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LORING

LORING - The Revd. Henry Nele Loring first appears in 1835, when he became curate at Alvediston. Another enthusiastic young curate and, like the gentlemanly Mr SAMLER, Henry Loring made a very good impression on Charlotte. Educated at Exeter College, Oxford, Henry unfortunately contracted smallpox during 1836, although in her diary entry of 26th October Charlotte writes "*D^r Grove came to see M^r Loring. He is in hopes his Patient will have the Small Pox favorably*". Although Henry's face was indeed marked, the disease proved not to be life-threatening; he died in 1898, aged 86.

Born in Fareham, Hampshire in 1811, Henry came from a naval family. His father, Admiral Sir John Wentworth Loring RN, was born in America, the son of Joshua Loring, High Sheriff of Massachusetts prior to the American War of Independence. His grandfather was also Joshua Loring, he who commanded the Great Lakes flotilla during the Seven Years War. Henry's mother, Anna, was the daughter of Vice Admiral PATTON RN. Henry's brother, William, also joined the navy, reaching the rank of Admiral.

There are diary references to Henry's father (then Captain, RN), his brother William and at least two of his four, possibly five sisters, which include Elizabeth Jane, Anna, Mary Henrietta, Caroline and Georgiana Eustacia. There was also another brother, Frederick George.

Henry married twice, first in 1863 to Jean SULLIVAN, the daughter of Admiral Charles SULLIVAN. Jean died in 1865. Henry married for the second time in 1875, at Bath, to Emily TAYLOR. It is not thought Henry had any children.

