AA A20 Elsie Bowerman 1889 - 1973 A Titanic survivor with her mother, both suffragists. The first woman barrister to appear at the Old Bailey. Founder member of the Old Hastings Preservation Society, she threw herself into saving the Georgian Stables in High Street for a theatre.

AA A23 John James Butler and family. Founder of the Emporium in George Street. Wallace Butler DCM. 8th Buffs regiment. Killed in action and buried in France, one of many remembered on their family memorials.

AB E23/24 William John Gant came to town as surveyor to the St Leonards Commissioners; he designed the Fishermen's Church of St Nicholas and as Borough Surveyor did plans of Hastings in 1852. There was a long legal case to get his money. The Gant family lived at Alexandra Villa, Ellenslea Road.



AB K25 Edward Tyhurst 1778-1860 A hatter and tailor from Bourne Street. A wonderful example of Masonic symbolism.

AE E25 Henry Carpenter laid out the Borough Cemetery and designed the lodges, chapel and walls. Surveyor for the Frewen family of Coghurst Hall, he designed Christ Church Blacklands and the surrounding houses. He died at 133 Marina.



AG C15 Arthur Wells MRIBA 1847 - 1927 The architect of the former Palace Hotel now a listed building. Rupert Brooke stayed there in 1906. This memorial has most unusual lettering.



AH B23 Sir John Kincaid 1787-1862 Fought in the Peninsular War and at Waterloo with the Rifle Brigade; author, and the likely model for Bernard Cornwell's character Richard Sharpe.

AH LO2 George Elphinstone Dalrymple 1826-76 Explorer, settler of N. Queensland, where many places are named after him. Read his story & many others at www.friendsofhastingscemetery.org.uk

AI E26 Tilden Tolhurst sentenced to ten years transportation for stealing a sheep in 1839, he spent the time on a prison hulk Leviathan, at Portsea Town. He also ran a beer shop the 'Prince of Wales' in Waterloo Passage.

AJ K22 Mortimer Achill Graf von Schlippenbach was wounded in the Prussian wars 1870-71. He lived in West Hill Road. A most unusual memorial with a life extinguished represented by a downward pointing torch.

AK A24 Rev Charles Lutwidge & family An uncle, aunt & cousin of Lewis Carroll are buried here. Carroll frequently stayed in Hastings with his aunts.

AK K12 William Gardner 1845-1887 From Toledo, Ohio. He invented the Gardner Gun, an early form of machine gun used in the Sudan War.

AM D15 John Robert Deane Cooper 1834 - 1894

Captain in the Royal Navy he served in the Crimea. This memorial is by Burchell's. Robert Burchell started the business in 1835. The business continued until 1902, with works on the Ridge by the cemetery as well as other premises over time.



AQ L24/25 F J Parsons 1844-1900 Newspaper publisher and director of many Hastings companies.

AT A01 Corby Family - a wonderful angel by Gaffin of Regent Street.

AT I29 James Dixon 1851-1890 Lost with 'HMS Serpent' off Spain. After this tragedy the Navy issued all ships' crews with life jackets. The Navy still tend the graves there. James' mother never recovered from the loss of her son.



AW G14 Robert Tubbs Nightingale Tubbs and Fanny Cecilia Tubbs. Robert was in the Bombay Army. He built Capel-ne-Ferne in Albany Road. Mrs Tubbs was a leader in the local women's suffrage movement and many other local causes. This is a most unusual memorial, one of the finest in the cemetery.



AW G20 Frederic Chamier 1796-1870 Author & Capt. RN. He sailed with Byron and watched him swim the Hellespont." I had risen in a profession I dearly loved. I had escaped unwounded, although closely engaged thirty times...I had dined with the Grand Vizier, and waltzed with the celebrated Paez – eaten kabobs in Constantinople, and feasted in the palace of Montezuma." he said in his biography 'The Life of a Sailor'.

AW G26 Vigant Carl Monterou Falbe 1827-1871 His memorial says of the Danish Navy but his Sydney Morning Herald obituary says "late of the

British [sic] Royal Navy" The family came to St Leonards in 1870; Emmeline his wife, was familiar with the area through her first husband's family the Leslies. In 1874 she is living at 6 The Lawn. Another Australian connection.

AW G28 John Dowdeswell Shakespear 1806-67 Lt. Col. in the Bengal Artillery, descended from William, related to Thackeray who used him as a model for Col. Newcome. Many memorials tell of an Indian connection.

AW G31 Lt. Col. The Hon Gilbert Elliott 1826-65 "He lost his health in arduous service in South Africa and the Crimea." Served in the Rifle Brigade. One of several memorials that have military trophies carved on them.

BE L02 George Devey 1820 - 1886 He took drawing classes under John Sell Cotman. An introduction to Lord de L'Isle started his career as a country house architect, he worked for the Rothschilds at Mentmore. He designed Fairlight Church. By 1881 he was living at 12 Pelham Crescent where he died.

BF A22 John Harper Narbeth, 1863-1944 Naval Architect Designer of the Dreadnought class battle ship among others. Buried at Cheltenham commemorated on his wife's memorial here. They lived at 65 Sedlescombe Road South.



CC B1-5 Corry Family Edward and his wife Sarah came from Ireland. He was a 'Russia' merchant dealing in iron and copper. Their daughter Mayflower died at the Convent of Our Lady of the Missions in Old London Road Hastings in 1863. Sons - Alfred James was an engineer & Edward junior a barrister. Edward sen. died at 67 Marina, his daughter Sarah died at Fairfield, Boscobel Road. The Alfred Corry Museum, Southwold houses the lifeboat that Alfred endowed.

DB W34-5 Anna M. Whistler 1804-81 Born in Wilmington, North Carolina, married Major George Washington Whistler. In 1842 Tsar Nicholas I appointed him chief engineer for the St Petersburg to Moscow railway, the family moved to Russia where George died. Son James entered West Point while William studied medicine. James, dismissed from West Point in 1854,

became an artist. 1862 Anna came to England as housekeeper and agent for him. William followed and sett up practice in London. Anna retired to St Mary's Terrace, Hastings. William and his wife Helen Ionides are also buried in Hastings cemetery.

DE T39 William Montague Glenister 1828-1894

Chief Constable of Hastings for 37 years, with Tutt he founded the Volunteer Fire Brigade. He invented a first aid tricycle for firemen to use in rescues. A much respected man, his memorial, with Masonic symbolism, was paid for by fellow townsfolk.



DF A52 Charles Sheldon Pearce Woodruffe 1839-1906 Capt RN. Served in the Crimea and against pirates in the South China Sea. He was decorated for his work as a coastguard at Kessingland. He lived at Old Roar House and commanded the local coastguards.

EB G16 & 17 Fishermen's Plot 1886 Purchased by the Fishermen's Widows and Orphans Fund following the loss of life when the RX 3 "James and Elizabeth" went down in a storm off Dungeness in 1886. Several other fishermen who died tragically are also remembered here.

ED S17 John Howell 1822-93 A self made man, he built six local churches and many other great Victorian buildings in the town. His son John Howell **ED H25** built the old Hastings Grammar School.

EF K23 Ernest Philcox 1836-1897 Owned and ran a great Victorian pleasure yacht, the "New Albertine" from the Queens Hotel Stade. You can see the boat carved on his headstone.

EG D01 William Laird Clowes Accompanied the fleet on manoeuvres and became a naval correspondent. He wrote 'men's adventures' and studied racial problems in the southern United States; awarded the United States Naval Institute gold medal. He died at home, Eversleigh Gardens, St Leonards.

EH E18 George Monger VC 1840-87 Sent to India as a drummer boy with the Royal Welch Fusiliers, won his Victoria Cross at the siege of Lucknow. Suffered poverty, ill health and family tragedy on his return.

EM M01 Charles Gregory Gardiner 1849-1903 Commander RN he had a short naval career, Mate & Sub Lieutenant 19thAugust 1868 on HMS Forte, a full Lieutenant in December 1878. One of a set of family memorials, including Gerald Gardiner, Lord Chancellor 1964-70.

EM 020 Thomas George Roecastle Finny 1852-1910 A Cadet in HMC Conway, Liverpool he joined the Peninsular & Oriental Steamship Co in 1877. In 1878 he joined the Royal Indian Marine; serving in the

Suakim Campaign in Sudan, he was awarded the Egyptian Medal & the Khedive Bronze Star. In Bombay from 1896-99 and in Madras from 1899-1903. He retired to 23 Albany Road.



FB N01 & 02 Ionides Alexander Constantine & Euterpe both born in Istanbul. He was Greek consul and a patron of the Arts, painted here with their family by G F Watts [courtesy of the Watts Gallery] They lived at Windycroft, High Wickham. Their daughter Chariclea married Edward Dannreuther, a pianist.

GA E02 Alphonse Gouffe, 1813-1907 Pastry chef to Queen Victoria, found in the censuses at Windsor and Osborne. His father was a chef and also his two brothers, one to the French Jockey Club. He translated his brother's Livre de Cusine and published it in England as the Royal Cookery Book in 1883. His son and daughter, who settled in Hastings, are also buried here.

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