



THE KIPLING FAMILY HISTORY NEWSLETTER #32

November 2025

Following the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, this edition of the newsletter brings to a conclusion the story of Kiplings killed in that war, with records of the three 1945 deaths. Also concluded is the story of those Kiplings who served in the Durham Home Guard, the records of those born in 1925 now having been released under the 100-year rule. Other records from WW2 have also recently become available, and some example are shown. Finally, there are a few interesting snippets from other times.

1945 WW2 Deaths

Private Gilbert Mack Kipling

Gilbert served in the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry. He enlisted in 1942 at Winnipeg, and served in Canada until 1944, landing in Belgium in October. His regiment was engaged in the Battle of the Rhineland, when the 2nd and 3rd Canadian Infantry Divisions and the 4th Canadian Armoured Division took part in the drive southwards from Nijmegen in the Netherlands to clear the territory between the Maas and the Rhine in February and March 1945. He died on 8 March 1945, aged 38. He is buried in Groesbeek Canadian war cemetery, where his headstone has the personal inscription SAFE IN THE ARMS OF JESUS.

Ly. Kipling. Grade 5-35 - Truck Driver

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Received... *1944*... Checked... *1944*... Card... *1944*... Observations... *1944*

DUPLICATE

M.D. *XI JUN 2 1944*... Observed...

(To be completed in triplicate. Copy designation to be shown by striking out terms not applicable.)

No. 10 D.D. (General List) Regimental Number *H103612*

ACTIVE FORMATIONS AND UNITS OF THE CANADIAN ARMY

ATTESTATION PAPER

1. Surname... **KIPLING**

2. Christian Names... **Gilbert Mack**

3. Present address... **196 Fort Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada**

4. Date of birth... **February 13th, 1907**

5. Place of birth... **CANADA** **MANITOBA** **CARMEN**
(Country) (County or Province) (Town or Township)

6. Citizenship... **Canada**
(Of What Country are You Now a Citizen)

7. Religion (state denomination)... **Roman Catholic Church**

8. Trade or Calling... **Truck Driver**

9. Married, Widower or Single... **Married**

10. Name of next of kin... **Mrs. Mary Kipling**

11. Relationship... **Wife**

12. Address of next of kin... **196 Fort Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada**

See change

WSG COMPLETED



G. M. KIPLING
Killed

H.103812 PRIVATE
G.M. KIPLING
THE ROYAL HAMILTON
LIGHT INFANTRY
8TH MARCH 1945 AGE 38

SAFE IN THE ARMS

Keppling	Nobin				-	0.1	-	-	*	Hickman	M	S.	(9)
"	Maria					I				Boston in Law	F.	M.	55
"	Alexander					+ -				Hickman	M.	S.	(37)
"	Pete					- +				Hickman	M.	S.	20
"	Alphonse					- +				Hickman	M.	S.	18
"	Louise					- +				Hickman	M.	S.	16
Hernault	as					-				Rodge	M.	S.	8
Ouellette	Mari					-				Boards	F.	C.	2
Landry	George					-	0.1	-	(A)	Hickman	M.	S.	(28)
"	Jenny					-	(C)	-	=	Niece	F.	M.	21

Dudley was an officer in the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, who died on 6 April 1945 in Burma whilst attached to the 1st Bn. West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own). He was 21. He is buried or commemorated at Taukkyan war cemetery, Myanmar,

where his headstone has the personal inscription AT THE GOING DOWN OF THE SUN AND IN THE MORNING WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

Bedfs. & Herts. R.
The undermentioned Cadets to be 2nd Lts.:—
1st Oct. 1944:—
6985978 Dudley Ernest Rudyard KIPLING
(337252).

Jan 1945

London
Gazette 26

Second-Lieutenant Dudley Ernest Rudyard Kipling and Second-Lieutenant Dennis John Clare have been posted to the Beds. and Herts. Regiment as from October 1st and November 23rd 1944. Both were cadets before appointment to our County Regiment.

ROLL OF HONOUR

LIEUTENANT D. E. R. KIPLING

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Kipling, Caw, Londonderry, have been officially notified that their second son, Lieutenant Dudley Ernest Rudyard Kipling, has been killed in action in Burma.

Lieutenant Kipling, who was only twenty-one years of age, was educated at Weymouth and Wellingborough. He joined the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers on leaving school and went to India, where he joined an O.C.T.U. Six months ago he was gazetted to the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, and later became attached to the West Yorkshire Regiment.

His elder brother, who is serving in the R.A.F., recently returned home after three years' active service in Africa.

Biggleswade Chronicle, 16 Feb 1945

Londonderry Sentinel, 17 Apr 1945

He was the son of Dudley Farnsworth and Isabel Sarah Kipling, of Londonderry, Northern Ireland of the **Dean** family group (#190). In 1939 the family had been at Ware, Hertfordshire, apart from Dudley, who was at school at Weymouth College.

62 Kipling Dudley ER - M 21 Nov 23. S At School

There is a memorial to Dudley, his sister, and their father (who died at sea in 1953) in Derry city cemetery.



Able Seaman Thomas Henry Kipling

The final WW2 death was that of sailor Thomas Henry Kipling, who died when his ship was sunk whilst escorting a convoy to Russia. His death is recorded on the Chatham Naval Memorial

1 NAME (Surname first)	2 PORT DIVISION AND OFFICIAL NO.	3 BRANCH OF SERVICE.	4 RATING	5 SHIP OR UNIT.	6 DATE OF BIRTH.	7 PLACE OF BIRTH.	8 DATE OF DEATH.	9 CAUSE OF DEATH.	10 PLACE OF DEATH.
KIPLING, Thomas Henry	G/JX.549738	R.N.	A.B.	H.M.S. GOODALL	4.3.1926	Leaholme, Co. Durham	29.4.1945	2.	At Sea

HMS Goodall was a British Captain-class frigate. On 29 April 1945, Goodall was escorting Convoy RA 66 in the Barents Sea. At about 22:00, the German submarine U-286 hit Goodall with a torpedo, causing her ammunition magazine to detonate. The explosion blew away the forward part of the ship, killing the captain and 94 other crewmen.



Thomas was the son of Henry and Dorothy Kipling, of Leeholme, Co. Durham, of the **Bolam** family group (#381). In 1939, he was living with his parents.

144	1	Kipling Henry	-	M	Oct 20 99	M	Coal Filler Underground Hearn
	2	Kipling Dorothy	-	F	Jul 30 01	M	Unpaid house hold etc
	3	Kipling Doris	-	F	Sept 20	S	Confectionary L shop assist
	4	Kipling Kenneth	-	M	Feb 17 25	S	Ware house & errand boy Hearn
	5	Kipling Thomas H.	-	M	Mar 26	S	at School

This record is officially closed.

Helping save a Life

Susannah Kipling left £500 to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution in 1873; this was the equivalent of around £350,000 today (using an average earnings index), so Susannah was giving no mean sum. Susannah was the widow of Thomas Delarue Kipling of the **Dean** family group (see [Stockings](#)).

List of Bequests to the					Royal National Life Boat Institution.		
Name of Testator or Testatrix, and Residence.	Amount.	When proved.	Amount less Duty.	When received.	Names of Executors, &c.	Residence.	Remarks.
(299) Kipling, Susannah, Regent St, 26, Victoria Road, Kentish Town	500	1873 July 15	450	1874 Sept 5	Wm Carter Esq Wm Carter Esq	Harry Bridge, York 25 Milton St, Chelsea	

Curiously, Ray Kipling of the **Barningham** Kiplings was Deputy Director of the RNLI from 1987 to 2001 – and his wife’s name is Susannah!

Kiplings in the Durham Home Guard

This is the concluding part of this series, all records having now been released.

Ralph Kipling (1925-2009)

10 Pl 4 Aug

Army Form W 3064

To be prepared in original only.

FORM OF ENROLMENT IN THE HOME GUARD

Name KIPLING Christian Names RALPH
(Surname First in BLOCK CAPITALS.) F.H.B. 1324/12.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT ON ENROLMENT.

- What is your name? RALPH KIPLING
- What is the date and year of your birth? 18.3.25
- What is your address? 2, GAUNLESS TERRACE, COLEY
- (a) Are you a British subject? YES
(b) Nationality of parents at birth? (b) Father BRITISH
Mother BRITISH
(c) Name, address and relationship of next of kin 2, GAUNLESS TERRACE, COLEY.
- Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, the Armed Forces of the Crown? If so, state particulars of all engagements. NO
- Do you understand that if accepted you will become subject to military law and liable to obey such orders as may be given to you in accordance with instructions for the Home Guard issued by the Army Council, but that these instructions will require you to give part-time service only and will not require you to live away from home? YES
- Do you understand that your service in the Home Guard will be without pay or other emoluments? YES
- Do you understand that in the event of your incurring a disability attributable to your service any claim for compensation will be dealt with under the regulations for the time being in force for the purpose which provide in the case of death or after discharge for permanent disability the same terms as are applicable to private soldiers and their dependants? (There is also provision for disability during periods of temporary incapacity due to volunteer service and during periods prior to discharge in the case of permanent incapacity.) YES
- Do you understand that if you are accepted you will engage to serve in the Home Guard for a period not exceeding the duration of the present emergency but that during that period your service may be determined in accordance with instructions issued by the Army Council, by competent authority at any time and on 14 days' notice in writing given by you? YES

Declaration.

I, Ralph Kipling do solemnly declare that the answers made by me to the foregoing questions are true and I hereby agree to serve in the Home Guard.

Date 3/3/42 Signature of applicant Ralph Kipling
Signature of enrolling authority A. Russell
no. 2 (Company Commander).

Certificate of Acceptance.

(name) is accepted for service in the Home Guard for the following period—
(a) the duration of the emergency
or (b) until 19 FEB 1942

Date 19 FEB 1942 Signature of accepting authority G. M. Long
(Battalion Commander).
**17th DURHAM (BARNARD CASTLE)
BATTALION HOME GUARD**

Discharged on (date) 31 DEC 1945 in consequence of DISBANDMENT OF THE HOME GUARD

The discharge of the above named is hereby confirmed.

Signature G. M. LONG
(Battalion Commander).
**TERRITORIAL ARMY AND AIR FORCE
ASSOCIATION OF THE COUNTY OF DURHAM**

(To be completed by official competent to confirm discharge.)

† Insert cause of discharge, quoting authority.

Ralph Kipling joined the Home Guard in 1942 at the age of 17. His mother was Adeline Fairless Hutchinson (later Kipling) and his father Ralph Kipling of the **Pitcherhouse** family group. He had been living with his mother in 1939 (see 'What the Census Revealed' below)

1	Kipling Adeline	F	—	F	10 May 26.14	Kipling Adeline unpaid
2	Kipling Ralph	—	—	M	15 Mar 25.15	Labourer, Colliery

2 Victoria Cottages, Copley, Durham

Sidney Kipling (1925-44)

Copy 152 COPY

Army Form W 3066
To be prepared in original only, and forwarded to the Territorial Army Association when completed.

FORM OF ENROLMENT IN THE HOME GUARD

Surname... **KIPLING** Christian Names in Full... **Sidney**
(In BLOCK CAPITALS.)
Religion... National Registration No. **FHEB/68/4**

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT ON ENROLMENT.

1. What is your name? ... **Sidney Kipling**
2. What is the date of your birth? ... **14/4/1925**
3. Where were you born? ... **6 Main St South Church**
4. What is your address? ...
5. What is your occupation? ...
6. (a) Are you a British subject? ...
(b) Nationality of parents at birth? ...
(b) Father ...
Mother ...
(c) Are you married or a widower? ...
(d) If married, name and nationality of wife before marriage? ...
(e) Name, address and relationship of next of kin ...
7. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, the Armed Forces of the Crown, including the Home Guard? If so, state particulars of all engagements.

5th Durham

Declaration.

I, **S. Kipling**, do solemnly declare that the answers made by me to the foregoing questions are true.

Date... **28/4/42** Signature of applicant... **(Sd) S. Kipling**
Signature of enrolling authority... **(Sd) G. M. Long**
(Company Commander)

Certificate of Acceptance.

(name) is accepted for service in the Home Guard.

Date... **28/4/42** Signature of accepting authority... **G. M. Long**
(Battalion Commander)

15TH BATT (DURHAM) H.G.

Total service towards engagement in the Home Guard to... **15-7-43**

(date of discharge) ... **1** years **79** days.

Discharged on (date) ... **15-4-43** in consequence of* ...

PER. 6 8-10-43 **JOINED H.M. FORCES**

The discharge of the above named is hereby confirmed.

Station... **Durham**

Date... **16-6-43**

23 JUN 1947

G. M. LONG
PER. ...
TERRITORIAL ARMY AND AIR FORCE
ASSOCIATION OF THE COUNTY OF DURHAM.
Signature ...
(To be completed by official competent to confirm discharge).

Sidney also joined shortly after his 17th birthday. He was from the **Stackholm** Kipling family group, son of Joseph and Louisa Kipling of South Church, Durham. Sidney later joined the army proper and was killed in 1944 in the Normandy offensive, aged just 19 (see [WW2 Kiplings 1940-45.pdf](#)).

What the Census Revealed

Whilst investigating the origins of Ralph Kipling of the Durham Home Guard, born in 1925, the 1921 census revealed an interesting aspect of his parentage. His father was Ralph Kipling of the **Pitcherhouse** family group (see [Pitcherhouse \(part 2\)](#)). In 1891, Ralph senior was a miner living at Woodland near Staindrop in Durham, with wife Tamar and one son, Wilfred.

Ralph Kipling	Head	m	X	Coal Miner	X	York's	Bakerston
Tamar do	wife	m	X			do	Wickipon
Wilfred do	son		X	Scholar		do	St. Stephen

1891 Woodland, Staindrop

A decade later, he had been promoted deputy (underground supervisor) and had a second son, Robert.

Ralph Kipling	Head	38	39	Deputy in Dept of Coal	Worker	Yorkshire Coalfield No. Mickleton
Wilfred Kipling	Son	15		Labourer in Dept of Coal	Worker	Durham: Middleton
Robert Alderson Kipling	Son	1				Durham: Woodland

1901 Woodland, Staindrop

In 1911, Ralph is just 'coalminer', living now at Lynsack.

Ralph Kipling	Head	48	—	Married 26	23	2	1	Coal Miner	130
Lamar Kipling	Wife	—	49	Married				Home	
Wilfred Kipling	Son	24	—	Single				Coal miner & Miner	13
Robert Alderson Kipling	Son	11	—					school	34
Elise Bailey	Worker	15	—	Single				Butcher	

Brotherstone
 Mickleton
 Thronaby
 Woodland
 Eastfords
 Ralph Kipling
 Lynsack
 Butcherknowle
 (#25)

Ralph's wife Tamar died in 1921, and the census that year showed him living with son Robert and a young female servant, Adeline Fairless Hutchinson.

NAME AND SURNAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	SEX	MARRIAGE	BIRTHPLACE AND NATIONALITY	PERSONAL COMPLETION	OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYMENT	PLACE OF WORK
1 Ralph Kipling	Head	57	M	Single	Yorkshire Coalfield	Miner	Longfist Valley to Catbrook	Woodland 1795-22
2 Robert A Kipling	Son	22	M	Single	Woodland	Miner	Catbrook	" 1760-14
3 Adeline Fairless Hutchinson	Servant	25	F	Single	Woodland	General servant	Private	

In 1923, Ralph had a daughter, Alfreda Mary, with Adeline. Sons Ralph and Leaman followed in 1925 and 1927 respectively. Ralph married Adeline in 1930. He was still a miner in 1939, living apart (but in the same village as his wife and son Ralph).

The Legitimacy Act 1926 legitimated children born out of wedlock once their parents had subsequently married. Moreover, it permitted the Registrar-General to issue on request a revised birth certificate showing the mother's married name. Adeline did this in 1930 for Alfreda, but only in 1944 for Ralph and Leaman (see Ralph's original and new certificate below).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
When and where born	Name, if any	Sex	Name and surname of father	Name, surname and maiden surname of mother	Occupation of father	Signature, description and residence of informant	When registered	Signature of registrar	Name entered after registration
Eighteenth March 1925 20, Clifton Terrace, Copley Lane Head Lynsack RD	Ralph	Boy	Ralph Kipling	Adeline Fairless Hutchinson a Housekeeper (Domestic Service)	Coal Miner (Deputy)	Ralph Kipling Father 20, Clifton Terrace, Copley Lane Head, Lynsack RD A. F. Hutchinson Mother, 20, Clifton Terrace Copley Lane Head Hauterknowle	Twentieth May 1925	H. W. Cartman Registrar.	Re-registered under the Legitimacy Act 1926, on Ninth August 1944. A. F.

Eighteenth March 1925 20 Lane Head Copley Lynesack and Softley R.D.	Ralph	Boy	Ralph KIPLING	Adeline Fairless KIPLING formerly HUTCHINSON	Retired Colliery Deputy Overman	A.F. Kipling Mother 2 Gaunless Terrace Copley, Batterknowle Bishop Auckland	Ninth August 1944 On the authority of the Registrar General. 194	Harry T. Leonard Registrar
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In 1939, Ralph was living at Copley with one other person. The hidden entry could be Leaman or Alfreda – neither can be found elsewhere in the register.



Ralph senior died in 1950 and Adeline in 1975 (she is buried in Lynesack cemetery).



UK Military records 1939-59

Ancestry has commenced a project to digitise over 2 million service records. Each provides lots of information, including the different theatre of war in which they served. So far, two Kiplings have been included. This first is John Kipling, who had served throughout the first world war, latterly in the Machine Gun Corps, rejoined in 1940 (aged 44), serving right through until 1945. This time he served in the Royal Army Service Corps as a driver and later transferred to the newly-founded Army Catering Corps. John was of the **Ebenezer** family group.

Inf into *Motor Driver* *me* *AC CORPS*

Registration Number *CANNO 1864* Army Form E 531.

TERRITORIAL ARMY. **ORIGINAL DUPLICATE**

Duration of the period of enlistment.

ATTESTATION OF *John Kipling* Royal Army Service Corps.

No. *T163626* Name *Kipling John* Corps *AC CORPS*

To be filled in by O. i/c Records.

PART I.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- What is your full name and permanent postal address?
 - (Christian Name) *John*
 - (Surname) *KIPLING*
 - (Address) *89 Grogan Road, Deptford, London*
- In or near what Parish or Town were you born?
 - In the Parish of *Deptford Green*
 - In or near the Town of *London*
 - In the County of *London*
- (a) Are you a British Subject?
 - (a) *Yes*
 - (b) (Father) *English*
 - (c) (Mother) *English*
- What is your trade or calling?
 - (a) *Motor Driver*
- (a) What was your age (in years) last birthday?
 - (a) *44*
 - (b) Day, month and year of birth *11. 5. 1895*
- (a) Are you married? (b) How many children are dependent upon you?
 - (a) *No*
 - (b) *4*
- Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Air Force, the Royal Marines, the Militia, the Special Reserve, the Supplementary Reserve, the Territorial Force (or Army), the Imperial Yeomanry, the Volunteers, the Auxiliary Air Force, the Army Reserve, the Air Force Reserve, the Militia Reserve or any Naval Reserve Force, or any O.T.C. or Cadet Unit? If so, state particulars of all engagements.
 - (a) *No*

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)
No. of Part II Order or other Authority	Unit	Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, discharge, forfeiture of pay, awards, severance, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Station, etc. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, etc.)	Place of Casualty	Army Rank	Date	Service not allowed to reckon for pension Yrs. Days	Signature of Officer certifying correctness of entries
Pt 6 1894	103 Spec	Disembarked Egypt	Port Said	Capt	1894		
dt 1871/2	W/F Sec	S.O.S. M.E.F.	18-4-42	Major	18-4-42		
1/3/3003/742	---	Rdm. Hosp. KH	--	G.C.	18-4-42		
1873396/42	---	Discharged Hosp. 44 to 103 Spec W/F Sec	--	--	7.9.42		
Pt No 40. 942	2 H.F.S.	Parad Trade Post as Cpl (Spec) G.I.	--	--	26.9.42		
ME/617/43	103 Spec	Applied: V/H Sgt.	--	--	18.3.42		
W/F Sec	---	" P/Ltd on 2/1/43 wld	--	--	6/4/42		
ME/247/SNH	103 Spec	S.O.S. M.E.F. & B.N.A.P.	do.	do.	27.7.42		
5/1/45	---	Promoted V/H P/A Sgt	C.R.F.	M/SGT	10-12-44		
15/1/45	---	Quartermaster Office War and Army Chap	--	W/SGT	8-6-45		
5/5/45	---	Battled Kishinev and Riga	--	--	15-7-45		
68/45	103 Spec	Posting to Riga BNA	--	--	9-8-45		
827/45	---	Rank to O.K. S.O.S	H.M.E.	--	19.8.45		
1/45	---	Disembarked UK 4 to S.S.	--	--	8.10.45		
2/45	---	Killed 6 W.I.W.S. Hospital den	--	--	21.10.45		
10/45	N.H.W.S.	S.O.S. tho unit on proceeding with draft RMHGZ to BAOR	--	--	--		
TECHNICAL/STU/45	---	Draft RMHGZ TOS xiva List	--	--	--		
	---	53 RHU and BAOR	--	--	--		
MEMBER-	1. G. C.	Law firm and Liaison STRHU	None	--	21-10-45		
26/ANAC/10/3/40	1. J. W.	Law firm 1. Law Firm Sin	N.W.E.	--	16-11-45		
DE/ANAC/10/3/45	1. Smith Sig	Post from 1 Spec W/F gp.	N.W.E.	V/Sgt	10-12-45		
AFW 5169 X8a	---	Embarked NWE for UK and S.O.S BAOR	--	--	--		
	---	CI A Release	--	--	--		
	---	NWE	--	--	--		

Medal cards are now also available, although with some names redacted (where they are of relatives possibly still alive). Here is that of a different Sgt. Fred Kipling, who was killed in 1943 (see Newsletter #28). He was the older brother of Sidney Kipling (see above).

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The only one for a female Kipling is that for Lance Sergeant Mary Isabel Kipling of the ATS (Auxiliary Territorial Service, the female branch of the British army at that time). She was of the **Barningham Kiplings** (#373), daughter of Frank and Mary Kipling.

23540. (C.S. 20)

APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF CAMPAIGN STARS AND MEDALS, Ex-Army Personnel
WRITE IN INK IN BLOCK CAPITALS

I desire Campaign Stars and Medals, as shown below, awarded to me (or to the late)

Number W/56767	Christian or First names MARY ISABEL	Surname of Officer, soldier or auxiliary KIPLING W. SAUL
Class of Release or Discharge and Date	Age and Service Group No.	Rank 4/Lt
Last Regiment or Corps according to cap badge worn (R.A. to state Branch; Home Guard to insert H.G. with County and Battalion number) ATS		

to be ad
(Name)
(Full Address, Post, To, County, Postal and, If appr

NOTE—YOUR STARS or MEDALS may not be issued for **SEVERAL MONTHS**

If you should change your permanent address before send a postcard at once to War Office marked "Medals: New Address" (i) the new address and (ii) No., name and last Regiment or Corps.

Signature of Applicant

If claiming as legatee or next-of-kin, state relationship to deceased

This Box for War Office Use Only
20 FEB 1974
STARS ISSUED

Strike out items which were NOT awarded
STARS (2.0)

MEDALS
DEFENCE ☒ WAR ☒

It's interesting to observe that both sets of medals were applied for long after the war's end; as late as 1993 for Sgt. Fred's posthumous medal set.

Kiplings of the Penny Post

A George Kipling was a sub-sorter at the Westminster office of the General Penny Post Office from between at least 1759 and 1763, a service which conveyed mail within London. The records suggests that he was succeeded in his post by Joseph Kipling, who later became a sorter or sub-sorter at the Post's Chief Office, which was in Bishopsgate Street.

Establishment of the General Penny Post Office

<i>Office & Title</i>	<i>Persons Names</i>	<i>Salary & Pension</i>
<i>Westminster Office</i>		
<i>One Sorter</i>	<i>Henry Porter at 15 p.w.</i>	<i>39. 2. 6</i>
<i>Sub sorters</i>	<i>John Hurst</i>	<i>26. 1. 8</i>
	<i>Joseph Kipling</i>	<i>26. 1. 8</i>
	<i>at 10 p.w.</i>	<i>91. 5. 10.</i>

Postal Establishment Book 1760

*Chief
Penny Post Office
Joseph Kipling
John Hurst
Thomas Woodroffe
Geo. Hurst*

I've not been able to identify George or Joseph, although it's possible that George is the same man who from at least 1767 was clerk at the 'Tenth's office', which collected ecclesiastical tithes (see [The Kiplings of Old London Town](#)). This George was buried at the Maze Pond Baptist Chapel in Southwark, as was a Joseph Kipling. It's possible they were brothers.