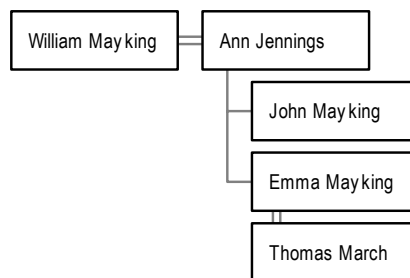


William Mayking



From the Talbot Estate Account document in which William Mayking is listed it can be reasonably assumed that he was still alive in 1890.^v

Based on the 1841 census record in which his age is given as 13,[#] his year of birth would be around 1827/28 which is borne out by the fact that, at the time of his marriage in 1846, William was a minor.

On 9th July 1846, after the calling of banns, William married Ann Jennings, also a minor, at the parish church of St Peter, Leeds. At the time of the wedding William's occupation was shoemaker, and he was living in Duke Street. Ann's father was given as Thomas Jennings, a coach trimmer, and her address (indistinct) seems to have been Off Street. The ceremony was conducted by the curate, J.S. Oxley, and witnessed by one John Smith and Mary Lee (who made her mark).

Five years before the wedding Ann and her family were recorded by the 1841 census all having been born in Yorkshire, and living in Hunslet.[#]

Thomas Jennings	45	Coach Maker
Mary Jennings	40	
Charlotte Jennings	15	
Ann Jennings	12	
William Jennings	10	
Thomas Jennings	5	
Emma Jennings	5	

Five years later, for the 1851 census, Ann has been located but William has not. The name Mayking spawned a number of variations for the census returns which has made this family particularly difficult to find, and, as an example, for 1851 Ann Mayking was masquerading as Ann Making living at 10 Gambles Yard, Leeds.^v

Ann Making	24	Shoe Binder	York
John Making	4	Scholar	Leeds
Emma Making	3		Leeds ^v

Before the next census, son John had died. His birth certificate gives his date of birth as 21st April 1846 at Browns Square, Skinner Lane Leeds and it was his father William who was listed as the informant. At just 7 years of age he died of convulsions, on 15th March 1854 at 14 Roundhay Street. Interestingly, while his mother was able to sign her name on her marriage certificate, she made her mark X on the death certificate as the person present at the death of her son. William is given as the father and there is nothing on the certificate to indicate whether he was still alive or not.^v

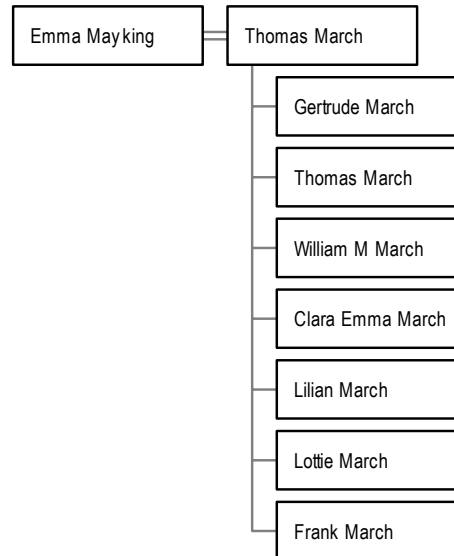
Neither Ann nor William has been located in 1861. Their daughter Emma (listed as Emma Marking) has been found, living with her Jennings grandparents at 23 Roundhay Street, North East Leeds.^v A check on number 14, where Ann was living when her son died in 1854, shows that she no longer lived there.

After an equally fruitless search through the subsequent census records, using a variety of parameters, I have at this stage given up on William and Ann. From the Talbot Estate document he was apparently alive in August 1890. He was cited as William Mayking, Gentleman, as the father on Emma's 1877 marriage certificate.^v He and Ann may have separated. Ann may have died or have remarried. They may have emigrated, been put in jail or any number of things may have occurred, but whatever their fate, no records have been found to enlighten us!

Emma Mayking

A registration of birth has been located for Emma Mayking, daughter of William and Ann, at Walmgate, York^x and she features in the 1851 census, living at home with her mother and brother.^x We know that her brother died in 1854, and I have not found any further information in the subsequent census returns for her parents. However Emma (transcribed as Marking) is found at the 1861 census with her maternal grandparents at 23 Roundhay Road, North East Leeds^w which was close to number 14 where her brother John's death occurred.^w

Thomas Jennings	68	Coach Trimmer	Osbourne(?), Yorkshire
Mary Jennings	64		Ripon
Thomas Jennings (Son)	26	Coach Body Maker	Leeds
Rachel Jennings (Dau-in-law?)	22		Manchester
Charlotte Jennings (Dau)	2		Leeds
Mary Jennings (GrandDau)	2 mos		Leeds
Emma Marking (GrandDau)	12		York



Emma has been 'lost' for 1871, but on Boxing Day 1877 she married Thomas March, son of William March, leather dresser. The wedding took place after banns at the Parish Church of Buslingthorpe, and witnesses were William Henry Allen and Mary Garland. Emma was described as a 29 year old spinster, living in Roundhay Street, and Thomas J^{nr} as a 30 year old Bachelor, Mason, of Sackville Street. Emma's father was listed as William Mayking, Gentleman, but with no indication whether he was alive or not.^w The background to Thomas's family is found in the 1851, 1861 and 1871 census returns. His first census appearance was in 1851 when he was a 4 year old boy living at home with his family at 26 Russell Street, Leeds.^w

William March	35	Morocco Leather Dresser	Kendal, Westmoreland
Hannah March	35		Manchester
Joseph March	14	Scholar	Manchester
Mary March	11	Scholar	Newcastle
Hannah March	7	Scholar	Newcastle
William March	6	Scholar	Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire
Thomas March	3		Newcastle
David Harvey (Lodger)(M)	44	Morocco Leather Dresser	Barnes, Surrey

In 1861 he was a 13 year old, living at home with his parents in Meanwood Road, North West Leeds.^w

William March	46	Leather Finisher	Kendal, Westmoreland
Hannah March	46		Manchester
Joseph March	23	Leather Finisher	Manchester
Hannah March	18	Woollen Cloth Weaver	Newcastle upon Tyne
William March	16	Coach Smith	Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire
Thomas March	13		Newcastle upon Tyne
Francis March	8	Scholar	Leeds

From the birthplaces of the children this was a very mobile family.

In 1871 Thomas had moved away from home and was boarding, with his younger brother Francis, with the Huddleston family at 4 Belfort Street, North West Leeds.^w

John H Huddleston	30	Mechanic Iron Turner	Leicester ^{xvii}
Mary Huddleston	31		Holbeck
Clara Huddleston	4	Scholar	Leeds
William March	2		Leeds
John Huddleston	1 mo		Leeds
Thomas March (Boarder)	23	Marble Mason	Newcastle
Francis March (Boarder)	18	Leather Dresser	Leeds
Elizabeth Windsor (Boarder)	11	Domestic Servant	Leeds

Interestingly this census listing provides a link between the Mayking and Hollings families, as John, head of the household, was in fact John Henry Huddleston, the brother of Charlotte Poyner Huddleston who married William Hollings, Emma Mayking's first cousin once removed.

Emma and Thomas March had a number of children as shown by the 1881 and 1891 census returns. However nothing has yet been found for 1901. Either the family just was not around at the time to be counted or the census collector made such a mess of recording the name 'March' that any number of permutations has not yet discovered where they might have been. We do know that in 1908 Thomas was a marble mason living at 15 Delaware Street, Leeds.^{xviii}

Three years after their wedding, in 1881, the couple and the first two of their known children, who were both born in Derby, were living at 5 Chesapeake Street, North West Leeds.^{ix}

Thomas March	33	Marble Mason	Newcastle
Emma March	32		York
Gertrude March	2		Derby
Thomas March	11mos		Derby

The remaining children were all born in Leeds, suggesting that from around 1880 the family was based in the city where in 1891 they were living at 33 Grant Avenue, Central Ward, Leeds.^x

Thomas March	43	Marble Mason	Newcastle
Emma March	42		York
Gertrude March	13	Scholar	Derby
Thomas March	10	Scholar	Derby
William M March	9	Scholar	Leeds
Clara E March	6	Scholar	Leeds
Lilian March	5		Leeds
Lottie March	3		Leeds
Frank March	1		Leeds

The following are the probable FreeBMD birth registrations for the children.

Gertrude March	Jan-Mar	1879
Thomas March	Apr-Jun	1880
William March		1881
Clara Emma March	Jul-Sep	1884
Lilian March	Jan-Mar	1886
Lottie March	Jan-Mar	1888
Frank March	Jul-Sep	1889



ⁱ Based on the fact that he is neither listed as "deceased" or as having assigned his portion of the proceeds.

ⁱⁱ HO107/1346/10/-F20-21.

ⁱⁱⁱ HO107/1345/4/-F28.

^{iv} HO107/2320/p15.

^v However a Yorkshire BMD birth listing has an Emma Mayking with the place of registration of the birth being Walmgate, York.

^{vi} Certified copy of Birth Certificate BXC989197; certified copy of Death Certificate FC884016.

^{vii} RG9/3386/p7.

^{viii} Certified copy of Marriage Certificate MXC822076.

^{ix} Birth Certificate York WAL/11/86.

^x HO107/2320/p15.

^{xi} RG9/3386/p7.

^{xii} Certified copy of Birth Certificate BXC989197; certified copy of Death Certificate FC884016.

^{xiii} Certified copy of Marriage Certificate MXC822076.

^{xiv} HO 107/2318/p11.

^{xv} RG9/3389/p29.

^{xvi} RG10/4561/pp38-39.

^{xvii} It is very likely that this John H Huddleston was the brother of Charlotte Huddleston who married Emma March's (née Mayking) first cousin removed – William Hollings, son of Emma's great-aunt Eliza Hollings (née Wright) – refer to Wright-Hollings notes.

^{xviii} Kelly's 1908 Directory of West Riding of Yorkshire, Vol 2, p660.

^{xix} RG11/4526/p13.

^{xx} RG12/3696/pp18-19.