

Irish PIDGEONS of Liverpool and Birkenhead, Cheshire

James Pidgeon came from King's County (now County Offaly), Ireland about 1836 or '37 with his wife Ellen and daughter Julia Maria. They settled in Liverpool, Lancashire, but Ellen died in 1854. After remarrying, James and his family moved south across the River Mersey, in about 1860, to settle in Birkenhead, Cheshire. James fathered seven daughters, so the Pidgeon name has died out.

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Notes: ab. = about, b. = born, bp. = baptised, bu. = buried, d. = died, m. = married, (+) = extramarital relationship
Places in italics = Registration districts

William PIDGEON () Husbandman
m.() ? ?

- **James PIDGEON** (b.ab.1811, King's Co.* Ireland – d.1875, 59y, Birkenhead) Labourer, Grocer, Publican, Boarding house keeper
: m1.(King's Co.* Ireland) **Ellen HUSSEY** (b.ab.1813, King's Co.* Ireland – d.22/1/1854, 43y, Liverpool)
| **1841:** at Oriel St, Liverpool – James & Ellen; Julia, Rosann, Mary
| **1851:** at 60 Chisenhale St, Liverpool – James & Ellen; Julia + 1 servant, 3 lodgers (all from King's Co)
- **Julia Maria PIDGEON** (b.ab.1835, King's Co.* Ireland – d.)
| m.(1855, Liverpool) **John McKENNA** or **John FLATTEREY**
- **Rosannah PIDGEON** (b.1838, *Liverpool* – d.1847, 8y, *Liverpool*)
- **Maria PIDGEON** (b.1840, *Liverpool* – d.1842, 2y, *Liverpool*)
- **Ellen PIDGEON** (b.1843, *Liverpool* – d.1848, 4y, *Liverpool*)
:
- m2.(6/4/1856, Liverpool) **Margaret HOLLAND** (née **KEELEY**) (b.ab.1822, Ireland – d.1906, 80y, Birkenhead)
| **1861:** at 1 George St, Birkenhead – James & Margaret; Margaret A, Rosana, Mary A
| + Mary (44, sister) + John HOLLAND (11, stepson)
| **1871:** at 336 Rice St, Birkenhead – James & Margt; Mary
| **1881:** at 246 Beckwith St, Birkenhead – Margaret (wid); Mary PIDGEON + Susan DAWSON (sister)
| + 3 boarders
| **1901:** at 75 Old Bidston Rd, Birkenhead – Margaret (wid, with Francis J & Margaret A CONROY & family)
- **Margaret Ann PIDGEON** (b.8/1/1857, Liverpool – d.1934, 77y, *Birkenhead*)
| m.(13/4/1875, Birkenhead) **Francis James CONROY** (b.11/4/1855, Birkenhead – d.1965, 80y, *Birkenhead*) Church Sexton, Ironworks Foreman
| **1881:** at 127 Old Bidston Road, Cloughton with Grange, Ches – Francis & Margaret; Edward, Clotilda, Joseph V
| **1891:** at 31 St Mary St, Birkenhead – Francis & Margaret; Edward, Clotilda F, Joseph V, Ellen A, Francis J, Margaret M, Gertrude
| **1901:** at 75 Old Bidston Rd, Birkenhead – Francis J & Margaret A; Margaret M, Gertrude, Winifred, Dorothy + Margaret PIDGEON (mother-in-law)
| **1911:** at 412 Beckwith St, Birkenhead – Francis J & Margaret; Margaret, Winifred, Dorothy
| [9/12 ch alive] + boarder
- **Edward Francis CONROY** (b.1876, Birkenhead – d.1939, 60y, *N Manchester*)
| m.(1900, Gibraltar) **Gertrude QUIROS** (b.ab.1880, Casares, Spain – d.1958, 79y, *Lancaster*)
| **1911:** at Gibraltar with 6 Co^y Royal Garrison Artillery – Edward (Corporal)
| at Gibraltar (6 Co^y RGA) – Gertrude; Frances Edward, Helen, Blanche, Edward,
| [6/6 ch alive] Gertrude, Mabel Hortense
- **Francis Edward CONROY** (b.15/7/1901, Gibraltar – d.1979, 78y, *Warrington*)
- **Helen CONROY** (b.1902, Gibraltar – d.)
| (+) ? ?
| L **Sybil CONROY** (b.1924, *Birkenhead* –)
| m.(1955, Wallasey) **Richard Karl Theodore JOSEPH** (b.19/1/1919, Newport, Mon –
| → **Stella JOSEPH** d.1981, 62y, *Wallasey*)
- **Blanche CONROY** (b.ab.1904, Gibraltar – d.)
- **Edward CONROY** (b.1905, E Tilbury, Essex – d.)
- **Gertrude Margaret CONROY** (b.1907, Shoeburyness, Essex – d.)
- **Mabel Hortense CONROY** (b.ab.1908, Gibraltar – d.)
- **Theresa W CONROY** (b.1915, Birkenhead – d.)

- **Freda CONROY** (b.1920, *Birkenhead* – d.) }
 - **Geoffrey CONROY** (b.1920, *Birkenhead* – d.) } [Twins]
 - **Cynthia E CONROY** (b.1922, *Birkenhead* – d.) }
 - **Clotilda Frances CONROY** (b.1879, *Birkenhead* – d.)
m.(1907, *Birkenhead*) **Henry SMITH** (b.1878, *Hoylake* – d.)
 - **Joseph Vincent CONROY** (b.1880, *Birkenhead* – d.)
 - **Ellen Agnes CONROY** (b.1882, *Birkenhead* – d.1962, 79y, *Birkenhead*)
m.(1901, *Birkenhead*) **John James KAVANAGH** (b.1874, *Birkenhead* – d.1947, 72y, *Birkenhead*)
 - **Francis James CONROY** (b.1885, *Birkenhead* – d.)
 - **Margaret Mary CONROY** (b.1887, *Birkenhead* – d.1962, 75y, *Birkenhead*)
m.(1912, *Birkenhead*) **Thomas LOUGHRAN** (b. – d.1935, 46y, *Birkenhead*)
 - **Gertrude CONROY** (b.1888, *Birkenhead* – d.)
m.(1909, *Birkenhead*) **James Kendrew LOWLES or Frederick SMITH** (b. – d.) Margaret
 - **Winifred CONROY** (b.1891, *Birkenhead* – d.)
 - **Elizabeth CONROY** (b.1893, *Birkenhead* – d.1893, 0y, *Birkenhead*)
 - **Mary Josephine CONROY** (b.1894, *Birkenhead* – d.1898, 3y, *Birkenhead*)
 - **Dorothy CONROY** (b.1896, *Birkenhead* – d.)
m.(1917, *Birkenhead*) **Matthew CAREY** (b. – d.)
 - **George Clement CONROY** (b.1898, *Birkenhead* – d.1898, 0y, *Birkenhead*)
- **Rose Ann PIDGEON** (b.1858, *Liverpool* – d.1943, 84y, *Warrington*)
 - : 1871: at 33 St Mary's St, *Birkenhead* – Rose (servant to Joseph DALEY, Roman Catholic Priest)
 - m.(1879, *Warrington*) **John Henry TURNER** (b.1859, *Warrington* – d.1920, 62y, *Warrington*)
Commercial Traveller
 - 1881: at 32 Tanners Lane, *Warrington* – John Henry & Rose; Edith, Florence
 - 1891: at 28 Golbourne St, *Warrington* – John Henry & Rose; Edith, Florence, William, Joseph,
John Harold, Gertrude, Lucy, Charles
 - 1901: at 123 Knutsford Rd, *Warrington* – John Henry & Rose; Florence, Joseph, John Harold,
Gertrude, Lucy, Charles, Mary + boarder
 - 1911: at 57 Lovely Lane, *Warrington* – John Henry & Rose; William, Lucy, Charles, Margaret Lilian
[9/12 ch alive] + Agnes, Justina, Wilfred (nieces, nephew)
 - **Edith TURNER** (b.1880, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **Florence TURNER** (b.1881, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **Mary Elizabeth TURNER** (b.1882, *Warrington* – d.1893, 0y, *Warrington*)
 - **William TURNER** (b.1883, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **Joseph TURNER** (b.1884, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **John Harold TURNER** (b.1885, *Warrington* – d.1908, 22y, *Warrington*)
 - **Gertrude TURNER** (b.1887, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **Lucy TURNER** (b.1889, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **Charles TURNER** (b.1890, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **May TURNER** (b.1892, *Warrington* – d.)
 - **Thomas Bernard TURNER** (b.1895, *Warrington* – d.1896, 1y)
 - **Margaret Lilian TURNER** (b.1901, *Warrington* – d. , 22y, *Warrington*)
- **Mary PIDGEON** (b.13/3/1861, *Birkenhead* – d.1943, 83y, *Birkenhead*)
m.(25/2/1884, *Birkenhead*) **John WISE** (b.ab.1861, *Ireland* – d.1966, 72y, *Birkenhead*) Plumber
 - 1891: at 39 Wellesley St, *Birkenhead* – John & Mary; John, William
 - 1901: at 31 St Mary's St, *Birkenhead* – John & Mary; John, William, Philip
 - 1911: at 31 St Mary's St, *Birkenhead* – John & Mary; John, William, Philip
[3/4 ch alive]
 - **John WISE** (b.1888, *Birkenhead* – d.) Plumber
 - **William James WISE** (b.1890, *Birkenhead* – d.) Plumber
 - **Joseph WISE** (b.1891, *Birkenhead* – d.1891, 0y, *Birkenhead*)
 - **Philip WISE** (b.1894, *Birkenhead* – d.) Plumber
- **Mary PIDGEON** (b.ab.1816, *Ireland* – d.) Hawker, Barmaid
 - 1851: at Lower Rd, *Stourbridge*, *Worcs* – Mary ??
 - 1861: at 1 George St, *Birkenhead* – Mary (with brother James & family)

* **King's County**, an inland county, Ireland, province of Leinster; area 493,985 acres, of which 351,495 are arable. A large portion of the N. and N.E. part is covered with the Bog of Allen, and the S. with the Slieve Bloom Mountains. Limestone occurs in the N.W., and has been quarried. The soil is in some places very rich, but in others it is light and gravelly; at an average, it may be reckoned of a medium degree of fertility. The principle produce is oats, wheat and potatoes, with no manufactures. King's County returns two members to parliament. The county town is Tullamore. Pop (1901), 60,129.

Tullamore, a town, King's County, Leinster, Ireland, on the Clodagh river, 58 miles west of Dublin. There are two breweries, a large distillery, aerated mineral-water works, &c. Pop. 4522.

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After independence in 1921, King's County was renamed County Offaly, after the ancient Kingdom of Ui Failghe.