

The Bradford Peckitts

Here is the 1901 entry for 12 Dartmouth Terrace for the Peckitt family:

William Jaques	Head	M	65	Self	London	London	London
Betsy do	Wife	M	66	Wife	London	London	London
Isabella A. do	Daughter	F	33	Wife	London	London	London
Miriam A. do	Daughter	F	25	Wife	London	London	London
Charles Wm Peckitt	Son-in-law	M	32	Wife	London	London	London
Emily do	Daughter	M	29	Wife	London	London	London
Margaret do	Daughter	F	3	Wife	London	London	London
George Wm do	Son	M	1	Wife	London	London	London

Fortuitously, George William Peckitt's family is living (or staying) with the mother's parents. So we have Willy's parents as Charles William aged 32 and Emily aged 29 and elder sister Margaret aged 3. Willy's grandparents are William Jaques aged 65 and Betsy aged 66. Unmarried aunts are Isabella aged 33 and Miriam aged 25, both born Bolton.

The PRO index entry for "Peckitt Bradford" is as follows:

Image	Name	Age	Where Born	Administrative County	Civil Parish	Occupation
	Charles Peckitt	32	Yorks Kirk	Bradford	Bradford	Railway Engine Stoker
	Emily Peckitt	29	Lancs Bolton	Bradford	Bradford	
	George Peckitt	1	Yorks Bradford	Bradford	Bradford	
	Margaret Peckitt	3	Yorks Bradford	Bradford	Bradford	

This confirms that there was only one Bradford Peckitt family. Note that Charles birth-place is given as "Kirk" whereas it should have been "Thirsk".

Margaret is shown in the "freebmds" on the Internet as born Bradford March quarter 1898, vol 9b page 76. Other Bradford Peckitt births shown are Florence June 1895 9b 94 and Ethel Jun 1892 9b 75 but as they don't appear in Bradford in 1901 they were either Charles and Emily's who died before then, or from a different family which moved away (which seems unlikely).

Looking up the 1881 census under "James Peckitt Yorkshire" gives:

Dwelling:	High House					
Census Place:	Thirsk, York, England					
Source:	FHL Film 1342163	PRO Ref	RG11	Piece	4821	Folio 21 Page 9
James PECKITT	Marr	Age	41	Sex	M	Birthplace
Rel:	Head					Sutton, York, England
Occ:	Head & Farm Labourer					
Margaret PECKITT	M	Age	35	Sex	F	Birthplace
Rel:	Wife					Balk, York, England
Occ:	Labourers Wife					
Thomas PECKITT	U	Age	14	Sex	M	Birthplace
Rel:	Son					Thirsk, York, England
Occ:	Scholar					
Charles PECKITT		Age	12	Sex	M	Birthplace
Rel:	Son					Thirsk, York, England
Occ:	Scholar					
Jane Ann PECKITT		Age	8	Sex	F	Birthplace
Rel:	Daughter					Thirsk, York, England
Occ:	Scholar					
Margaret PECKITT		Age	4	Sex	F	Birthplace
Rel:	Daughter					Thirsk, York, England
James PECKITT		Age	1	Sex	M	Birthplace
Rel:	Son					Thirsk, York, England

And there is Charles Peckitt, right age. Thirskleby is a small village near Thirsk, as is Balk and Sutton, so it should be possible to trace both sides of the family through the local parish register.

Turning to the Jaques in 1881, the entry is:

Dwelling:	36 Conduit St					
Census Place:	Manningham, York, England					
Source:	FHL Film 1342068	PRO Ref	RG11	Piece	4464	Folio 58 Page 26
George W. JAQUES	M	Age	46	Sex	M	Birthplace
Rel:	Head					London, London, Middlesex, England

	Occ: Hat Maker				
Elizabeth	J AQUES	M	46	F	Bradford, York, Engl and
	Rel: Wife				
	Occ: Hatters Wife				
Elizabeth	J AQUES	U	17	F	Bradford, York, Engl and
	Rel: Daur				
	Occ: Worsted Drawer				
John A.	J AQUES		15	M	Keighley, York, Engl and
	Rel: Son				
	Occ: Stuff Dyer (Mr)				
Isabella A.	J AQUES		13	F	Bolton, Lancashi re, Engl and
	Rel: Daur				
	Occ: Worsted Spinner				
George I.	J AQUES		11	M	Bolton, Lancashi re, Engl and
	Rel: Son				
	Occ: Worsted Spinner				
Emily	J AQUES		9	F	Bolton, Lancashi re, Engl and
	Rel: Daur				
	Occ: Schol ar				
Joseph W.	J AQUES		7	M	Bolton, Lancashi re, Engl and
	Rel: Son				
	Occ: Schol ar				
Minnie A.	J AQUES		5	F	Salford, Lancashi re, Engl and
	Rel: Daur				
	Occ: Schol ar				
Walter	J AQUES		3	M	Bradford, York, Engl and
	Rel: Son				
	Occ: Schol ar				

And "William" of 1901 was "George W" and "Betsy" of 1901 was Elizabeth. Isabella is still living with the family in 1901, and it looks like "Minnie" became "Miriam" in 1901. The age is right, but birthplace in 1901 is given as "Bolton" as opposed to "Salford" in 1881. The family had their first child in Bradford in 1864, then at two yearly intervals – Keighley, Bolton, Bolton, Bolton, Bolton, Salford (or Bolton?) and finally Bradford – 14 years after the first child was born

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