

1851 census - encampment of vans in Hills Yard, All Saints,
Wandsworth, Surrey

Transcribed by Anne Lane

CARAVAN 1

ELIZABETH COLLISON, Head, widow, 54, Pedlaress, born Kent

JANE COLLISON, daughter, 19, Nurse, born Sussex.

RICHARD COLLISON, son, 16, Jobber, born Brighton, Sussex.

FRAYTON COLLISON, son, 13, Drover, born Brighton, Sussex.

CARAVAN 2

THOMAS SMITH, Head, 62, Licensed Hawker, born Kent.

PATIENCE SMITH, Wife, 61, no occupation listed, born
Lamberhurst, Kent.

ANN BEDWELL, Servant, 15, General Assistant, born Lambeth, Surrey.

CARAVAN 3

EDWARD SMITH, Head, 38, Licensed Hawker, born Maidstone, Kent.

PATIENCE SMITH, Wife, 38, no occupation listed, born Hythe, Kent.

CAROLINE SMITH, daughter, 15, born Deal, Kent.

PATIENCE SMITH, daughter, 13, born Moulsey, Surrey.

HENRY SMITH, son, 11, born Norwich, Norfolk.

BETSY SMITH, daughter, 9, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

SAMUEL SMITH, son, 7, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

CHARLOTTE SMITH, daughter, 4, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

CARAVAN 4

JOSEPH CHAPMAN, Head, 34, Licensed Hawker, born Buxted, Sussex.

ELIZABETH CHAPMAN, Wife, 34, no occupation listed, born Lewes, Sussex.

PATIENCE CHAPMAN, daughter, 8, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

BETSY CHAPMAN, daughter, 4, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

CARAVAN 5

THOMAS SMITH, Head, 40, Licensed Hawker, born St Mary, Kent.

AMY SMITH, Wife, 36, Licensed Hawker, born Crawley, Sussex.

REBECCA SMITH, daughter, 18, Assistant, born Cheriton, Kent.

THOMAS SMITH, son, 14, Dealer, born Yalding, Kent.

MARY. A. SMITH, daughter, 12, born Eltham, Kent.

JAMES SMITH, son, 6, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

CHARITY SMITH, daughter, 3, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

JOHN LEACH, Servant, 13, Attendant, born Garrett Lane, Surrey.

CARAVAN 6

HENRY GESS, Head, 40, Licensed Hawker, born Pagham, Sussex.

REBECCA GESS, Wife, 36, Hawker, born Selmeston, Sussex.

HENRY GESS, son, 16, Hawker, born Bletchingly, Sussex.

THOMAS GESS, son, 14, born Chatham, Kent.

AMY GESS, daughter, 12, born Maidstone, Kent.

REBECCA GESS, daughter, 11, born Ipswich, Suffolk.

PATIENCE GESS, daughter, 9, born Brighton, Sussex.

PHOEBE GESS, daughter, 6, born Wandsworth, Surrey.

Additional family history notes from the transcriber: Many members of the Gess family went on to become Travelling Showfolk, touring the country with menageries, boxing booths and rides/gallopers.