

This is A Few Forgotten Women Story



This story was written, in February 2023, as one of a series resulting from the 'A Few Forgotten Women Friday' collaborative research project, investigating the lives of girls from Leeds, Girls' Industrial School, Yorkshire.

Emma Lockwood 1855

We don't know the offence that was committed by Emma to cause her to be admitted to the School because it isn't listed and the length of sentence or discharge date is also not listed.

Emma has not been given any specific offence. There are no records as to the behaviour & conduct for Emma, in later sentenced years, so it may be that Emma didn't stay in the home for very long? Or perhaps, that she might have been put there because they were struggling at home and maybe no other placements available? Although It's possible that she is the Emma Lockwood born in 1855 Hunslett. I will investigate this Emma as the said Girl.

It says that Emma was sent there on 30th January 1868 when she was 12 so this makes a DoB in the region of 1855/6.

I have not found her to be a sibling to Anne Lockwood, born 1860, who was also listed as a resident of the School, - but Emma could have been a cousin to Anne as her Father's sister married a William Crossland and it is possible that that is Anne Lockwood's Grandfather. Anne's stepmother was Sarah Kirk, and the Kirk name is found in several of the relations' names of Emma Lockwood's family – so there may be more than one connection of the two families but without doing more research and spending a considerable amount of time in building separating and joining the two families, I cannot confirm the absolute relationship. They are definitely not siblings.

I have looked at all the Emma Lockwoods that are listed as being born in 1855/56 and the closest match is Emma Lockwood born 19th May 1855 in Hunslet Leeds Yorkshire – as on the GRO listing. Mother's name Horner.

Her parents were John Richard Lockwood 1819 and Charlotte Fish 1822.

Charlotte's mother's maiden name was Fish but is listed as Horner on Emma's birth registration. Horner was her mother Charlotte's First Husband's name.

Emma's mother Charlotte's first marriage was on October 5th 1839, when she was just 17 – to William Horner age 23. Both were living at Horbury near Wakefield. They were married at the Parish Church of Wakefield in the County of York. William Horner is said to be of Full age, a Bachelor and a Comber. – His Father is David Horner, a Farmer. Charlotte is said to be a Minor, a Spinster working as a Servant and her father's name is William Fish, working as a Waterman.

They have two children – Henry in 1840 and Sarah in 1841. (These are Emma's half siblings). They are all together on the 1841 Census, when they are living in High Hoyland in Leeds. William Horner is working as a Woolcomber.

By 1850, Charlotte is a Widow and then marrying John Lockwood on 11th June 1850. They are married at the Parish Church of Huddersfield in the County of York. Charlotte is now 28, and on the marriage certificate marked as a Widow. The only address noted for them both is in Huddersfield. Charlotte's Father, William Fish is still working as a Waterman. John Lockwood is aged 31 when he gets married – He is a Bachelor, working as a Dyer. His father is said to be Deceased and was named as Thomas Lockwood.

On the 1851 Census, the family are living at 35 Nine Street, in Hunslet Leeds. The children are now aged Henry 11 and Sarah Anne aged 9. John Lockwood's occupation is not readable.

There is a birth that looks like it is the first child of John Lockwood and Charlotte – This is George Lockwood born in 1849, but he is not on the 1851 Census so after research, I find a death certificate for George also in 1849. I can't find any baptism for George but the mother's maiden name is Fish on the General Register Office listing.

The next child is Mary Jane Lockwood in 1852 on her Baptism, her father is said to be a Railway Porter. Then Hannah Elizabeth Lockwood is born in 1853 and Emma Lockwood is born in 1855. They are baptised together where their father is still a Railway Porter. This is the Emma that I am researching.

Afterwards, Albert Lockwood is born in 1857 and John Lockwood born in 1858. I found a death cert for John Lockwood in 1859 and Henry has left home before this Census, but on the 1861 Census, I find the family listed together at 88 Grape Street, in Hunslet Leeds. – By now Charlotte is a Widow so Emma's father John Lockwood has died before this time. Sarah Ann is working as a Flax Spinner and is 20, Mary Jane is 9, Elizabeth is 7 Emma is 5 and Albert is 4. The 4 younger children are all listed as Scholar's.

Emma is listed as being in the School in 1868. There is no amount of sentence listed in the book, but Emma is not with the family in the 1871 Census. – The family are living at 34 Mosdale Grove Hunslet Leeds. Charlotte is a Widow at the head of the family and running a Boarding House. She has Mary Jane 19, Elizabeth 17, and Albert 14 living with her. Mary Jane and Elizabeth are working in the Mill and Albert is in the Leather Trade.

So at this time, Emma was 16 and I thought she might still be in the school in 1871 because she had been admitted in 1868, but on the 1871 census I find that she is working as a Servant General Domestic, while at 304 Upperhead Road in Huddersfield, working for Richard and Martha Whilether and their 6 children. By 1881, the various children are spread about, but I don't find Emma to be living with her family at any point from here on.

There are several possible death dates for Emma's mother Charlotte - - - It seems it might be during the 1880's – I can't see an 1881 Census for her.

There are two Census with possible results of Emma Lockwood. -

On the 1881 census, I find Emma Lockwood still working as a Servant General Domestic, at 36 New North Road in Huddersfield. Emma is working for William and Alice Harrop, with their 2 children.

However – I also see a marriage on 19th May 1880, where there is Emma Lockwood marrying Matthew Henry Adams at St Peter's Church in the Parish of Leeds in the County of York. Both Emma and Matthew Henry are 23. He is a Bachelor from Skipton and she is a Spinster, giving her address as Lady Lane Leeds. Mathew is a Railway Inspector and his father is Benjamin Adams who is a Police Sergeant. Emma says her father is John Lockwood and is also a Railway Inspector. Neither parent is said to be deceased but neither of them sign as witness's. I will continue researching this Emma as the locations and dates fit in comfortably.

After marrying in 1880, I find both Emma and Matthew Henry (now calling himself just Henry,) on the 1881 Census, living at 40 Railway Terrace in Hellifield in the Hamlet of Ansford Co Newton – District of Settle. They have a Daughter Edith May age 2 months. Also living with them is Matthew's sister Clara age 11. I note that Matthew was born in Buckinghamshire.

By 1891, Emma and her family have moved to 7 Holmes Street Litchurch in Derby and she now has 7 children. Edith May, Maud Eveline, Helen Scott, Arthur George Harry, Ernest Lockwood, Frances Emma and Alice Mabel. I can't find any other children that might have died. Matthew is still noted to be a Railway Inspector.

On the 1901 Census, I see Emma visiting her daughters Helen Scott Adams with Alice Maud. – They are at Boar Lane Leeds. Helen is working as a Servant in a Hospital.

Emma's husband (now calling himself just Matthew,) is living at 4 Welfred Street in Derby. He has 4 of their children living with him. Maud, Arthur, Ernest, and Frances. He is still working as an inspector on the Railway.

By 1911 Emma seems to be living at 33 Northumberland Street in Huddersfield. – She says she is 55 and a Widow, but I also see Mathew Henry Adams living at 4 Wilfred Street in Derby. There are 2 of their children living with him. – Ernest Lockwood, and Frances Emma, as well as Florence Annie Slater who is listed as his sister in law. – He says he is still married and has only had 2 children, but the connections of age, places and profession between the Census's are obvious, so he may have interpreted the instructions of the Census as 'How many children do you have living with you at the moment!' Mathew is still working for the Railway and now his son Ernest is also a Traffic Controller for the Railway Company. – They may feel that this is appropriate to say they are Widow and for Matthew to still say he is Married, to explain why they are separated. The next most likely record that I find for Emma Lockwood is in 1928 when I see a death for Emma Lockwood in Leeds Yorkshire.

I have left the tree on Ancestry, and there is a considerable amount of extra research on there, with connected records for other's to access.

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GRO Birth Reg on Ancestry

https://search.ancestry.co.uk/cgi-bin/sse.dll?indiv=1&dbid=8912&h=19350731&ssrc=pt&tid=186814194&pid=142460016366&usePUB=true&_gl=1*11jcwo8*_gcl_dc*R0NMLjE2Nzc1Nzc0MTguMWI1Y2IxYzA1Y2VjMTk3ZGIwMTBkMjNkOTA0MjdjODE.*_ga*Nzk1MDEwNzY0LjE2Nzl4NjEwMzc.*_ga_4QT8FMEX30*MTY3NzY2OTI3NC44MC4xLjE2Nzc2Njk2MjYuMzluMC4w*_ga_B2YGR3SSMB*YTAxNmJiYmMtZjg2NS00MGU4LWJmZDktYzNmZTdkYzMwM2Q4LjEwOC4xLjE2Nzc2Njk2MDYuNTluMC4w

1939 Marriage Certificate for Charlotte Fish to William Horner on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/2253/images/32355_248845-01788?pld=18163464

1841 Census on Ancestry

<https://www.ancestry.co.uk/discoveryui-content/view/12604180:8978?ssrc=pt&tid=186814194&pid=142460017310>

1850 Marriage Cert for Charlotte Fish (Horner) to John Lockwood on Ancestry

<https://www.ancestry.co.uk/discoveryui-content/view/16787815:2253?ssrc=pt&tid=186814194&pid=142460017310>

1851 Census on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/8860/images/YRKHO1072318_2318-0416?pld=12398096

1861 Census on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/8767/images/WRYRG93363_3365-0559?pld=10435835

Baptism for Emma Lockwood on Ancestry

<https://www.ancestry.co.uk/discoveryui-content/view/4257106:2252?ssrc=pt&tid=186814194&pid=142460016366>

Shadwell Girls Reformatory on Ancestry

<https://www.ancestry.co.uk/discoveryui-content/view/8483:8633?ssrc=pt&tid=186814194&pid=142460016366>

1871 Census for Emma Lockwood on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/7619/images/WRYRG104366_4369-0338?pld=25669354

Marriage between Emma Lockwood and Matthew Henry Adams on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/2253/images/32355_249426-00576?pld=18800486

1881 Census for Emma Lockwood and Matthew Henry Adams on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/7572/images/WRYRG114295_4300-0855?pld=23708098

1891 Census for Emma Lockwood and Matthew Henry Adams on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/6598/images/DBYRG12732_2733-0551?pld=12814967

1901 Census for Emma Lockwood on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/7814/images/YRKRG134241_4243-0137?pid=27032588

1911 Census for Emma Lockwood on Ancestry

https://www.ancestry.co.uk/imageviewer/collections/2352/images/rg14_26291_0315_03?pid=38493641

Death for Emma Lockwood in 1928 Age 71 on Ancestry

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Grave Record on Ancestry for Emma Lockwood

<https://www.ancestry.co.uk/discoveryui-content/view/197187256:60526?ssrc=pt&tid=186814194&pid=142460016366>