

Family BP

The Jefcuts of London

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Introduction

Our knowledge of this family came from Jack Jefcut of West Wickam, Kent. He responded to one of our letters and was able to supply a family tree. Letters 436 and 457 refer.

The family tree starts with a John Jefcut who, from the marriage certificate of his son John, was shown to have been a springsmith. The spelling used by the family is probably the rarest form of the name in use today, as is shown in the telephone directory section of this book.

Jack says that family folklore said that the family originated from the north and that there was a Jack in every generation. The following list of Jefcuts was taken from our BMD register and it probably shows other members of this family. It is interesting to note how West Bromwich in the Midlands stops and Wandsworth takes over. More research is clearly required.

Births

1868	Samuel	W Bromwich	
1870	Ann	W Bromwich	
1872	Thomas	Wandsworth	
1875	Eliza	Wandsworth	died 1876
1881	Eliza Beatrice	Wandsworth	
1882	John Thomas	Wandsworth	
1884	William	Wandsworth	
1888	Samuel	Wandsworth	
1890	Lucy Mary	Wandsworth	
1891	Martha	Wandsworth	
1894	Edith	Wandsworth	
1895	Emma Fanny A	Wandsworth	
1896	Hilda Lucy	Wandsworth	
1897	Lily	Wandsworth	died 1897
1897	William James	Wandsworth	
1899	Frederick	Wandsworth	

Marriages

1860	Thomas	Dudley
1880	John	Wandsworth
1887	Elizabeth	Wandsworth
1887	Sarah	Wandsworth
1893	John	Birmingham
1894	Samuel	Wandsworth

Deaths

1876	William	Wandsworth	aged 13
1888	Lucy	Wandsworth	aged 52

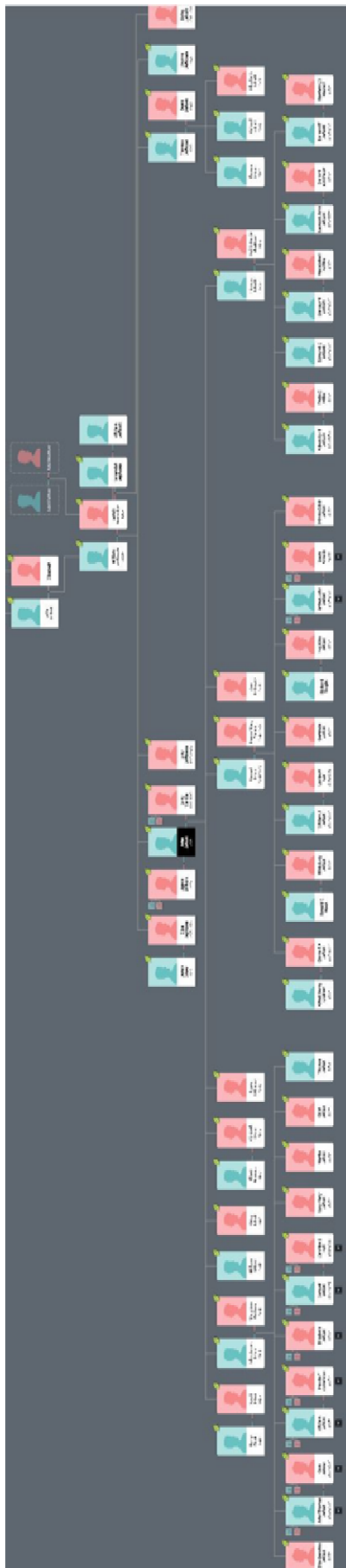
Since this account was printed in the book in 2000, we have expanded the family tree and our knowledge of the family, but have been unable to connect with another tree. See the gedcom version for up to date details.

We have been able to trace back to John and Elizabeth Jeffcott (variously spelled) who had a son named Nehemiah. He married Sara Guttridge in 1823 – not as Nehemiah, but as William. We have studied this closely and have come to the only conclusion that Nehemiah preferred to be known as William. Why? We have no idea. However, the evidence is clear; at least four of their children, Eliza 1825, Betsy 1830, Lucy 1833, John 1833, were baptised by their parents Nehemiah and Sarah. Yet, at least four of their children, John 9, Lucy 8, Thomas 3, Joseph 1, shown on the 1841 census, had parents that were William and Sarah. Nehemiah and William were both recorded as being miners.

A further oddity is that the other Nehemiah (a ribbon weaver), Family AL, married, for the second time, a Mary Jeffcott, who appears to have been the sister of our Nehemiah (a coal miner) in this family. Could that have been anything to do with Nehemiah the second choosing to be known by another name? We will never know, of course.

This is a photograph of 25 Tidmore Street, London SW. A grocer's shop run by one of Jack Jefcut's relations and his father's brother William. It appears that 'Uncle Bill' was a street bookmaker who used the premises as a 'front' (letter 895 refers).





This is the gedcom tree that shows the full extent of what we know. The small tree that we have printed here (on the following page) is from 2000, when we knew much less about the family. You will need to look at the gedcom to get the full information.

