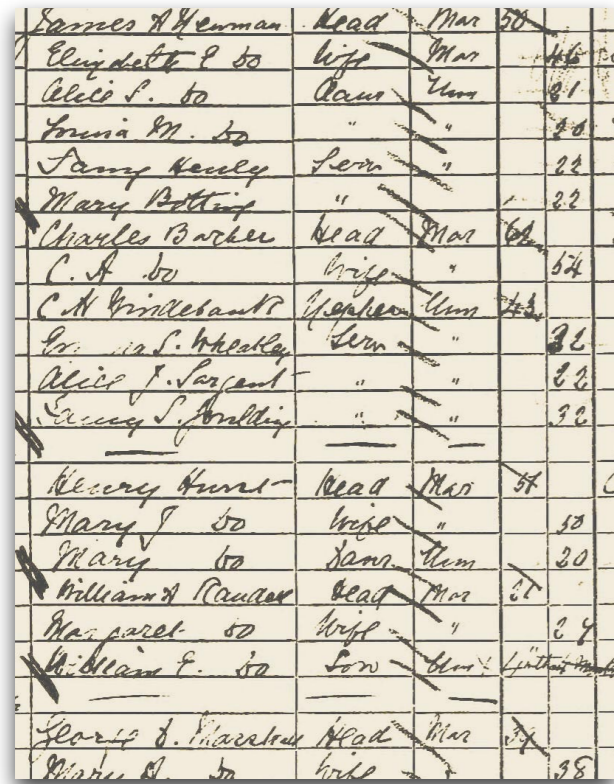


The story

Census Returns

Volunteers from The Regency Town House heritage centre have been searching through the local archives to find and photograph Census Returns and Street Directories.



James A Herman	Head	Mar	50
Elizabeth P	Wife	Mar	46
Alice P.	Daughter	Mar	21
Fanny M.	Son	"	10
Fanny Keuley	Serv	"	22
Mary Pottins	"	"	22
Charles Barker	Head	Mar	64
C. A.	Wife	"	54
C. A. Vindelandt	Upstairs	Mar	44
John S. Wreakley	Serv	"	36
Alice J. Varsant	"	"	28
Fanny J. Brilling	"	"	36
Henry Hunt	Head	Mar	54
Mary J.	Wife	"	50
Mary	Serv	Mar	20
William A. Rouse	Head	Mar	51
Margaret	Wife	"	48
William F.	Son	Mar	17
George J. Marsden	Head	Mar	54
William A.	Son	Mar	38

The aim is to complete a database of all the residents of Brighton and Hove between 1851 and 1911, this being the period for which accurate census data is available.

Transcription

Most of the early documents are hand written and can be extremely difficult to read, while computer systems struggle to make any sense of them at all.



Address	Name	Relationship	Sex	Age	Occupation
1 Queen's Gardens	Mr Oliver Weston	Head	Mar	M	26 Grocer & Clothier
	Mrs Hannah Weston	Wife	Mar	F	23
	Mr Stuart Beel	Son		M	7 months
2 Queen's Gardens	Mr Thomas Bunce	Head	Mar	M	70 Carpenter
	Mrs Mary Bunce	Wife	Mar	F	43 Upholstress
	Mrs Mary H. Bunce	Daughter	U	F	20 Dressmaker
	Mrs Sarah Bunce	Daughter	U	F	15
3 Queen's Gardens					
Coal Shed					
4 Queen's Gardens					
Furniture Shop					
5 Queen's Gardens	Mr John Stevens	Head	Mar	M	43 Builder & Furnitu
	Mrs Susan Stevens	Wife	Mar	F	42
	Mrs Maria Stevens	Daughter		F	12
	Mr John Stevens	Son		M	5
6 Queen's Gardens	Mr John Hardingham	Head	Mar	M	56 Cordwainer Boot
	Mrs Ann Hardingham	Wife	Mar	F	63
	Mr George Shelly	Nurse Child		M	10
	Mr Joseph Cook	Head	Mar	M	34 Butcher
	Mrs Susan Cook	Wife	Mar	F	36
	Mrs Francis Cook	Daughter		F	9
	Mrs Eliza Cook	Daughter		F	4
	Mr Thomas Callard	Head	U	M	32 Carpenter
	Mr James Preen	Head	Mar	M	39 Porter
7 Queen's Gardens	Mr Henry Wert	Head	Mar	M	27 Beer Shop Keepe
	Mrs Maria Wert	Wife	Mar	F	29
	Mrs Hannah M. Wert	Daughter		F	4
	Mr Harry G. Wert	Son		M	2
	Mrs Ellen E. Wert	Daughter		F	8 months
	Mrs Mary Martin	Servant	U	F	18 House Servant
8 Queen's Gardens	Mr Edward Peattitt	Head	Mar	M	28 Wine Porter
	Mrs Charlotte Peattitt	Wife	Mar	F	26
	Mrs Eliza Peattitt	Daughter		F	5
9 Queen's Gardens	Mr Thomas Tucker	Head	Mar	M	47 Pensioner, Army
	Mrs Margaret Tucker	Wife	Mar	F	37
	Mrs Elizabeth Tucker	Daughter		F	10 Scholar
	Mrs Ellen Tucker	Daughter		F	7
	Mrs Matilda Tucker	Daughter		F	1
	Mr Thomas Naseley	Head	U	M	23 Railway Servant
	Mr John Brooker	Lodger	U	M	24 Railway Servant
	Mr George Newitt	Head	Mar	M	37 Painter
	Mrs Mary Newitt	Wife	Mar	F	25
10 Queen's Gardens	Mr Isaac Medhurst	Head	Mar	M	27 Blacksmith
	Mrs Eliza Medhurst	Wife	Mar	F	32
	Mr John Bishop	Head	Mar	M	51 Tailor
	Mrs Sarah Bishop	Wife	Mar	F	57
	Mrs Sarah Jane Bishop	Daughter	U	F	23 Dressmaker
	Mr George Bishop	Son	U	M	20 Hair Dresser
	Mr Charles Bishop	Son	U	M	17 Printer
11 Queen's Gardens	Mr William Gullford	Head	Mar	M	30 Ironmongers Sho
	Mrs Mary Gullford	Wife	Mar	F	33

Dozens of volunteers and students have transcribed the photographs of these hand-written source documents into structured data that can now be accessed on the web.

Exhibition

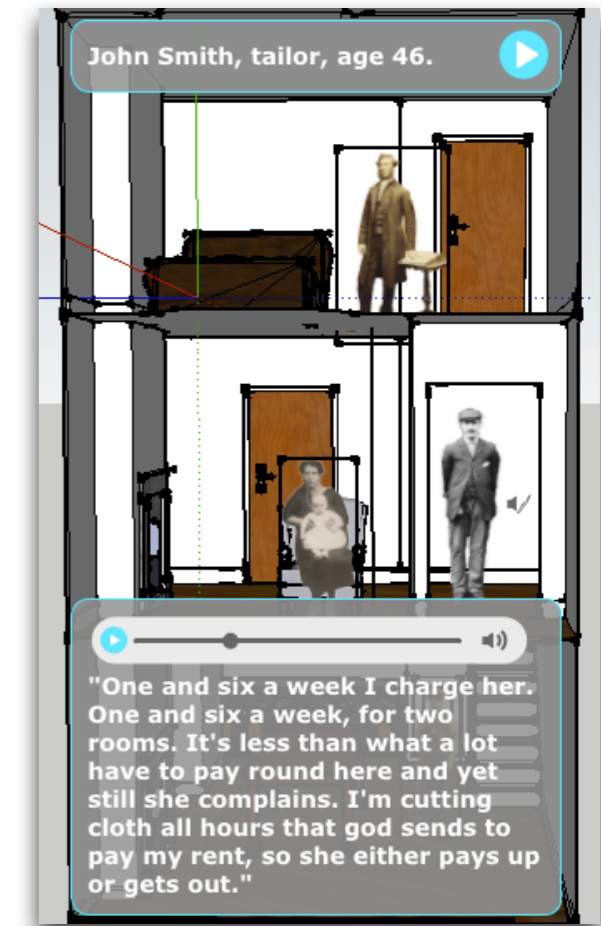
Each September since 2008 volunteers have organised tours of the North Laine, as well as street exhibitions where posters listing past occupants are displayed on each house.



By focusing on history at such an intimate level we aim to encourage an interest in local heritage and motivate people to take part in decisions that affect their neighbourhood.

VisAge

This year we are field-testing the prototype of VisAge, a new way to visualize social history data of past ages.



To find out more about VisAge and our other history projects see our MyHouseMyStreet website www.mhms.org.uk, or visit the Town House site at: www.rth.org.uk.