

Samuel Brownfield

5. IV. SAMUEL BROWNFIELD was born on February 7, 1800 and christened on September 2, 1800 in St Alphege's.¹ Samuel was bound as an apprentice waterman on August 31, 1815² but there is no record of him completing his term. He was living with his parents at Crane Street when he died at the age of 27. He was buried at St Alphege's on May 16, 1827.³

John Brownfield

5. V. JOHN BROWNFIELD who was born on April 16, 1802, and christened in St Alphege's on May 7, 1802.⁴ He died aged just six and was buried on April 23, 1808 in St Alphege's.⁵

Sarah Ann Brownfield

5. VI. SARAH ANN BROWNFIELD was born on March 8, 1804; and christened on April 1st 1804 in St Alphege's.⁶ She married Robert Roberts on May 5, 1823 in St Alphege's.⁷ In 1851 Sarah Ann Roberts aged 47, was living with her husband Robert Roberts, a merchant, and an unmarried daughter, Mary Ann aged 25, at 27 Park Row, next to the Police Station. There were also a 25 year old cook, Catherine Withers and a 22 year old servant Jane Pearse in the house. Sarah Ann's place of birth is given as Greenwich and Mary Ann's as Bermondsey.⁸ There is a record in the 1881 census for a Sarah Roberts, a widow, whose birth is given as 1805 in Deptford, living at 2, Queen Street, Deptford. She was living on Parish Support.⁹ In 1891 there is a Sarah Roberts aged 87, an inmate of the Greenwich Union Workhouse, Woolwich Road, Greenwich. Her birthplace was also given as Deptford.¹⁰

George Brownfield

5. VII. GEORGE BROWNFIELD was born on December the 14, 1805, christened on January 12, 1806¹¹ and died on January 17, 1806.¹²

Mary Ann Brownfield

5. VIII. MARY ANN BROWNFIELD was born December 27, 1806 in East Greenwich and christened on January 26, 1807 at St Alphege's Church.¹³ She married John Fry on March the 26th 1831 at St Alphege's.¹⁴ John Fry had been born on November 27, 1801 and christened at St Nicholas' Church, Deptford. His father was John Fry, who in 1797 when his first child was born, gave his occupation as a potter, but by 1801 when John was born, he is recorded as a victualler. John's mother was a Mary Smith. In 1803 the family are recorded as living at Hughes Field, Deptford.¹⁵ In 1841 John's occupation was an auctioneer and victualler, but in the 1851 census, Mary Ann is recorded as a 43 year old widow, a victualler, living with her 15 year old son Walter, in Bexley Place, Greenwich. They have a 21 year old house servant Hannah Joiner.¹⁶

John and Mary Ann's eldest son John William Fry became a doctor and surgeon at Waterbury in Kent and two of their grandchildren also became doctors at

Waterbury. The name of Brownfield persisted as a Christian name for at least a further 3 generations as not only was one of Mary Ann's grandchildren christened Arthur Brownfield Fry but there was also a great granddaughter born in 1898 whose full name was Joan Frances Brownfield Fry.¹⁷

COLONEL A, B FRY *Colonel Arthur Brownfield Fry, CB, C.I.E, D.S.O., M.D, died recently (1954) at the age of 81, The third son of the late Dr. J. W. Fry, of Wateringbury, Kent, he was born in 1873 and was educated at Eastbourne College and the London Hospital. He joined the Indian Medical Service in 1899 and within a year saw active service in Waziristan, He took part in the Tibet Mission of 1904, During the 1914-18 War he served in France and Mesopotamia, was mentioned three times in dispatches, and was awarded the D.S.O. in 1917. He was created C.I.E. in 1919. For a time he was Professor of Hygiene in the Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine and from 1925 until his retirement in 1930 was Assistant Director of Medical Services in the Presidency District. He was appointed C.B. on his retirement. He was unmarried.*¹⁸

Sources

Samuel, John, George and Mary Ann Brownfield

1. St Alphege Baptismal register entry for Samuel Brownfield 2 Sep 1800. Transcript in Greenwich Local History Library.
2. Waterman and Lighterman's Company quarterage book, London Guildhall Library.
3. St Alphege Burial register, LDS film #2544591. Transcript Mary Taylor.
4. St Alphege Baptismal register entry for John Brownfield 29 June 1794. Transcript in Greenwich Local History Library.
5. St Alphege Burial register entry for John Brownfield 23 April 1808. Transcript in Greenwich Local History Library.
6. St Alphege Baptismal register entry for Sarah Ann Brownfield 1 April 1804. Transcript in Greenwich Local History.
7. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, International Genealogical Index @, Copyright © 1980, 1997, date as of February 1997.
8. 1851 census F.R.C. HO107/1587 fol 56b p9:
9. LDS 1881 British Census index online. RG11 0705/22 page 38.
10. The London 1891 census S & N British Data Archive CD RG12 -0515 folio 128b
11. St Alphege Baptismal register entry for George Brownfield 29 June 1794. Transcript in Greenwich Local History Library.
12. St Alphege Burial register entry for George Brownfield 17 Jan. 1806. Transcript in Greenwich Local History Library.
13. St Alphege Baptismal register entry for Mary Ann Brownfield 26 Jan 1807. Transcript in Greenwich Local History Library.
14. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, International Genealogical Index @, Copyright © 1980, 1997, data as of February 1997.
15. "Halfpenny Index" by M.Timms, Northwich, Cheshire (1992). Letter from Rhonda Mckinnon.
16. 1851 census F.R.C. HO107/1586 fol. 257b p45
17. GRO births 1898, Malling (Kent) Vol 2a p.690.
18. The Times on-line, Sep 07, 1954; pg. 10; Issue 53030; col E