

SESTON Family of DBY/NTT & C19th Birmingham

Introduction & Search Notes

Possible phonetic/regional name variations:

CESTEARN, SEARSON, SEARSTEN, SEARSTON, SEARSTONE, SEASON, SEASTON, SEASTONE, SEATON, SEESTON, SEESTONE, SISEN, SISON, SISSON, SISTON, SISTONE, SYERSTON, SYESON, SYSTEM, SYSON, SYSTON

Name became SESTON in mid C19th Birmingham, but also exists with this spelling in the East Midlands & North Derbyshire/South Yorkshire

Sub-districts: Ashover; Bolsover; Chesterfield; Dronfield; Eckington.
GRO volumes: XIX (1837-51); 7b (1852-1930).

Ashover, Barlow, Bolsover, Brackenfield, Brampton, Brimington, Calow, Chesterfield, Claycross, Clay Lane, Coal Aston, Dronfield, Dronfield Woodhouse, Eckington, Egstow, Great Barlow, Hasland, Heath, Holmesfield, Killamarsh, Little Barlow, Morton, Newbold and Dunston, North Wingfield, Pilsley, Shirland and Higham, Staveley, Stretton, Sutton cum Duckmanton, Tapton, Temple Normanton, Tupton, Unstone, Walton, Wessington, Whittington, Wingerworth, Woodthorpe.
Registers now in Chesterfield district.

SCARSDALE HUNDRED includes Dronfield ("Field of Drones")

Norton Directory part of White's 1857 Directory of Derbyshire has:

Beerhouse owner SESTON James at Greenhill, Norton Parish
Jas (same?) listed under Inns & Taverns, and also listed under shoemakers.
GREENHILL is an ancient village, 1½ mile S. of Norton.

SESTONS at Eckington & Norton,

Others:

SESTON Emma born 1848 Rotherham Earls Barton, a 1881 census Northamptonshire Stray
07 SEP 1817 R Joseph ALVEY = Mary SESTON BURTON JOYCE NTT (I)

SESTON, ERNEST, Private, 12861, 10th Btn., 02/11/1916 of Chesterfield in Sherwood Foresters on the Somme 1st Battalion. One of 161 men killed in action or died of wounds from 5th July to 18th November 1916.

1. IGI for SEASTON see SYSTON - Derbyshire IGI (1984) shows 130 names in NE corner of county (Bolsover, Scarcliffe, etc.) bordering Notts.

2. Phillimore Marriage Volumes (Notts FHS):

Vol. 11:

p.93: George BARNETT = Hannah SEASON 10.7.1798 Sutton-in-Ashfield
p.77: William SEASON = Hannah STEVENS 30.12.1771 S-i-A
p.127: William SEASON = Mary CLAY (of S-in-A) 10.11.1806 Kirkby-in-A
p.96: Thomas HARRISON = Ann SEATON 7.6.1802 S-i-A

Vol. 12:

p.98: Thomas SEARSTON = Sarah EODSON 21.7.1817 Mansfield
p.79: Daniel NEWTON = Ann SESTON widow 15.12.1823 Mansfield Woodhouse
p.96: William KENNAN = Elizabeth SESTON 12.8.1816 Mansfield
p.110: Isaac HUMPHRIES = Sarah SESTON widow 12.1.1824 Mansfield
p.171: John SEARSON = Elizabeth TURNER 6.12.1835 S-i-A
p.159: William SEARSON = Emma DOVE 7.9.1828 S-i-A
p.145: William SEARSON = Sarah LEE 4.4.1819 S-i-A
p.122: James BRAILSFORD = Sarah SEARSON 6.9.1829 Mansfield
p.97: Richard SEARSON = Anne REVILL 4.5.1816 Mansfield

Quite a few variant names for Wollaton in Index.

- Settlement Certificate for John SYSTON, FWK, from Wollaton to Mansfield in 1743. Perhaps an earlier ancestor connecting Wollaton & the Mansfield/Sutton-in-Ashfield area?

- Burgess Index for Nottingham: Thomas SEARSON enrolled in 1726, bricklayer.

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Staveley, DBY:

Baptisms -

Surname Forenames Rel. Father Mother Abode Day Month Year Notes
SEARSTON George S Samuel Anne Woodthorp 22 June 1783
SEARSTON Jude S George Rebecca 14 November 1784
SEARSTON Jude S William Jane Staveley 23 June 1805
SEARSTON Robert S Samuel Sarah Staveley 5 April 1801
SEARSTON Thomas S William Jane Staveley 30 January 1803
SEASTERN George S George Rebecca Staley 18 November 1787
SEASTERN Thomas S George Rebecca Staveley 20 June 1790
SEASTERN William S George Rebecca Staveley 18 May. 1780
SESTEARN Hannah Di Mary Staveley 22 July 1804 Illegitimate? father Thomas Cowper
SESTEARN Thomas S Jude Adey Staveley 19 November 1815
SISTERN Sarah Di Fanny Staveley 22 February 1828 Illegitimate

Burials-

Family Name ForeName Rel. Parents/Spouse Abode Day Month Year
SEARSTON Jude S William & Jane Staveley 5 February 1808
SEARSTON Samuel Staveley 1 July 1801
SEARSTON Sarah D Samuel & Sarah Staveley 16 July 1800
SEARSTON Sarah Woodthorpe 22 June 1817
SEASTERN Anne Wf Samuel Workhouse 3 January 1784
SESTERNE John S William & Jane Staveley 18 April 1809
Surname Forename Abode Day Month Year Age Notes
SEARSTON Jane Staveley 19 August 1843 65
SEARSTONE Ann Hollingwood Common 17 Jan 1847 52

Marriages -

SEA... Jane Staveley STORY Thomas Staveley 24 June 1673
SEARSTON George Staveley BURTON Rebecca Staveley 16 August 1779
SEARSTON Hannah Staveley WATERHOUSE John Staveley 26 October 1818
SEARSTON Rebecca Staveley SMITH John Staveley 11 March 1811
SEARSTON Sarah Staveley COWPER Thomas Staveley 17 March 1806

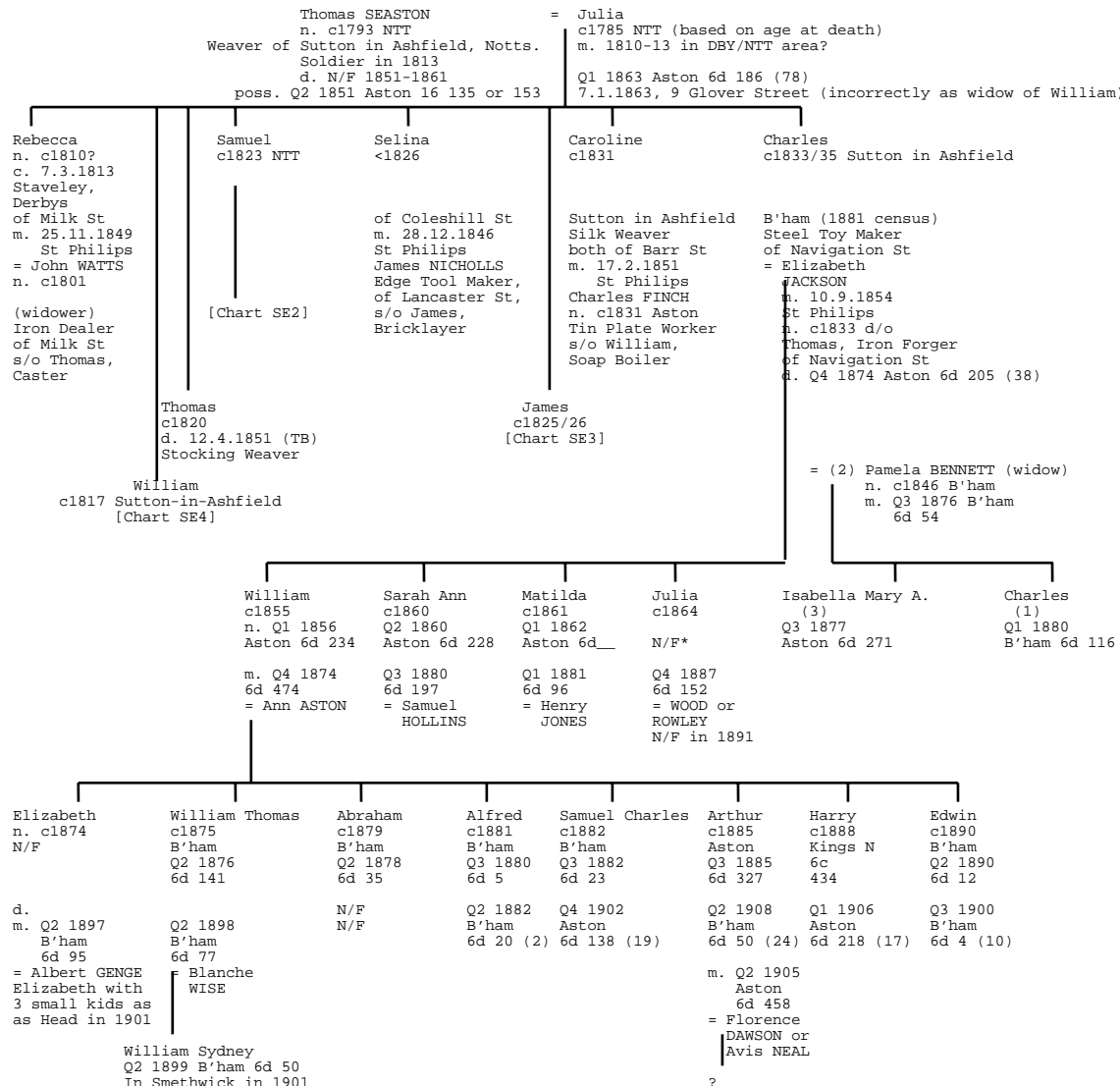
1881 Census - Staveley Strays:

SURNAME Forenames Census Address Rel. Cond. Age Occupation Where Born Notes
SESTON Ada 81 Canwick Road, Lincoln, Lincs Dau U 17 Dressmaker Staveley Head Ann Seston (married) 3240 47 88
SESTON Charles Wm. Newton Green, Blackwell, Derbys Son 6 Scholar Staveley Head William Seston wife Hannah 3313 96 29
SESTON Mary Newton Green, Blackwell, Derbys Dau 8 Scholar Staveley Head William Seston wife Hannah 3313 96 29

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CHART SE1: Descendants of Thomas SEASTON of Late C18th ?Dronfield, Derbyshire & Sutton In Ashfield, Notts., then C19th Birmingham [GRACE]

Baptism not found 1769-95; May have originated near/in Dronfield, N. Derbyshire, but Sutton-in-Ashfield & Mansfield in NTT most commonly referred to on census prior to Birmingham entries.



Notes

* Julia - not census error (both on 1871 & 1881) but may be recorded as James SESTON Q4 1865 B'ham 6d 175

1. Witnesses to Selina's, and James & Matilda's marriage: **William & Grace SEASTON**

2. Dronfield DBY refs:
1861 census - James SESTON (36) with wife Jane, 5 children and his father John SESTON (73) living at Turnpike road.
In the IGI also a John SESTON c. 29.9.1816 at Dronfield.

3. Other Staveley DBY refs. are:
Hannah SEARSTONE = John WATERHOUSE 26.10.1818
Sarah SEARSTONE = Thomas COUPER 17.3.1806
Thomas SEARSTONE s/o Jude & Adey c. 19.11.1815
William SEESTON n. 17.10.1780

4. Name most common in NE Derbys.

No clues from 1841 census data for family origins, although they were in B'ham by 1846.

GenesReunited contact for SESTON = HOLLINS, Janet GREEN; for SESTON = GENGE, Martin DEWHIRST

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Census Data

Charles & Elizabeth at Deritend in 1861: Charles (25), Elizabeth (25), William (6), Sarah Ann (1)
In 1871: most likely at Deritend, Aston incorrectly as SEXTON:
John (name error) (36), Elizabeth (35), William (15), Sarah A (11), Matilda (9), Julia (6)

Charles & Pamela in 1881 at Cheapside No 317 House, Birmingham
Father Stockyard Foreman in 1881 Aston, Cheapside
Also 2 BENNETT children from Pamela's previous marriage = John (8) & Sarah (7)
Note: An Isabella Lavinia SESTON m. Aston Sep Q 1894 6d 443 = Thomas ??
1891: Charles possibly d. Q1 1891 (54) Aston 6d 189, but not good age match. Pamela N/F.

Caroline & Charles FINCH in 1881 at 15 Ct, 1 Ho, Moseley St, Aston:
Charles (50) of London, Caroline (49) of Sutton In Ashfield, George (16) also Tin Plate Worker,
William (13), Ellen (6), Scholars

1881: William & Ann resident at 10 Wellington St House as LESTON, belonging to manufactory in Ladywood in 1881
with 4 children and boarder Julia SESTON (15), Boarder - Bedstead Painter
William (25) - Bedstead Maker (Iron), Ann (27), Elizabeth (6), William (5), Abraham (2), Alfred (<1)

In 1891 Ladywood as SESTON & TESTON:

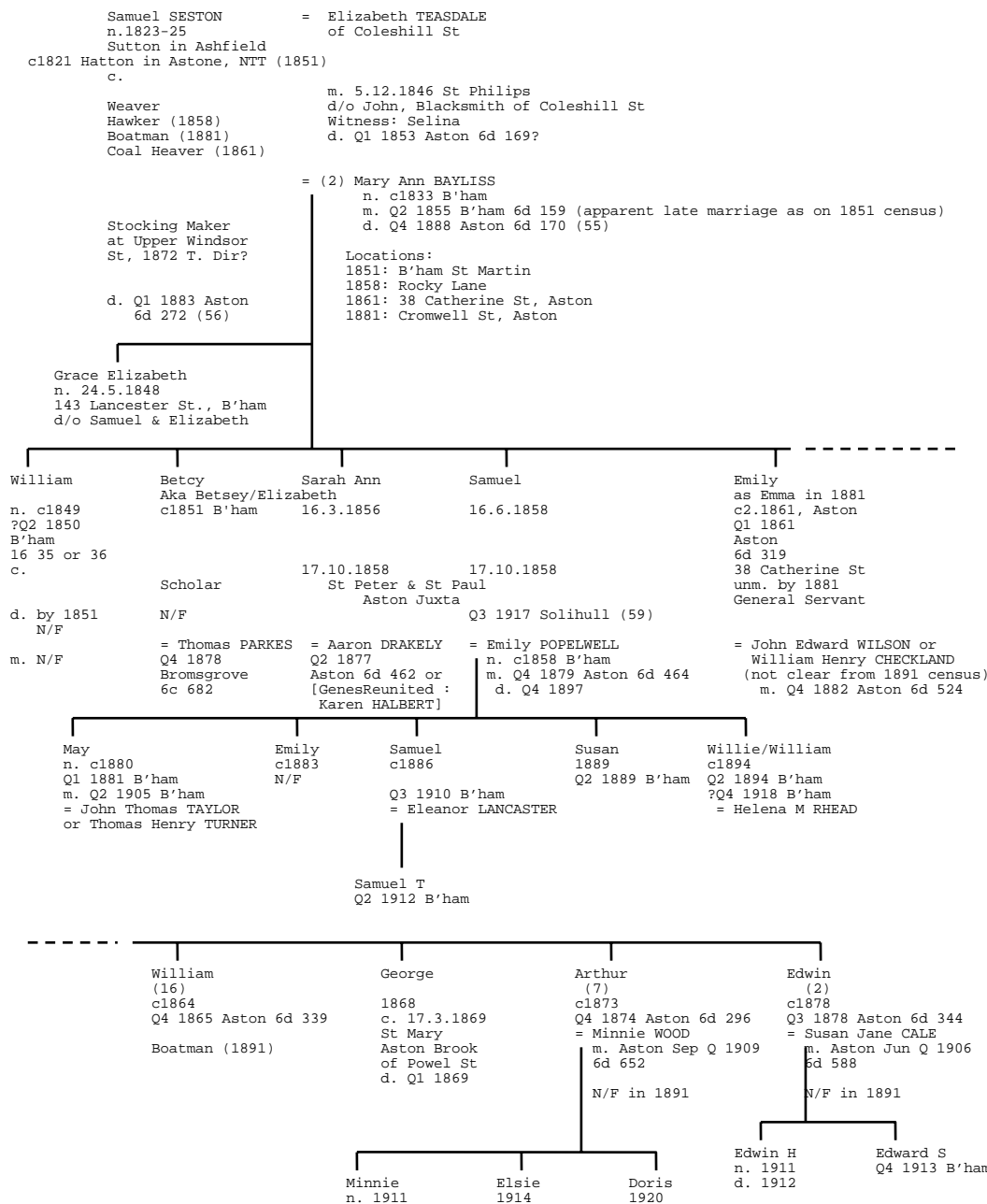
William SESTON (35) Half-brother to Head (may be in error), Annie SESTON (37), and children as TESTON - W C (15), Abraham (12),
Samuel (9), Arthur (6), Harry (3), Edwin (1)

No 1841 census clues for Thomas & Judith/Julia
1851: as JECKEN = Thomas (57) & Julia (63)

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CHART SE2: Descendants of Samuel SEASTON/SESTON & Mary Ann of C19th Birmingham

Possibly c. 24.5.1826 the illeg. s/o Judith SEASTON at Sutton



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Census Data

Samuel & Elizabeth:
 1851: As SEASTON at Birmingham St. Martin - Samuel (30), Elizabeth (30), William (1)

Samuel & Mary Ann -
 1861: As SESTON in Aston, Erdington - Samuel (40), Mary Ann (28), Betsy (10), Sarah (5), Samuel (3), Emily (2m)
 1871: As LESTON in Duddeston cum Nechells, Aston - Samuel (46), Mary Ann (37), Thos Ann (13), Samuel (11), William (6), Ellen (1m)
 1871: Betsy as Betsey LESTON with family of William & Grace in Bromsgrove
 1881: Aston, Duddeston - Samuel (56), Mary A (47), Emma (20), William (16), Arthur (7), Edwin (2)

Aaron & Sarah Ann DRAKELY in Aston in 1881.

Samuel & Emily in 1881 as TESTON at 250 Great Russell St: Samuel (23) - Boatman, Emily (22), Mary (<1)
 In 1901 as SESTON - Samuel (42) - Coal Merchant, May (20) - Care Taker, Emily SESTON (17) - Stringer Coal Yard, Samuel (15) - Stringer Coal Yard, Susan (11), Willie (6)

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CHART SE4: William & Grace SESTON

Witnesses to Selina's marriage were William & Grace SEASTON:
From Chart SE1:

William (2) = Hosier w/nephew James of Mansfield or S-in-A n. c1817-1822 S-in-A	= Grace HOLLADAY Dressmaker of Wakefield c1815/6 m. (1) 29.6.1835 Horbury, YKS (as HERTLEY (HARTLEY)) = Frederick HOLLADAY/HALLIDAY (n. c1816 Stanley, YKS) m. (2) Q3 1879 Birmingham 6d 174 (Late marriage) 19.8.1879 St Phillips, B'ham* d. Jun Q 1889 Bromsgrove 6c 195 (74)
	Ellen HOLLADAY (aka SESTON on census) d/o Frederick, Draper Dressmaker (1851) n. c1838 S-in-A m. 1855 = Joseph PHILLIPS, musician Bromsgrove (witn. Wm SESTON & Ann PHILLIPS)

Notes

1851 census at 143 Lancaster Street, B'ham St. Mary:

William SEASTON	Head	34	Hosier of Notts (possibly Mansfield)
Grace	Wife	36	Dressmaker of Wakefield
Ellen	d	13	Dressmaker of Sutton in Ashfield
Grace E.	visitor	2	of Birmingham (note relationship not given, but niece c1849 - see below)

Marriage record: William SESTON (57 n. 1822), Bachelor, Draper of Gem Street, s/o Thomas SESTON, Hosier
 Grace HALLIDAY (63 n. 1816), Widow of Great Brook Street, d/o John HARTLEY, Blacksmith
 Witnesses: Maria PHILLIPS, Thomas PHILLIPS (probably Thomas & Maria living in Gem Street at this time.)

Grace Elizabeth SESTON Q21848 B'ham 16 349. d. Q2 1890 Droitwich 6c 202 (42) d/o Samuel & Elizabeth.

In 1851, William's mother may be as JACKEN in Aston, Deritend:
 Shas, actually Thomas as Thos (57 NTT), Julia (63 NTT), Thomas (31 - son c1820 NTT) & Charles (16 - son c1835)

1861: as SATON - Great Dodford near Bromsgrove, confirms William of Sutton-in-Ashfield, and the younger Grace as a niece still living with family. In 1861, William's mother Julia (73), widow of Sutton in Ashfield, was living with the family. In 1861, William was a market gardener.

1871: as LESTON at Dodford - William (48), Grace (56), Grace (22), Betsey (18), Anne PHILLIPS (13), Maria PHILLIPS (11), Alice HODGKINS (14) - Servant. The presence of Betsy as a niece confirms family relationship of Thomas & William being brothers. Anne & Maria assumed to be granddaughters of Grace (d/o Ellen)

1881: as SESTON at Dodford - William (60 of Mansfield), Gardener of 4 acres, Grace (64), Grace (31), Anne PHILLIPS (23), Maria PHILLIPS (21), Jane HUGHES (8)

1891: as LESTON at Upton Warren WOR - William (70) a visitor in the PARKES household. Research shows this to Betsy SESTONs family based on Betsey SESTON m. Q4 1878 Bromsgrove 6c 682 = Thomas PARKES
 Thomas PARKES (52), Elizabeth PARKES (37), Alice Elizabeth PARKES (10), Ellen G PARKES (7), Thomas H PARKES (4), Mary Jane PARKES (2). Family in Yielding Tree, Chaddesley Corbett in 1901 - all present but with additional Florence G PARKES (8).

Grace almost certainly related to original (Dodford) Chartist John HARTLEY - book by Diana POOLE, local researcher.

Grace's first husband may be the Frederick HALLIDAY who m. Elizabeth WILLIS c1858. Family on 1871, with wife a widow in 1881, which may have allowed Grace to marry William.

Descendants of PHILLIPS have story that Joseph PHILLIPS died of a heart attack in a circus ring during an act with lions, while Ellen was killed by a lion when she put her head in its mouth during an act. [Unverified].

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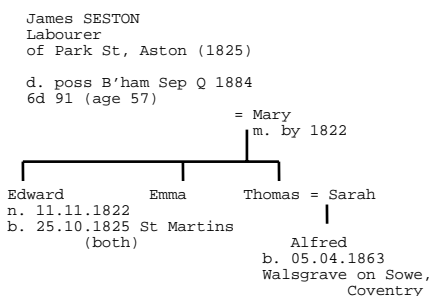
Other Notes

1901 Census:

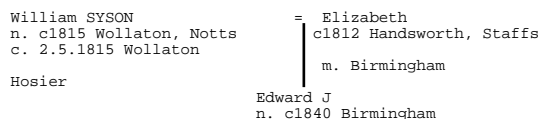
3 unlinked B'ham SESTONs in Birmingham on the 1901 Census:

Name	Age	Where Born	Admin. County	Civil Parish	Occupation
as LESTON:					
Precilla SESTON	55	Warwick Birmingham	Birmingham	Aston	
Charles SESTON	19	Warwick Birmingham	Birmingham	Aston	Cabinet Maker
Sarah SESTON	28	Warwick	Birmingham	Aston	Burnisher Brass

- looking for a SESTON=Precilla or variant in period 1862-74 (N/F)
 - Census 1871, 1881 & 1891 census entries (no clues). Spouse deceased by 1901.



1851 census at 72 High Street, St Philip, Birmingham:



Family had Hosier assistants: Sarah B HARPER (23), Eliza Gill FIDDIAN (25) & John MERRELL (12) Apprentice
 Caroline SIDDONS (31) was the General Servant

Eliza Wilcockson SISON n. 1754 Cossaal d/o John SISON (1719) & Susannah WILCOCKSON

Sarah SYSON c. 21.7/.796 St Mary's Notts
 James Greathead SISON c. 24.4.1797 St Mary's Notts
 John SYSON c. 5.12.1799 St Mary's Notts
 Elizabeth SYSON c. 7.6.1805 Wollaton [unmarried in 1851 living in Birmingham (see below) as is her brother William]
 George SYSON c. 5.12.1813 Wollaton
 William SYSON c. 21.5.1815 Wollaton
 Timothy SYSON c. 11.1.1818 Wollaton

The parents of William and Elizabeth are John SISON c. 5.6.1738 Wollaton (d. 12.10.1826) = Lucy GREEN m. by licence 27.11.1794
 St Mary's Nottingham (d. 15.4.1839) - 7 children listed above.
 Elizabeth SISON n. 1805 d. 4.6.1858 (53) in Birmingham and is mentioned on a gravestone in Wollaton churchyard.

1851 Census Birmingham

William SYSON Head M 35 M Hosier Wollaton-NTT
 Elizabeth SYSON Wife M 38 F --- Handsworth-STs
 Edward J. SYSON Son - 10 M Scholar Birmingham-War
 Sarah B. HARPER Servant U 23 F Hosiers Assistant Birmingham-War
 Eliza Gill FIDDIAN Serv U 25 F Hosiers Assistant Birmingham-War
 John MERRELL Serv - 12 M Hosiers App Birmingham-War
 Caroline SIDDONS Serv U 31 F General Serv Gt Barr-STs
 Address: High St. Birmingham / PRO Ref: HO/107/2055 Folio 65 Page 24 FHL Film 0087314

Henry GITTINS Head M 44 M Hosier & Parish Clerk ----Shr
 Susanna GITTINS Wife M 32 F --- Birmingham----
 John GITTINS Son - 3 M --- Birmingham----
 Marianne GITTINS Daur - 1 F --- Birmingham----
 Sarah Jane GITTINS Daur - 2m F --- Birmingham----
 Mary POWELL Moth W 61 F --- Birmingham----
 Eliza Mary POWELL Niece U 15 F Assistant Teacher Trentham-STs
Elizabeth SYSON Serv U 45 F Hosiers Assistant Woolaton-NTT
 William H. ATKINSON Serv U 33 M Hosiers Assistant Wandsworth-Sur
 John PRICE Serv U 20 M Hosiers Shop assistant Standrindod-Rad
 George GOODENOUGH Serv U 15 M Hosiers Shop Errand boy Dorchester-Oxf
 Hannah PARKER Serv U 22 F Hosiers General serv Birmingham-War
 Charlotte MORRIS Serv U 16 F General Serv Birmingham-War
 Ann Maria SMITH Serv U 14 F General Serv Birmingham-War
 Address: New St. Birmingham / PRO Ref: HO/107/2055 Folio 72 Page 39 FHL Film 0087314

Son of James Greathead SYSON (the brother of William):
James SYSON Head M 27 M Shop Keeper Hosier Birmingham-War
 Ruth SYSON Wife M 22 F --- Northfield-WOR
 Frank SYSON Son U 2m M --- Birmingham-War
 Ann EDMONDS Cous U 20 F Shop Assistant Birmingham-War
 Louisa BAYLEY Serv U 19 F --- Kensington-Mid
 Kate HOLROYD --- W 20 F --- Halifax-YKS
 Jane N. KEMP --- U 15 F --- Birmingham-War
 Edwin EDMONDS --- U 18 M --- N. K.----
 Hannah BANT --- U 26 F Household Serv Knowle-War
 Mary Ann HORTON --- U 19 F --- Rowley Regis-STs
 Address: New St. Birmingham / PRO Reference: HO/107/2055 Folio: 80 Page: 8 FHL Film: 0087314

Mary SYSON Head W 55 F Retired Lace Dealer Lichfield-STs **

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Ann EDMONDS Sis U 57 F Lace Dealer Birmm-WAR
Cathe. HALLSTONE Serv U 61 F Servant Birmm-WAR
Address: Vicarage Road / Census Place: Edgbaston Kings Norton, Warks / PRO Ref: HO/107/2049 Folio: 276 Page: 24 FHL Film:
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