

1625

SECRET CATHOLIC!

Shock is echoing around court as **GEORGE CALVERT** publicly declares himself a **CATHOLIC**. Several months ago, **CALVERT** resigned from his position as Secretary of State under claims of **poor health** and intentions for **colonial adventures**.

CALVERT comes from a Catholic family but has presented as Protestant throughout his career. So why reclaim his Catholic roots now? Sources suggest that **CALVERT** was about to lose his Privy Council position anyway. Did he jump before he was pushed out?

CALVERT now intends to travel to his colony in **Avalon, Newfoundland**. Is this connected to his declaration?

1629

CALVERT RETURNS FROM COLONIAL DREAM IN DISGRACE

Embarrassed and ashamed, GEORGE CALVERT is back in England. CALVERT has given up after only two years at his colony in Avalon, Newfoundland.

He said 'goodbye Britain' in 1627 and set sail with his entire family to try life in Avalon. It was not for him. Reportedly it was too cold and too rocky. CALVERT had invested a fortune into the venture, but clearly money could not buy him success.

Reports suggest that CALVERT now has his sights set on land further south. Might this 'Maryland' bring success at last?

CALVERT STRAPPED FOR CASH

The jig is up for the
5TH BARON BALTIMORE,
CHARLES CALVERT,

who is scrambling to make ends meet.

The sale of his **Kiplin** property gives
him a much needed cash injection.

He did not have to look far for a buyer, with
CALVERT'S STEPFATHER purchasing the
hall and surrounding estate for £7000.

Although the **CALVERTS** have owned **Kiplin**
for nearly 100 years, it has never been their
main home. Perhaps its new owner,
Mr CHRISTOPHER CROWE, will inject
some new life into the property.

20th November 1826

A MARRIAGE ON THE ROCKS

Might separation be the on the horizon for the **TYRCONNELS**? A recently discovered letter exposes that the couple “have not for a length of time lived happily together”.

The letter from the **TYRCONNELS**’ lawyer hints that a falling out with close family friends, the **WYNYARDS**, is the root of the problem. The details of the quarrel are unknown, but clearly it was enough to drive a wedge between husband and wife.

There is **no official news** of a separation yet. Time will tell if they make it through together or apart.

1847

A DEVASTATING LOSS

A harrowing tale has emerged from Kiplin that may be distressing for some readers.

On the 18th February 1847 the doctor was called to Kiplin to treat LADY TYRCONNEL's stomach pains. After several days, her stomach pains were revealed to be labour when a baby girl was delivered. The baby tragically did not survive the birth. According to her doctor, LADY TYRCONNEL's own survival and recovery is remarkable.

THE BABY, named LADY ELIZABETH ANN CARPENTER, will be laid to rest in Bolton-on-Swale Church. A plaque will be placed in her memory.

1887

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Wedding Bells are ringing for
WALTER CARPENTER and
BEATRICE DE GREY.

After a beautiful ceremony in Norfolk,
the wedding party travelled up to
ADMIRAL CARPENTER's home at Kiplin
Hall. Here they were welcomed
by cheering crowds of staff and
local tenants.

The couple's families are already close,
with **ADMIRAL CARPENTER's** brother
Alfred and Beatrice's sister Emily
marrying in 1882.

ADMIRAL CARPENTER has a
ten-year-old daughter, Sarah, from his
first marriage. By all accounts, Sarah is
delighted by the match and affectionately
calls her new stepmother 'Mother B'.

1715

CALVERT AND CROWE TIE THE KNOT

CHARLOTTE CALVERT has said
“I do” only months after the death
of her first husband.

CALVERT met her new man, CHRISTOPHER CROWE, in Europe while he was the British Consul in Livorno, Italy. CHARLOTTE arrived in Europe in 1705 after a very public and scandalous separation from her first husband, BENEDICT CALVERT. After BENEDICT's death in April 1715, CHARLOTTE wasted no time walking back down the aisle.

After their wedding ceremony in Geneva the newly-weds plan to return to ENGLAND. They are expected to live at Crowe's property, Woodford Hall in Essex.

NEW LEASE OF LIFE FOR KIPLIN?

After years of sitting empty, Kiplin Hall has a new owner. **CHRISTOPHER CROWE** has purchased Kiplin from his stepson, **CHARLES CALVERT**, the 5th Baron Baltimore. Rumours suggest that the twenty-one-year-old **CALVERT** has been in financial difficulties, prompting the sale of Kiplin for £7000.

CROWE comes to Kiplin with a large collection of art and furniture, curated during his time in Italy. The old hall certainly needs some updating to suit its owner and the young family he brings with him.

CHRISTOPHER CROWE's wife **CHARLOTTE** died a year before his purchase of Kiplin, leaving behind four young children.

1802

COLONEL CROWE CONTINUES MILITIA LEGACY

ROBERT CROWE of Kiplin continues the family tradition of serving in the local militia. He joined as a Captain in 1778 to lead the fighting force of local men. Since then, he has risen through the ranks to become a Colonel of the Supplementary North Yorkshire Militia.

Those in his regiment speak of COLONEL CROWE's kindness and generosity. On a recent march to Richmond, the officers tell of a most splendid breakfast at Kiplin. The non-commissioned officers ate roast beef in the servants' hall. The men had bread and cheese, and plenty of good ale.

1930

THE END OF AN ERA

Once a dominating estate across North Yorkshire, now only a fraction of the **Kiplin** estate remains.

When **SARAH TURNOR** inherited **Kiplin** from her father **ADMIRAL WALTER CARPENTER** in 1904, the property came with over 5000 acres. Over the last 25 years, she and her trustees have sold off all but 120 acres of the land. The Hall has been rented to tenants since 1907.

Without a large estate to provide income, the fate of the hall is in question. Now over 300 years old, the hall needs major work to remain standing much longer.

Autumn 1942

KIPLIN HALL JOINS IN THE WAR EFFORT

All must pitch in to help Britain win the war, and Kiplin Hall is no exception.

Initially used as a rehabilitation home for soldiers returning from **Dunkirk**, the Hall is now in the hands of the Royal Air Force as No. 224 Maintenance Unit. The Hall will supply **ammunition and bombs** to local airfields.

The upper floors are to be turned into flats for officers, with lower ranks staying in outbuildings and huts in the grounds.

Kiplin's owner, **BRIDGET TALBOT**, has reiterated her pleas to those billeted at **Kiplin** to keep the Hall safe and in good condition during their stay.

July 1953

FAREWELL KIPLIN?

Get ready to say goodbye to Kiplin Hall. With no money and nowhere left to turn, Kiplin is set to be demolished.

Kiplin's owner **BRIDGET TALBOT** has written a **final goodbye** to her beloved **Kiplin** in the form of a masque.

The play will feature local people playing figures from **Kiplin's** past, including its builder, **GEORGE CALVERT**.

Is there any hope of saving Kiplin Hall, or is this the **last chance** to see it still standing?

1990s

NEW LAKE, NEW ROOF

How do you fix the roof of a Jacobean house? You dig a **giant hole in the ground**, of course.

A gravel quarry has been dug just metres from Kiplin Hall's back door. The money made from the quarrying of the gravel and the lease of land for a gravel processing plant will **provide vital funds**. This money will help **fix the roof** and other essential work.

The quarry might not look pretty now, but there are **plans to turn it into a beautiful lake for future visitors to enjoy**.

1968

MISS TALBOT FUNDS TRUST

MISS BRIDGET TALBOT has formed a new Charitable organisation with the purpose of continuing her work to save **Kiplin Hall**.

MISS TALBOT, aged 83, has owned **Kiplin Hall and Gardens** for over 30 years. **THE KIPLIN HALL CHARITABLE TRUST** will continue her hard work to raise funds for its preservation. **THE TRUST** is due to inherit the Hall and its contents upon **MISS TALBOT's** death.

Significant works will be needed to save and restore **Kiplin** to its former glory.

2001

KIPLIN HALL IS OPEN ONCE MORE!

From May 2001 visitors can explore Kiplin Hall and Gardens once more, and it is looking better than ever.

Since 1971, Kiplin has been in the care of the **KIPLIN HALL CHARITABLE TRUST**. They have been busy repairing and restoring Kiplin ever since. The roof has been replaced, a central heating system installed, and thousands of objects cleaned. Several rooms and their contents are now ready for the public to admire once more.

The work is not over yet. There are many more rooms and gardens that need specialist attention.