



Archive Update No. 25 Anniversary Edition

This issue celebrates the 25th edition of the Archive Update since the launch in May 1996. Over that time 73 pages containing 93 items illustrated with 71 photographs and graphics have been published. In addition, a substantial amount of material, for example, some 70 pages of memories, has been accumulated. It is hoped that readers have had as much enjoyment as the editor.

The purpose behind the Update and Archive is to collect and collate photographs, memories and other material before they become scattered and dispersed amongst an already diverse family and lost forever. The birth of Joseph(1) in 1822 and the closure of the Potteries in 1960 spans almost two centuries of great social and economic change. A record of the South family is also a history of those times and (see list below) is acknowledged as such.

Many thanks to all who have contributed. Compiling the archive is like completing a jigsaw in which every piece, large or small, contributes to completing the puzzle. Any recollected personal memory or remembered comment of parents and grandparents is of importance.

Samuel South & Sons is referred to in the following publications:

THE HISTORY OF TOTTENHAM – SECOND SERIES (p 83)	Fred Fisk	Fred Fisk 1923
HARINGEY BEFORE OUR TIME (P 11)	Ian Murray	Hornsey HS 1993
IN TIMES PAST – WOOD GREEN & TOTTENHAM (p 109)	Peter Curtis	Hornsey HS 1991
TOTTENHAM, HORNSEY & WOOD GREEN (p 29)	Chris Protz	Haringey Council 1998
LONDON’S LEA VALLEY (p 7)	Jim Lewis	Phillimore 1999
HERTFORDSHIRE’S PAST (Issue 42)	Peter Rooke	Herts. Arch. Council 1997
‘NOW TURNED INTO FAIR GARDEN PLOTS’	Burnby & Robinson	Edmonton HS 1983
THE LEA VALLEY NURSERY INDUSTRY (Video)	Peter Rooke	Harris Prods. 1999

Anniversary Quiz

Readers are invited to test their knowledge in the following quiz. All of the information required has appeared either in editions of the Update or the chapters of “South from Barley” (answers at the foot of page 3):

- 1) What was the name of Joseph(1)’s first wife?
a) Mary-Anne b) Emma c) Alice
- 2) In what village was Joseph(1) born?
a) Barkway b) Braughing c) Barley
- 3) In what year did Joseph(1) emigrate to New Zealand?
a) 1868 b) 1874 c) 1886
- 4) What was the name of Joseph(1)’s second son?
a) Saul b) Seth c) Solomon
- 5) In what year did Samuel(1) transfer his pottery from Dysons Road to White Hart Lane?
a) 1882 b) 1886 c) 1888
- 6) Who was reported as saying that large industrial groupings were “without a soul to be damned or a body to be kicked?”
a) Samuel(1) b) Samuel(2) c) Samuel(3)
- 7) What did Joseph(2)’s death result from?
a) a fall b) potter’s thumb c) food poisoning
- 8) How many pots were counted at a stock taking during the 1930’s?
a) 2,000,000 b) 4,000,000 c) 8,000,000
- 9) What was the denomination of the nonconformist church in which Samuel(2) and Emily King were married?
a) Methodist b) Baptist c) Congregationalist
- 10) In what year did potmaking cease at the Potteries?
a) 1960 b) 1961 c) 1962

What was your rating?

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| 8 – 10 | Well done, you certainly know your South history. |
| 5 – 7 | Could do better. |
| 3 – 5 | You have not been paying attention. |
| 0 – 2 | I don’t know why I bother! |

Other Facts and Figures

During 1999 the memorial stone of Samuel(1) and Emily Maud, which also commemorates “Ted” South, at Edmonton Cemetery (plot 723.1) was refurbished. The work included repolishing the granite fascia, restoring missing letters and replacing chippings.

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There is a reference to “South’s Potteries” in the archives section of the Public Records Office web site (www.pro.gov.uk) to a sales ledger for 1882-1887 held by the Local History Unit at Bruce Castle Museum. A first inspection of the ledger has been undertaken and a report will appear in the next Update. The correct dates covered are 1882-1885.

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Answers to Quiz

1) b 2) c 3) b 4) c 5) b 6) b 7) a 8) c 9) c 10) a

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