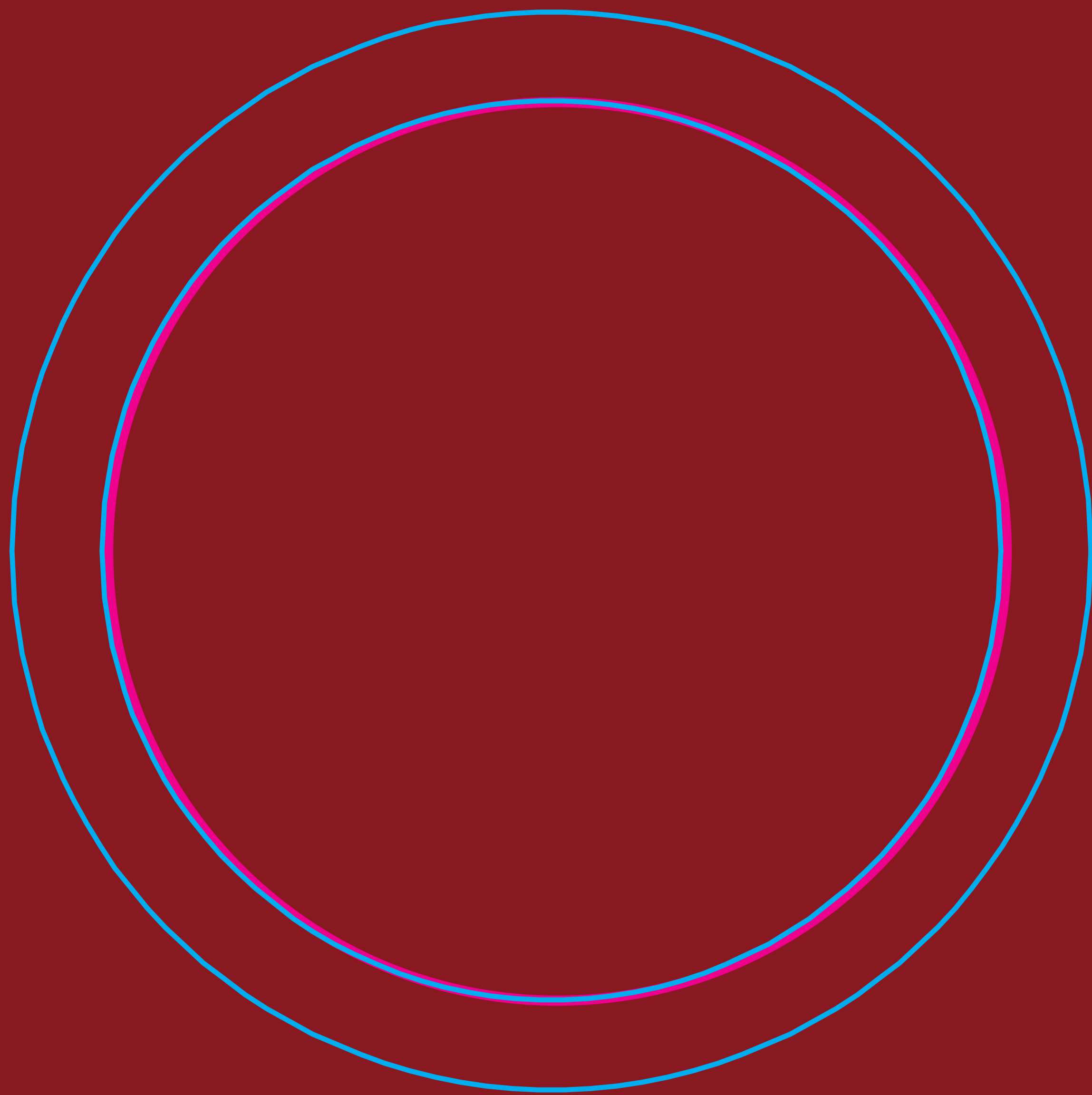


1818 – 1957

The CARPENTER Family



This stained glass panel features the Carpenter family icon, a globe.

It is unknown when and why this panel was created. It may have been designed for the library during a renovation in the 1890s. It was found in storage alongside more panels representing the other families of Kiplin.

The Carpenter family enter Kiplin's story in 1817, when Sarah Crowe of Kiplin married John Delaval Carpenter, 4th Earl of Tyrconnel. Sarah inherited Kiplin in 1818 and the couple lived here for the rest of their lives.

Kiplin was passed down to a cousin of the Earl upon Sarah's death in 1868. A successful naval Captain, Walter Talbot changed his name to Carpenter as a condition of his inheritance. The Hall was rented out until he came to live at Kiplin with his wife and daughter from 1887 to 1904.

The Hall as it looks today is mainly the Carpenter's influence. It was during this family's ownership that the gothic drawing room wing was added and later adapted to a library, formal gardens developed, and the Entrance Hall remodelled. This was the heyday of the country house and Kiplin was a hive of activity, hosting many house parties with family and friends.

Character close-up: John Delaval Carpenter, Earl of Tyrconnel

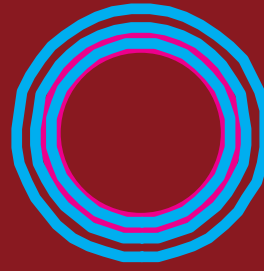
Lord Tyrconnel lived at Kiplin with his wife, Sarah, from 1818 until his death in 1853.

John Delaval Carpenter unexpectedly became the 4th Earl of Tyrconnel in 1812 after both his uncle and older brother died without heirs. The Earldom came with no property and almost no money. Sarah's impending inheritance of Kiplin may have been a motivation for their marriage in 1817. Lord Tyrconnel took on most of the responsibility for running the estate, with assistance from his land steward.

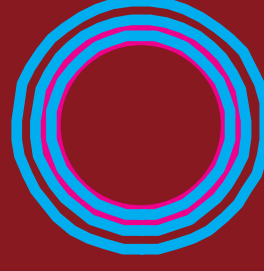
Lord Tyrconnel kept detailed diaries throughout his life, several of which have survived. These offer a glimpse into what he was doing and thinking about 200 years ago.



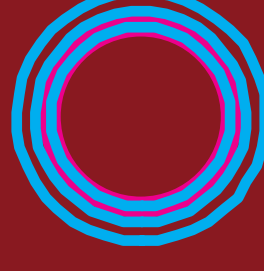
Audio Listening Area



16-year-old Sarah Carpenter reads from her diary, 1 minute.



Beatrice Carpenter teaches you how to create wood inlay, 2 minutes.



Head gardener, David Davies, talks about Lady Tyrconnel's Garden, 2 minutes.



Walter Carpenter served in the Royal Navy from 1847 to 1896. He can be seen here (centre) with his crew on HMS Fawn in 1865.



This photograph from the 1890s or 1900s shows the Hall from the southwest. The Carpenters added the gothic-style drawing room (later the library) on the right in 1818.