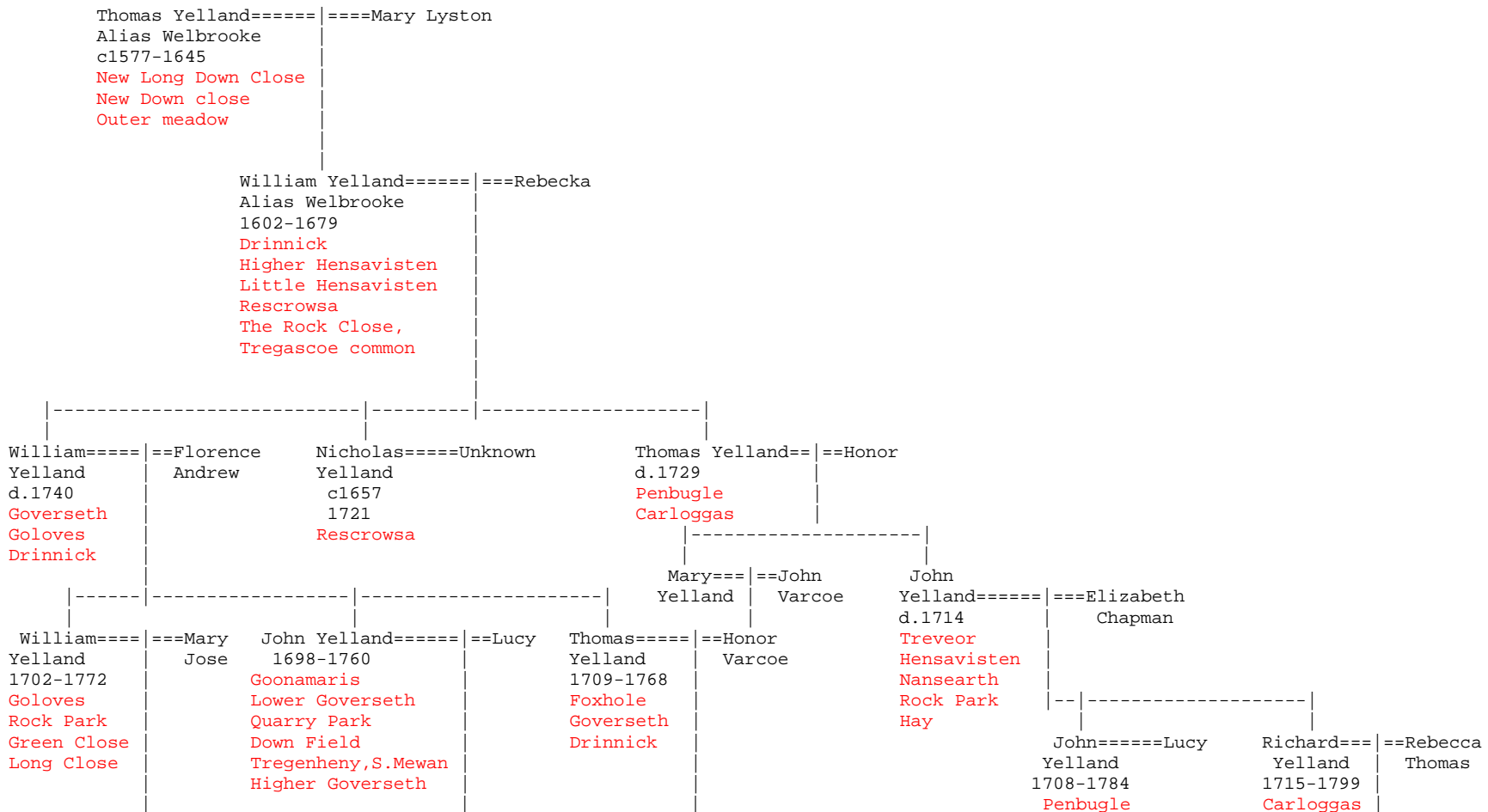


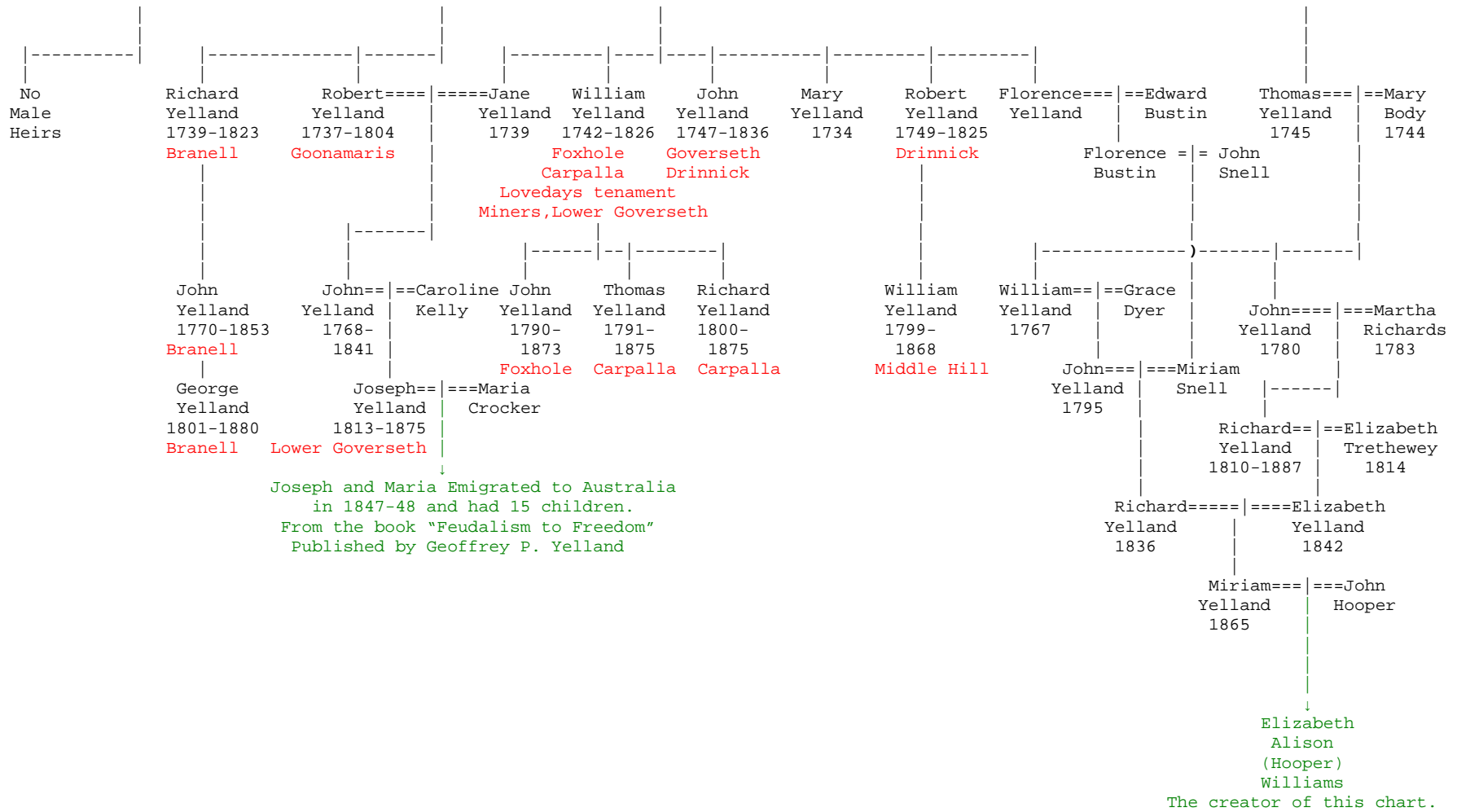
The Tenancies of Various Yelland Farms in St Stephens in Brannel Parish, Cornwall

Thomas Yelland was born about 1577 in South Brent, Devon, the son of John Yelland 1540-1585 and Margaret Cholwell. The family used the alias Welbrooke, possibly to avoid religious persecution. Thomas married Mary Lyston on the 6 Aug 1599 in South Brent. About 1605, after the birth of his first three children, he moved to St. Stephen in Brannel, Cornwall. His descendants remained in the parish for the next 200 years, mainly as tenant farmers of the Boconnoc Estate, the principal landowner of the parish.

From the early 1800's onwards, with the growth of the china clay industry, many of the family moved into this new industry as labourers, clay agents and captains. Also from around this time, many Yellands moved to adjacent parishes and beyond, and some emigrated to North America and Australia.

The tree below charts the tenancies of the various farms as passed down through the generations to 1841. The information is taken mainly from surviving wills and other parish records. The map below this tree shows the location of these tenancies within the parish.





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This map shows the location of the tenancies from the chart above.

