your prior research is on target. My sources advise/show that the only folks on the globe with the Surdevan name are you and your family. There were the people in the US with the variation on the spelling that I sent to you previously, but nothing else shows in any of the data bases, which are fairly extensive.

Regards,

Michael