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witness to the wedding  
in 1856 was Ellen  
Hassett, prob. his  
mother or sister  
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>>> Helen Hassett  
informant at the death  
of Ellen Hassett  
(her mother?) in 1860

his business purposes;  
**In Birmingham there is a  
Jewelry Quarter museum**  
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raised in a RC family but  
joined Methodist church

President of "Birmingham  
(later British) Jewellers  
Association" in 1938, when  
they hosted Prime Minister  
Neville Chamberlain at their  
annual dinner, immediately  
following his return from  
meeting Adolf Hitler at  
Munich, his speech at the  
dinner being the first  
broadcast after that event

m.1st Apr-Jun.1912  
Aston, Birmingham;  
Annie Elizabeth Law  
(or Hughes?) d.1951

m.2nd Betty E. Bolland

>>> William "Billy" Joseph  
Blennerhassett  
(alias Blenner-Hassett);  
b.Apr-Jun.1891 Aston,  
Birmingham;  
emig. to Canada; unnm.

d.23.4.1915  
K.I.A. (WWI Belgium);  
Private (Service No.100)  
8th Batt'n, Canadian Light  
Infantry (Manitoba Regt.);  
Killed in action at Ypres  
(now Ieper), West Flanders

His name is on the Ypres  
(Menin Gate) Memorial,  
panel 24-26-28-30;  
This memorial bears the  
names of men who were lost  
without trace during the  
defence of the Ypres Salient  
during the First World War

>>> Justice Francis "Frank" >>>>>

Alfred Blennerhassett, QC  
b.7.7.1916 Aston,  
Birmingham

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Edu. Solihull School;  
of Hampton-in-Arden,  
Solihull, Warwickshire;  
of Lamb Building,  
Temple, London;

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TA 1938; Royal Artillery; Capt. Royal Warwickshire Regt (East Africa, WWII) 1939-46

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Barrister of Middle Temple 1946; Oxford Circuit;  
Dep. Chairman of Staffordshire Quarter Sessions 1963-71 [TIMES 14.9.1963];  
QC 1965 [TIMES 15.4.1965]; Recorder of New Windsor 1965-71,  
Hon. Recorder of N.Windsor from 1972; Recorder of Crown Court from 1971/2;  
Elected Bencher of Middle Temple 1971; Circuit Judge (Midland & Oxford Circuit)  
1978-89 [TIMES 21.9.1978]; Member of the Parole Board;

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Member of the Home Office Committee on Magistrates' Courts Procedure;  
author of "Progress and the Individual: The Valedictory Process" Birmingham 1951  
(Birmingham & Edgbaston Debating Society paper);  
Legal adviser to Gen. Medical Council & Gen. Dental Council 1972;

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Chairman of a British Government committee set up in 1975-6 to review the working of the law  
on drinking and driving, known as "The Blennerhassett Committee of Inquiry into Drinking  
& Driving" (a.k.a. "Blennerhassett Review", "Blennerhassett Group"), which in  
The Blennerhassett Report proposed introduction of roadside breathalyzer tests in UK;  
Featured in a newspaper cartoon ["Sunday Telegraph" 2.5.1976] - see right -->  
[Who's Who 1974-5, 1982-3, 1983-4, 1985-6, 1988, 1990, 1992];

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Played golf with the Bar Golf Society; Capt. of Heath Golf Club; Mem. of Birmingham Clubs

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d.13.6.1993; from his obit. in ["Daily Telegraph", 18.6.1993, p.23] said:  
"Frank Blennerhassett presided over his courts with dry authority, only rarely giving  
rein to the wit that made him such a catch as an after-dinner speaker"

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m.1947/8 Betty Muriel Bray  
of Brixham, Devon

>>> Rev. Eric William >>>>>>>>>>>>>

Blennerhassett  
b.1921

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Served in the TA in 1938  
with his brother Frank;  
and during WWII 1939-46  
as Capt. Royal Artillery;  
Liasion Officer, Canadian  
Night Fighter Squadron  
1943-45 (Saskatchewan 1943)

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Methodist Minister (from 1947)  
at Radlett, Sutton Park,  
Winchester & Portsmouth;  
BBC Radio & TV Religious  
Broadcasting 1956-76;  
St.Paul's Bedford Street,  
Covent Garden, London 1972-1976  
Oxhey, Watford, Herts 1968;  
Chichester, W.Sussex 1993-2007

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m.c1940  
Edith Amy "Babs" Coulson



Justice Frank Blennerhassett  
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