



Notice Board

➤ Merry Christmas

Hope you all have an enjoyable Christmas and happy New Year, look forward to seeing you all in the New Year!

➤ Essex Churches

Maybe you are researching in the Essex area and you want to know more about the church or maybe look up a church in Essex. I came across this website which gives a photo of all the old churches in Essex and schools.

www.essexchurches.com

➤ The Ships List

This website has been online since August 1999, will help you find your ancestors on ships' passenger lists. Also have immigration reports, newspaper records, shipwreck information, ship pictures, ship descriptions, shipping-line fleet lists and more; as well as hundreds of passenger lists to Canada, USA, Australia and even some for South Africa.

www.theshipslist.com

➤ Military Badges

S.R.S. have been supplying military badges for in excess of 20 years. We supply British Army cap badges, shako badges, glengarry badges, helmet plates, belt plates and military medals as well as other items of military interest.

www.arbeia.demon.co.uk

➤ Old Coins

This website gives you an idea of all the old coins and photos of what they looked like. Very detailed information on many old coins.

<http://gwydir.demon.co.uk/jo/units/money.htm>

Shoreditch



Shoreditch as we all know today is part of London and comes under the borough of Hackney.

The origin of the name is not certain, however it has a Saxon name and may come from the "Sewerditch", a stream, which ran east of St Leonard's to near Holywell Lane.

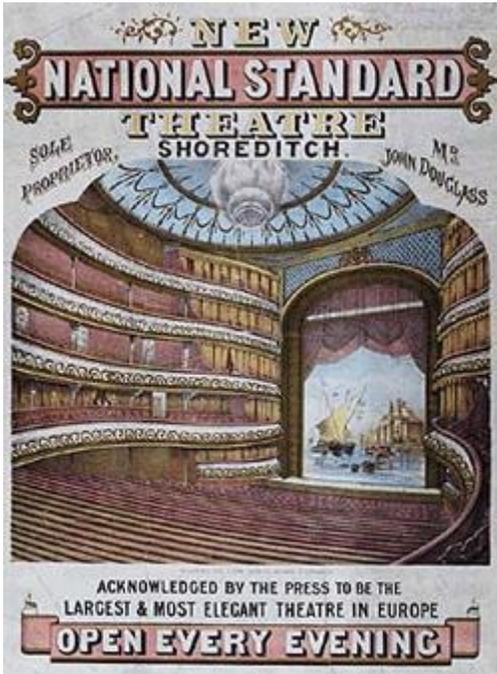
Through time Shoreditch has changed with it's large growing population, however St Leonard's (Shoreditch church) stills stands and is one of its most famous historic, ancient origins, which is also quoted in the nursery rhyme oranges and lemons '*when I grow rich say the bells of Shoreditch*'. Another main attraction was that the first two London theatres were built in Shoreditch this included the theatre of 1575 which was known as "The Theatre". Located at Curtain Road at the junction with New Inn Yard. The second theatre was known as 'Curtain Theatre' which was where the famous William Shakespeare performed some of his first plays. It is also thought that Shakespeare may have lived in Bishops gate and possibly Holywell around that particular time.

The theatre and entertainment side of Shorditch was to stay and grow through to the Victorians where it became popular for the National Standard theatre (1837-1940) and The Shoreditch Empire aka The London Music Hall (1836 - 1935).

Sadley today things are a lot different because of the West End and other major theatres that are centred around other parts of the capital and across the UK that the main theatres and entertainment buildings were demolished or no longer used as a theatre.

Through the Victorian period Shoreditch's population grew faster than any other London parish in the first half of the nineteenth century. In 1801 Shoreditch had a population of 35,000 people and this figure rose to 135,000 by 1851. Shoreditch became a very overcrowded place which caused poverty, crime and prostitution. It became a hard place to survive in, with the overcrowded houses and streets, poverty and diseases spread rapidly. Shoreditch workhouse first opened in 1777 and this was where many people ended up if they couldn't afford to look after themselves.

Today Shoreditch is mainly flats and houses, it has become very built up over time. Known for many pubs and clubs and art galleries, however it still has its fair share of poverty and urban decay.



Name The TV Stars



Name The Actress

- ↳ Born Dec 1934 in Essex
- ↳ Mother of actors Chris Larkin Toby Stephens
- ↳ Won 2 Oscars



Name The Actor

- ↳ Born July 1936, Scotland
- ↳ Supports the Labour Party
- ↳ Worked as a research scientist before an actor



Name The Actress

- ↳ Born February 1929, Cheshire
- ↳ Named as the Top Television Comedy Actress for 1991
- ↳ Never Married



Name The Actress

- ↳ Born October 1957, Wales
- ↳ Has a adopted daughter named Billie
- ↳ Originally studied to be a drama teacher



Name The Actor

- ↳ Born June 1959, Oxford
- ↳ He is an accomplished piano player
- ↳ Once dated Emma Thompson

Contribute to the Newsletter

Tell us how your getting on with your research so far and have you discovered any hidden skeletons you want share with us. Have you come across some unexpected Ancestors, lost relatives, a famous Ancestor? Or do you have any old photos and stories you would like to share in the newsletter, it's all history and we'd be happy to hear it.

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