

Husband: **Robert Brook ASPLAND** #3639

Born: 19 Jan 1805 in Newport, Isle of Wight ¹
 Died: 21 Jun 1869 in Hackney, London ²
 Occupation: Dissenting Minister
 Father: Robert ASPLAND #3228 (Unitarian Minister)
 Mother: Sara MIDDLETON #3229

BIOGRAPHY:

ASPLAND, ROBERT BROOK (1805-1869), unitarian divine, son of ROBERT ASPLAND, was born at Newport, Isle of Wight, 19 Jan 1805. He was placed first with Mr.Potticary of Blackheath (where Disraeli was his schoolfellow), next with Mr.Evans of Tavistock, then at Glasgow University where he graduated as M.A. in 1822, and lastly at Manchester College, York, finishing his studies in 1826.

Crook's Lane, Chester was his first chapel whither he went in August 1826. He left

in 1833 to be co-pastor with Dr.Lant Carpenter at Lewin's Mead chapel, Bristol, where on 21 October that year, he married JANE HIBBERT, and established a boarding school. In 1836 he moved to Dukinfield; in 1858 to Hackney. He took up the editorship of the "Christian Reformer" on his father's death, 1845 (keeping it till the publication ceased in 1863). In 1846 he was made one of the secretaries of Manchester College (holding the post till 1857). In 1850 he collected from the "Christian Reformer" memoirs of his father's life. Some smaller publications also came from his pen. A "Brief Memoir of the Rev.Paul Cardale", extracted from the "Christian Reformer", 1852; some Sermons and the "Unitarian Confession", 1858; and Mr.Richard Frankland and Dr.Henry Sampson's reprinted in pamphlet form, 1862.

Brook Aspland became secretary to the British and Foreign Unitarian Association in 1859; he was helped by a colleague in 1867, and having fallen into a precarious state of health, he died suddenly 21 June 1869, aged 65.

[The above is an extract from "In Memorium, Notices of the Life of the Late Rev.R.B.Aspland,M.A." (Dr.Williams' Library), the Inquirer, 3 July 1869]

NOTES:

Author of the book entitled

"MEMOIR OF THE LIFE, WORKS AND CORRESPONDENCE OF THE REV. ROBERT ASPLAND OF HACKNEY" published by Edward Whitfield, 2 Essex Street, Strand, London in 1850.

EXTRACT FROM BOOK ("A History of Hyde & its Neighbourhood"):

The Rev. Robert Brook Aspland, M.A., son of the last-named Robert, was born in Newport, Isle of Wight, January 19th, 1805, and took his degree at Glasgow University in 1822. His first ministry began at Crook's Lane, Chester, in 1826. In 1833 he went to Bristol, and in 1837 to Dukinfield Old Chapel. Later he removed to Hackney to the church where his father had ministered for forty years. For nineteen years he edited the Christian Reformer, succeeding to the editorship on the death of his father in 1845. He died June 21st, 1869. The Rev. Robert Brook Aspland married, on October 21st, 1833, Jane, daughter of Randal Hibbert Esq., of Brookside, Godley, by whom he had issue, Arthur Palmer Aspland, and, Lindsey Middleton Aspland, who became a famous Queen's Counsel.

WILL:

1869 - Rev.Robert Brook ASPLAND, late of Fampton Villas, Well Street, Hackney, dissenting minister. Died 21-6-1869 at Fampton Villas. Proved by Arthur Palmer ASPLAND of Werneth and by Lindsay Middleton ASPLAND, the sons.

OBITUARY (from THE TIMES):

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On 21st June, suddenly, at his residence, Well St, Hackney, in the 65th year of his age, The Rev., Robert Brook Aspland, MA, eldest son of the

late Rev. Robert Aspland, of Hackney.

Wife: **Jane HIBBERT** #3638
Married: 21 Oct 1833 in Bristol ¹

Died: 28 Jun 1872 in Upper Clapton, London ²

Father:

Mother:

WILL:

Jane ASPLAND, late of Heyton Lodge, Upper Clapton. Died 28-6-1872.
Proved to Arthur Palmer ASPLAND of Werneth Lodge, Gee Cross, Chester,
cotton spinner, and Lindsay Middleton ASPLAND, the sons.

M Child 1: **Arthur Palmer ASPLAND** #3640
Born: 1837 in Dukinfield, Cheshire ³
Died: 28 Mar 1900 in Hyde, Cheshire ²

M Child 2: **Lindsey Middleton ASPLAND** #3641
Born: 1842 ⁴
Died: 6 May 1891 in Bayswater, London ⁵

¹ Biography.

² ASPLAND Will Index.

³ A History of Hyde & its Neighbourhood (Book)

⁴ Aspland Tree prepared by Phyliss Drake in 1985.

⁵ Obituary in THE TIMES.