I had been chasing the mother of Margaret Masterton (nee Fisher). There is no doubt of the following -

* Margaret Fisher married David Masterton in 1838 in England **(see certificate)**
* The couple had children
  + Isabella b.1840 **(see certificate)**
  + Julia b.1847 **(see certificate)**
  + Frances b.1850 **(see certificate)**
  + David b. 1853 **(see certificate)**
* The family emigrated to Victoria Australia about 1854 (see Public Records of Victoria)
* Margaret died in Victoria Australia in 1877 **(see certificate)**

Key points from Margaret’s Victorian death certificate -

* Born about 1812 in Workington Cumberland
* Margaret’s father is Isaac Fisher, brewer
* Margaret’s husband is David Masterton
* Margaret’s mother is Mary Fisher formerly Younghusband
* Margaret came to Australia about 1853/54
* Names and ages of her children perfectly match those we have birth certificates for above.

**Unfortunately, no baptism certificate can be found for Margaret Fisher in England, nor is there any sign of a Mary Younghusband associated with an Isaac Fisher.** In fact,

* No Isaac Fisher born in England between 1760-1795 married a given name Mary.
* No Isaac Fisher born in England between 1760-1795 married a surname Younghusband.

So, I looked at Margaret and David’s children’s names. David’s parents are David Masterton and Julia Mitchel.

* Their 2nd daughter Julia matched the name of the paternal grandmother Julia Mitchel
* Their 1st son David matched the name of the paternal grandfather David Masterton
* It appears the standard naming convention is at play, yet their 1st daughter Isabella does not match the death certificate name of the maternal grandmother Mary; accordingly, I went looking for an Isaac Fisher who married an Isabella, and found a really good hit, Isabella Caux, right age, right district.
* I checked Ancestry trees for an Isabella Caux and found her in the Rumpf ancestry tree married to an Isaac Fisher. This was a good starting point. The Rumpf tree is below, where the ***bold red italicised text*** represents my subsequent findings. Of course, we are focussing just on Margaret now.

William Fisher + Frances Sumpton (m.1754)

- Isaac (b.1767 d.1833) + Isabella Caux (b.1773 d.1829) (m.1794)

- ***Frances b.1795 d.1805***

- William b.1797, d.1797

- Isabella b.1798 ***d.1859***

- ***Mary b.1800 (possibly d.1812)***

- Isaac b.1803

- Jane b.1805, d.1807

- Jane b.1809, d.1891

***- Margaret b.1812 (approx.) d.1877***

- John b.1815 ***d.1884***

I reviewed the above info and relevant certificates and found the following –

* Isaac and Isabella’s youngest son John (b.1815) was married in Liverpool in 1853, certificate says his father is Isaac Fisher, brewer, and that John was living at 40 Eldon Place at the time of the marriage **(see certificate).**
* But David Masterton and wife Margaret were also staying at 40 Eldon Place when they were married in 1838, and then had three of their four children there, including when their David who was born in Feb 1853 **(see certificate)** !
* There is a gap in births between 1809 and 1815 that is nicely filled by Margaret based on her death certificate information.

**So, John Fisher and Margaret Fisher both have an Isaac Fisher as father, with same occupation brewer, and they both stayed at the same house in Liverpool, and Margaret named her first daughter Isabella which is the name of John Fisher’s mother. I conclude that Margaret is indeed the ‘missing’ child in the Isaac Fisher and Isabella Caux family.**

A couple of loose ends to tie up, and here is my best guess.

* 3rd daughter Frances matches the name of her great grandmother Frances Sumpton. I understood that the 3rd daughter is often named after the mother, but note that Margaret appears to be called Ada on her 1877 death certificate, perhaps she did not like the name Margaret?
* Isaac Fisher’s older brother William married a Jane Younghusband. I suspect the informant in 1877 in distant Victoria Australia wrongly guessed at Margaret’s mother’s name, and came up with Margaret’s auntie’s name instead (and even then, he/she had the wrong given name).