



## The Online Reference Library and Lancashire Lantern

### Online Reference Library

Lancashire's Online **Reference Library** at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/onrl](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/onrl) is a gateway to useful information sources on the internet and there is much on there which will be useful for the local/family historian. This includes subscription material - Lancashire Library pays the subscription and gives members free access. This subscription material is listed on the right hand side of the screen under premium sources

An example would be the online version of the **Oxford Dictionary of National Biography (DNB)** which corresponds to the 60 volume work that is held in some larger Reference Libraries. Through the Online Reference Library this can now be used in any library or at home logging in with the barcode from a Library membership card. One great advantage to the Local Historian is that using "Advanced Search" place-specific searches can be done and these searches can be further refined....you could search for Catholics who were born in Preston for example.

Online Reference Library

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**Browse Websites Gateway**  
A database of recommended websites for library staff

Arts & Entertainment

Books & Reading

Consumer & Legal

Facts, Figures & Reference

Geography & the Environment

Government & Politics

Health & Welfare

History & Heritage

Housing & Planning

Lancashire Information

Homework Help

Don't forget you can use the library at any time to find help with your Homework at the Learning Place

Search the Websites Gateway

All the words Any word  
Exact phrase

Search Reset

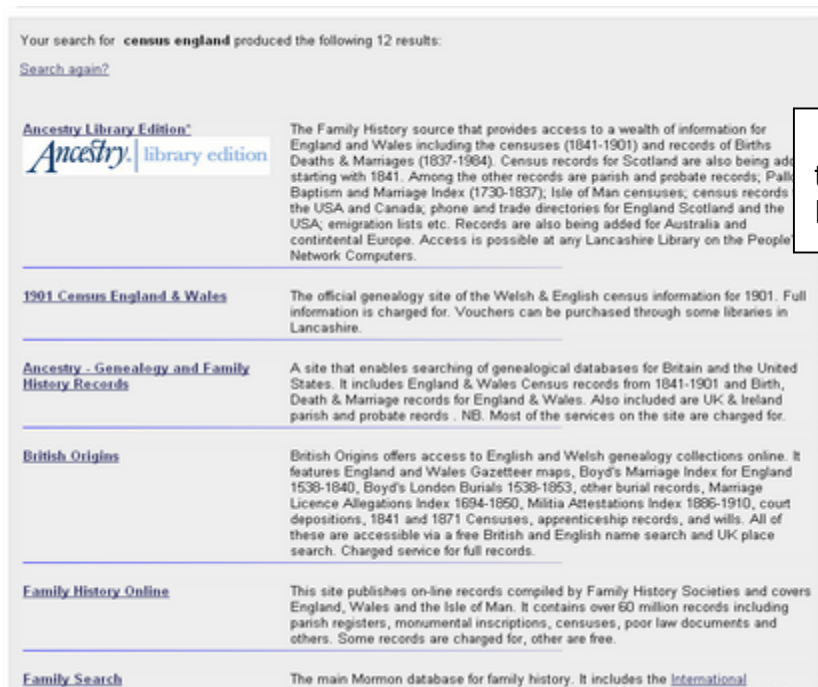
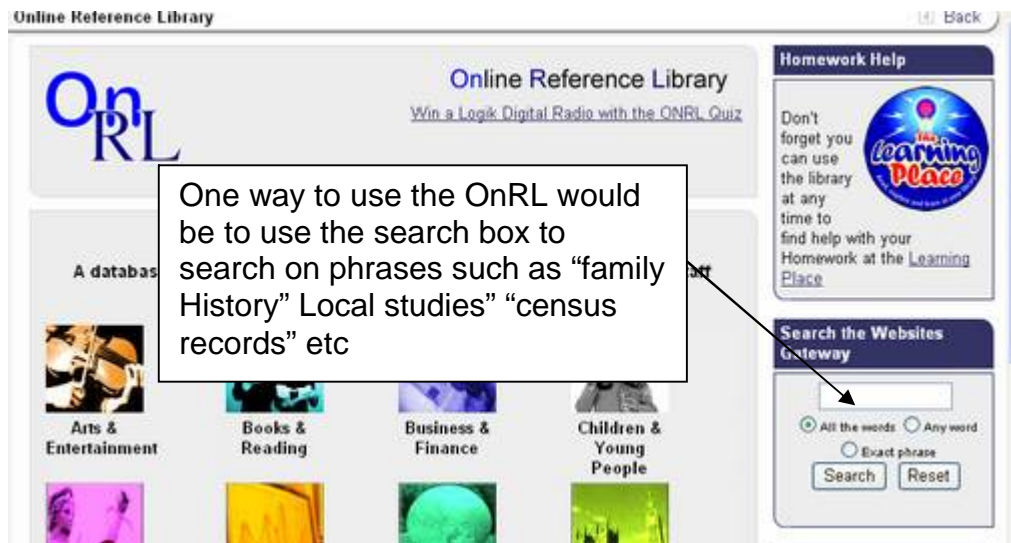
Premium Sources

Ancestry Library Edition\*  
Britannica Online  
Britannica Online - Junior (5-11)  
Britannica Online - Student (12-18)  
British Standards Online  
Community Information  
Community Legal Service  
Dictionary of National Biography  
Grove Art  
Grove Music  
Grove Online

For the DNB, Click the link here and then log-in with you 14 digit library card number

Another useful source is **Ancestry Library Edition** which provides a whole range of Family History sources including the England and Wales censuses from 1841-1901 and Birth, Death & Marriage records. This can only be used in libraries but again, access is free to library members

In addition, the OnRL also acts as a gateway to a whole range of sources and includes links to many family history sources. All of them have been checked and validated by library staff. We aim to check the database regularly to make sure that links are current and details are correct but we'd always be keen to know of any errors or sites that we can add to the OnRL.



## Lancashire Lantern

Lancashire Lantern is an integral part of the OnRL and can be accessed directly at [www.lantern.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lantern.lancashire.gov.uk). Through this we can provide online access to some of our newspaper, transaction indexes etc. Two recent developments are the Image Archive which we are using to give online access to our photograph/illustration collections. At the moment only a small percentage of our collections are on there but obviously we are hoping that this will expand and develop in time.

Another recent edition to Lancashire Lantern is the Poetry Index. This is an online index to authors, first lines and titles of Lancashire poetry in books held within libraries in Lancashire, including the Lancashire Authors' Association collection. The Index also links directly through to the Library Catalogue so when a record is viewed you can see if where book which holds the poem is held and reserve copies.

### Lancashire Image Archive



- Lantern Home Page
- Image Archive Home
- Subjects Search
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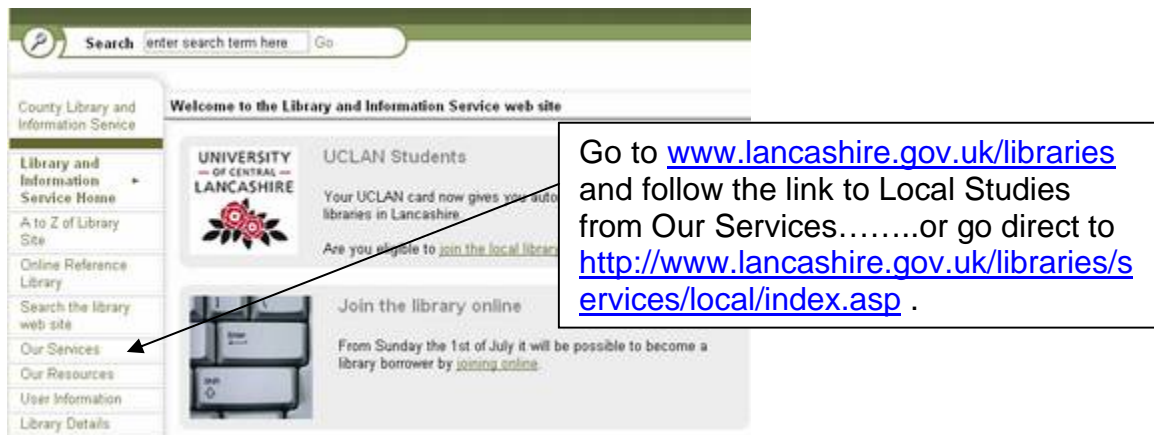
### Lancashire Poetry Index

#### Poem title search results

[Browse again?](#)

ID Number	2978
Title	<b>A balade of maryage</b>
First Line	In yonder wood there is a dene
Poet	ANONYMOUS
Book Title	Ballads and songs of Lancashire, ancient and modern
Author of Book	HARLAND, John and WILKINSON, T T eds
Publication Date	1875
Page Number	30-32
Control Number	M0018155LC ( <a href="#">Check the catalogue</a> )
Notes	2nd edition. Collected by John Harland and revised by T T Wilkinson

Further information on our Local Studies services and collections can also be obtained from the Library Website.



Go to [www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries) and follow the link to Local Studies from Our Services.....or go direct to <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries/services/local/index.asp> .

More information about Lancashire Libraries Local Studies Service can be obtained from.....

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