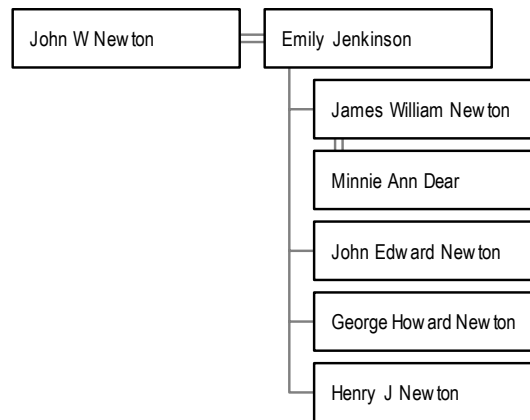


John William Newton



John was the second and middle child of James and Margaret Newton. One year younger than his sister Jane, John was born in 1844 in Hunslet Leeds. He spent his young years in Hunslet, where he was listed with the family at 10 Glass House Street for the 1851 Census. Shortly after this his mother Margaret died and in later in the same year his father remarried. It is also possible that John's young brother James also died in 1852.

Sometime after 1856 the family had upped sticks and moved to West Ham, London, and by the time of the 1861 census John, now 17 years old, had acquired two much younger step-sisters. By the 1871 census John William Newton had left home. In fact John had set up home with his new bride. He and Emily Jenkinson, a local girl, were married in the Hackney district in the June quarter of 1870.

Emily was the daughter of William and Elizabeth Jenkinson and she and they hailed from Essex. The family is listed as living at 125 Magdalen Street, Colchester for the 1851 Census.

William Jenkinson	35	Carpenter Master employing 1 Man	Colchester
Elizabeth Jenkinson	34		Colchester
Elizabeth Jenkinson	8	Scholar	Colchester
Emily Jenkinson	6	Scholar	Colchester
William Jenkinson	5	Scholar	Colchester
Esther Jenkinson	4		Colchester
Thurza Jenkinson	1		Colchester
Lavinia Cranfield (Niece)	1?		St Pancras, London

By 1861, the Jenkinson family has moved to 1 Retreat Place, Hackney, where the youngest two children were born.

William Jenkinson	45	Carpenter	Colchester
Elizabeth Jenkinson	44		Colchester
Elizabeth Jenkinson	18	Dressmaker	Colchester
Emily Jenkinson	16	Milliner	Colchester
William Jenkinson	15	Commercial Clerk	Colchester
Esther Jenkinson	13	Scholar	Colchester
Thurza Jenkinson	11	Scholar	Colchester
George Jenkinson	7	Scholar	Colchester
Samuel Jenkinson	6	Scholar	Hackney, Middlesex
Ada Jenkinson	4	Scholar	Hackney, Middlesex

After they were married John and Emily moved into 110 Hennicker Road, Stratford West and this is where they are found for the 1871 census. This would not have been too far from his parents' home as they 'shared' the same census Piece – 1626. John's father was working as a railway timekeeper in 1871 and, given John's occupation, they may have worked in the same area as well.

John Wm Newton	27	Engine Fitter	Leeds
Emily Newton	26		Colchester, Essex

In the time between the April 1871 and April 1881, John and Emily had 3 children in quick succession, and then there was a gap before their next known child was born on 26th March 1881, 8 days before the census night, when the family was located at a new address (perhaps to accommodate their growing family) but still in West Ham. With them at 3 Elm Villas, Cedars Road were a boarder and a nurse for the newly born child.

John Wm Newton	37	Engine Fitter	Leeds
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Emily Newton	36		Colchester, Essex
James W Newton	9		Stratford, Essex
John E Newton	8		Stratford, Essex
George H Newton	7		Stratford, Essex
Infant	8 days		Stratford, Essex
Spencer R Cossey (Boarder)	20	Drapers Traveller	Wilby, Suffolk
Mary Bartram	32	Family Nurse	Stratford, Essex

Yet again the family moved sometime between 1881 and 1891, but still in the West Ham area. The 'infant' of the 1881 census is now identified as Henry J Newton. John has also had a promotion! He and Emily were probably also looking after John's now elderly and widowed father James Newton as he is listed as living with the family at 9 Jansen Road, Forest Gate, West Ham. ^{ix}

John Wm Newton	47	Locomotive Foreman	Hunslet, Leeds
Emily Newton	46		Colchester, Essex
James W Newton	19	Draughtsman	Stratford, Essex
John E Newton	18	Locomotive Apprentice	Stratford, Essex
George H Newton	17	Pupil Teacher, Board School	Stratford, Essex
Henry J Newton	10	Scholar	Stratford, Essex
James Newton (Father)(Wdr)	74	Living on own means	Leeds

The three older boys are all following a trade or profession, and John J^{nr} seems set to follow his father and grandfather into the railways. Ten years later finds John and Emily, still living at 9 Jansen Road, but with only one son at home. ^x

John Wm Newton	57	Foreman Engine Fitter	Hunslet, Leeds
Emily Newton	56		Colchester, Essex
Henry J Newton	20	Accountants Clerk	Stratford, Essex

To date, no record has been found in the 1901 census for the Newton boys James William, John Edward and George Howard. ^{xi}

Nothing yet has been found to establish when Emily died. However, John William Newton died on 12th February 1910 at 4 Ripley Road, Romford. He was a retired Mechanical Engineer and aged 65. The cause of death was given as Senile Decay. Whether or not wife Emily was alive, it was John's sister-in-law, Ada E Jenkinson, of 2 Holland Road, Clacton on Sea, who was recorded as being present at his death and the informant of the event. ^{xii}

For the 1901 census, Ada Jenkinson, single and aged 43 is listed with unmarried sister Edith, who was 38. They were living at Croydon, where they were respectively Stationer and Sub Postmistress. ^{xiii}



James W Newton



James's father, John William Newton, had moved as a young man, away from his home town Leeds to the West Ham area of London sometime in the 1850s and it was at Stratford, Essex that his son James was born, as recorded in his birth registration in the district of West Ham for the Jul-Sep quarter of 1871. ^{xiv}

Growing up in the Essex area, he was recorded as a young boy being at home with his family for the 1881 census and as a Draughtsman for the 1891 census night. ^{xv} Before the 1901 census James had met and married Minnie Ann Dear, the event being registered in the West Ham District, Jul-Sep quarter 1897. ^{xvi}

Minnie was born in Southampton sometime between Apr and Jun 1871 to John and Ann Dear. ^{xvii} Her family had led an interesting life, with the head of the household being a Mariner, and it was no doubt that through his work Minnie and James were able to meet.

The 1881 census, when the Dears were living at 5 Pekin Terrace, West Ham, illustrates that John and his family had moved around. One query I have with this family listing is whether John's age is correctly recorded. If it is, it suggests that Ann may have been married before, and that Kate Dear (and perhaps also Maud and Hope) were the result of the previous relationship. ^{xviii}

John H T Dear	36	Mariner	Chapel Allerton
Ann M Dear	46		Henford, Buckinghamshire
Kate Dear	24	Governess	St George, Middlesex

Maud Dear	18		France (Brit Sub)
Hope Dear	16	Pupil Teacher	France (Brit Sub)
Minnie A Dear	9	Scholar	Southampton
Ethel E Dear	7	Scholar	Southampton

The 1901 census was conducted just before the Newton's fourth wedding anniversary. They were living at 135 Wallwood Road, Leyton, Essex. At this stage they do not appear to have any children.^{xix}

James W Newton	29	Land Surveyor	Stratford, Essex
Minnie A Newton	29		Southampton, Hants



ⁱ Leeds:HUNS/9/245.

ⁱⁱ HO107/2318/p4.

ⁱⁱⁱ RG9/1056/p34.

^{iv} FreeBMD Index.

^v HO107/1781/p27.

^{vi} RG9/159/p14.

^{vii} RG10/1626/p74.

^{viii} RG11/1706/p60.

^{ix} RG12/1313/p56.

^x RG13/1593/p10.

^{xi} Refer to FreeBMD Birth Index registrations on file. No registration has been found for the youngest son, Henry J Newton.

^{xii} Certified copy of Death Certificate DYB427676.

^{xiii} RG13/640/p4.

^{xiv} FreeBMD Birth Index.

^{xv} RG11/1706/p60; RG12/1313/p56.

^{xvi} FreeBMD Marriage Index.

^{xvii} FreeBMD Birth Index.

^{xviii} RG11/1711/p.3.

^{xix} RG13/1621/p56.