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When Harry Aynsley was born in December 1857, in Dresden, Staffordshire, England, United Kingdom, his father, John Aynsley, was 34 and his mother, Julia Gerrard, was 31.

Harry Aynsley 1857 - 1931 married Mary Jane Meakin on 6 July 1881, in Forsbrook, Staffordshire, England, United Kingdom. They were the parents of 3 sons

● John Meakin Aynsley (1883–1950) was a member of the Aynsley family, known for their prominent role in the Staffordshire pottery industry.

He was the son of **Harry Aynsley**, a china manufacturer who was born in Longton in 1857 and died in 1933.

John Meakin Aynsley himself worked as a **pottery manufacturer**.

His father, Harry, had several other children, including Douglas Hill Aynsley, Harold James Aynsley, and another son named John Aynsley.

The Aynsley family was a key part of the larger network of pottery manufacturing families in the Staffordshire region, which included the Meakin family through marriage and business connections.

● Harry Aynsley (1888–1916) was a member of the influential Aynsley pottery family of Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. He was the son of **Harry Aynsley** (senior), who co-founded or managed the earthenware manufacturing firm **H. Aynsley & Co.** at the Commerce Street Works.

#### Family and Business Background

**The Aynsley Dynasty:** The family business was established in 1775 by John Aynsley (I). Harry (1888–1916) was part of the later generations that expanded the company's reputation for high-quality bone china and earthenware.

**H. Aynsley & Co.:** His father, Harry Aynsley, and uncle, Herbert James Aynsley, operated independently from the main "John Aynsley & Sons" branch, focusing on earthenware at the **Commerce Street Works** in Longton.

#### Military Service and Death

Harry Aynsley died in **1916** during the First World War. While specific regimental details are often listed in local war memorials in Staffordshire, he is part of the generation of "potter-soldiers" from the Stoke-on-Trent area who served in the British Army during the conflict.

#### George Meakin Aynsley (1894–1968)

Harry Aynsley was the son of **John Aynsley**, the founder of the famous Aynsley China company in Longton, Staffordshire. In the 1901 census, the family lived in Longton, where Harry was recorded as an earthenware manufacturer, following in the family business.

The couple also had a daughter, **Ellen Meakin Aynsley** (1885–1962). One of their sons, Harry, served in the military and was killed during World War I in 1916.

He lived in Trentham, Staffordshire, England, United Kingdom in 1861 and Stone, Staffordshire, England, United Kingdom for about 20 years. He died on 26 March 1931, in Blythe Bridge, Staffordshire, England, United Kingdom, at the age of 73.

Known as a master potter and the owner of his own pottery works, which were located on Commerce Street in Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. His drive was even named after him in the local area.

His pottery works were previously known as Chetam's Pottery. The H. Aynsley & Co. brand is associated with the production of fine Staffordshire china, including various dinnerware and tea sets. The broader Aynsley China company, founded by John Aynsley in 1775, became a