

## **Rebecca Pepper**

Born 15.06.1859 Bicker Lincolnshire

Rebecca Pepper 21 married Thomas Bird 22 our great grandfather on 19<sup>th</sup> April 1881 in the parish church of Sleaford. She was the daughter of William Pepper a Shepherd and Jane Pepper née Green, the youngest of eight children. Witnesses at the wedding were John Thomas Moore and Susannah Studder.



*Sleaford Parish Church*

### **1841 Census**

**Living Fen End Donington**

**William Pepper 30 Ag Lab**

**Jane Pepper 25**

**Emma Pepper 4**

**John Pepper 2**

### **1851 Census – Drain side Bicker**

**William Pepper 42 Shepherd**

**Jane Pepper 35**

**Emma Pepper 14 (married 1857 Sleaford)**

**John G Pepper 12**

**William Pepper 9**

**Susan Pepper 4**

**Sarah Pepper 2**

According to the records Rebecca's father was already deceased by the 1861 Census when she was a year old.

### **1861 Census - Drain Side Bicker**

**Jane Pepper 46 Shepherds Widow**

**Susan 14 (married 1866 Sleaford)**

**Sarah Jane 12**

**Amos 10 (married 1872 Boston)**

**Henry 8 (married 1876 Boston)**

**Edwin 6**

**Rebecca 1**



By 1871 Rebecca had moved to New Sleaford and was described as a 'sister in law' and Scholar. She was living with John Thomas Moore a Pork Butcher who ten years later was a witness at her wedding . **Emma Moore was Rebecca's sister**

#### **1871 Census**

South Street Sleaford

|                          |                 |                           |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| <b>John Thomas Moore</b> | <b>39</b>       | <b>Butcher</b>            |
| <b>Emma</b>              | <b>34</b>       |                           |
| <b>William</b>           | <b>12</b>       |                           |
| <b>John</b>              | <b>8</b>        |                           |
| <b>Emma</b>              | <b>6 months</b> |                           |
| <b>Rebecca Pepper</b>    | <b>11</b>       |                           |
| <b>James Homes</b>       | <b>21</b>       | <b>Boarder Blacksmith</b> |

#### **1871 Census**

Henry Pepper 14 was staying with Susannah and Robert Studder (Carter) in Folkingham he was an unemployed groom with daughter Susannah Studder aged 15. A Susannah Studder was a witness at Rebecca's wedding ( not sure of connection)

#### **1871 Census**

Living in Wrangle

**John Pepper 62 Shepherd ( Rebecca's uncle)**

**Susan Pepper 56**

John and Susan (Susanna) had six children all born Gosberton

#### **1881 Census**

**Amos Pepper – Shepherd, living rear of Linwood Hall Blankney – 10 children**

**On Census** Rebecca was working as a servant for a Solicitor in 4 East Road New Sleaford

She married **Thomas Bird** in April 1881

**By 1891 the family had moved down to London (Battersea) with mother in law Mary Ann.**

**1901 Family living in Esher Street Westminster – Henry Pepper resident.**