

George is my 3 cousin twice removed – the son of Joseph Knapper and Ann Stretch

Notes: In 1881 living with family age 7 in Broad Lane Stapely

There is a service record dates 22 Dec 1892 with George Knapper joining the Lincolnshire regiment - he gives his age as 21 years and 2 months - claims on sign up that he was imprisioned for 7 days for drunkeness.

On the 7 dec 1898 he was sentenced to 9 cal. months hard labour for stealing a hen the goods of one Sarah Jane Dodd on the 5th Dec 1898. His trade is listed as Sailor and this ties in with the service record data. At the time George had 6 previous convictions (mainly for stealing).