

NAME	BORN	WHERE	DIED	WHERE		
POUND, John Charles	1833, 28 Nov	Sittingbourne, Kent	1918, 25 October	Sheffield, Yorks.		
HMS Algiers, Able Seaman			Aged 84			

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Census Year: 1841	Address	Lion Yard, Sittingbourne, Kent				Ref. HO107/475. folio 6. p27
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
	Ann Pound		60	?Shoe Maker?	Born in county	
	Maria Pound		30		"	Pound's mother?
	Mary Ann Pound		20		"	
	John Pound		7		"	

1849 Coasting Vessels
January 1851, Joined Navy

Census Year: 1851	Address	Lion Yard, Sittingbourne, Kent				Ref. HO107/1627. folio 179. p21
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
	Maria Pound	Unm	39	Charwoman	Sittingbourne, Kent	Pound's mother?
	Mary A Pound	Sister	Unm	30	"	

August 1856, discharged from Navy
14 September 1857, joined London Fire Engine Establishment under James Braidwood
Marriage reg. S1858, John Pound & Charlotte Daily, West London, Mx

Census Year: 1861	Address	84 Waterloo Road, Lambeth, London, Surrey. Fire Engine Station				Ref. RG9/349. folio 175. p25
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
	John Pound	Mar	27	Fireman	Sittingbourne, Kent	
	Charlotte Pound	Wife	Mar	21	St James, Mx	
	Rosina Pound	Daug	Unm	1	St Sepulchre, Mx	

17 July 1867, appointed Assistant Superintendent & Engineer, Nottingham Fire Brigade
15 July 1869, appointed Superintendent of Sheffield Corporation Fire Brigade

Census Year: 1871	Address	114 Barkers Pool, Sheffield, Yorks. Fire Engine Station				Ref. RG10/4678. folio 85. p30
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
	John Pound	Mar	37	Superintendent, Fire Brigade	Sittingbourne, Kent	
	Charlotte Pound	Wife	Mar	31	St James, Mx	
	John Pound	Son	Unm	7	Scholar	St John, Surrey
	Alice Pound	Daug	Unm	5	"	Lambeth, Surrey
	Minnie Pound	Daug	Unm	2		Nottingham, Notts.
	Walter Pound	Son	Unm	4mth		Sheffield, Yorks.
	Mary Daily	Mother in law	Wid	64		Fordham, Cambs.

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Census Year: 1881	Address Court 2, house 2, Balm Street, Sheffield, Yorks.					Ref. RG11/4643. folio 70. p16
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
John C Pound	Head	Mar	47	Superintendent, Fire Brigade	Sittingbourne, Kent	
Charlotte Pound	Wife	Mar	41		St James, Mx	
John Pound	Son	Unm	17	Unemployed	Bermondsey, Surrey	
Alice Pound	Daug	Unm	16	"	Lambeth, Surrey	
Walter Pound	Son	Unm	10	Scholar	Sheffield, Yorks.	
Herbert Pound	Son	Unm	8	"	"	
Arthur Pound	Son	Unm	6	"	"	
Florence Pound	Daug	Unm	4		"	
Bertha Pound	Daug	Unm	2		"	

Census Year: 1891	Address Fire Engine Station, Rockingham Street, Sheffield, Yorks.					Ref. RG12/3815. folio 120. p10
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
John C Pound	Head	Mar	57	Superintendent, Fire Brigade	Sittingbourne, Kent	
Charlotte Pound	Wife	Mar	51		London	
Walter Pound	Son	Unm	20	Turner & Fitter, Steel Works	Sheffield, Yorks.	
Herbert Pound	Son	Unm	18	Copper Place Printer	"	
Arthur Pound	Son	Unm	16	Cabinet Case Maker	"	
Flora Pound	Daug	Unm	14		"	
Bertha Pound	Daug	Unm	12	Scholar	"	
Leonard Pound	Son	Unm	8	"	"	

1895 Retired from Fire Brigade

Death reg. M1901, Charlotte Pound, aged 61, Ecclesall Bierlow, Sheffield, Yorks.

Census Year: 1901	Address 37 Onslow Road, Sheffield, Yorks.					Ref. RG13/4352. folio 58. p24
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
John C Pound	Head	Wid	67	Retired Superintendent, Fire Brigade	Sittingbourne, Kent	
Flora Pound	Daug	Unm	24		Sheffield, Yorks.	
Leonard Pound	Son	Unm	18	Blacksmith, Striker	"	worker
William M Smith	Cousin	Unm	32	Horsekeeper, Groom	LLwynderw? Wales	Worker

Census Year: 1911	Address 37 Onslow Road, Sheffield, Yorks.					Ref. RG14/27791/ ED13
	Title	Status	Age	Occupation	Where Born	Comments
John C Pound	Head	Wid	77	Pensioned Supt, Fire Brigade	Sittingbourne, Kent	
Bertha Pound	Daug	Unm	32		Sheffield, Yorks.	
Leonard Pound	Son	Unm	29	Letter Stamper, Post Office	"	

He died on 25 October 1918, aged 84, 69 Tullibardine Road, Sheffield, Yorkshire.

Probate to Walter Pound, Mechanical Engineer, & Bertha Pound, spinster. £615. 8s. 9d. Buried Sheffield General Cemetery

Fire Engine Station
Sheffield

I was born on the 28 of November 1833 at Sittingbourne in Kent.

In 1849 I went to sea in a Coasting Vessel belonging to Milton near Sittingbourne trading to Hartlepool. In January 1851 I joined HM Ship Ocean as a first class boy. From her I was transferred to the Waterloo and from her to the London. In July 1852 I was sent to the Meander Frigate 44 guns fitting out at Chatham to relieve the Easton Frigate at the Cape of Good Hope under the command of Capt Charles Talbot. We arrived there in November 1852 calling at Madeira & Rio de Janeiro [sic]. In April 54 owing to the Russian War breaking out we were ordered home to Plymouth to man the Algiers a 91 gun Screw Line of Battleship. When ready for sea we were ordered to Sheerness to fit up for carrying troops. When ready we went to Calais to take in the 48th French regiment to go up to the Baltic. On arriving we landed them, and all our boats went to Bomansund under the command of Sir Charles Napier. After bombarding the forts it was taken with 2000 prisoners. They were divided into 4 ships and brought home to England. The Algiers brought home 450 and put them on board of an old Hulk at Sheerness. From there we went to Plymouth to refit for the Crimea. We arrived out in the Crimea 3 days before the battle of Balaklava was fought in which our own Marines and 200 Supernumerarys that we took out took part. I was at the taking of Kursh and went up the Sea of Azoff in Boats destroying Hay & Corn and taking of Vessels loaded with Corn for which I received some prize money 10 years after. Our ship was engaged in the bombardment of Sebastopol and Kimburn[?] and were then ordered to Malta to refit as our decks leaked very much after the heavy Gale we encountered in the Black Sea. We had our Christmas Dinner in Malta, and our captain Charles Talbot being promoted to Admiral we were ordered home. Arrived home at Portsmouth in the early part of 1856. We were paid off and allowed 6 weeks leave and to ? to the Victory Nelson's old ship. After returning from leave I joined the ? Gun Boat 2 guns fitting out in Portsmouth to go to Cronstolt[?], but peace was proclaimed before we started. Our Gunboat took part in the Grand Review at Spithead. The Queen came down to inspect the Fleet.

In August 1856 I obtained my discharge from the Navy as A B with the Baltic Crimea and Turkish Medals. After being at home a few weeks I joined the Robert Lowe Mail Boat bound to Calcutta calling at the Cape of Good Hope ? Ceylon and Madras. Shortly after I arrived at Calcutta I was taken ill with a Fever and the ship sailed for England and left me in the Hospital. After I got better I joined the Tynemouth Castle 800 ton Sailing Ship bound to London with Hides, Indigo, Sugar, Rice, etc. We left Calcutta on the 13 of March 1857 and arrived at the London Dock on August 2nd, four months and half and only sighted land once being short of Water and Provisions.

On the 14th of September 1857 I joined the London Fire Engine Establishment under Mr James Braidwood. I attended many large fires, two at the London Dock, one of which was a Warehouse stored with many tons of Saltpetre which blew the Building down, the other was in the Vaults. There were 50 casks of Brandy destroyed and 20 Firemen Drunk with the fumes from the Brandy and 8 doctors attending them. In 1859 I was sent by Mr Braidwood on the South Eastern Railway with an Engine Driver to learn to drive an Engine. In 1860 I was promoted to Engineer in charge of the Floating Engine on the River. I had charge of the first Steam Fire Engine built by Shane & Mason for the London Fire Engine Establishment. I was present at the large fire in Tooley Street in 1861 when Mr Braidwood was killed. In 1864 I took charge of the South Western Railway Fire Brigade.

On July 17th 1867 I was appointed Assit. Supt & Engineer to the Nottingham Brigade to take charge of their? first? Steam Engine. On the 15 of July 1869 I was appointed Supt. of the Sheffield Corporation Fire Brigade. Previous to my appointment there were three Brigades under the Insurance offices, the Alliance, Royal and the Liverpool London & Globe. Each office gave the Corporation one old Manual Engine Hose etc. I had to form a new Brigade with 15 young constables. Our station was then in Norfolk Street opposite Milk Street and for eleven months the Men lived where they could. Many of them lived at Spital Hill. When a fire occurred at night I had to call them off their Beats with a Whistle. In the day time I had to pick up any Constable I could find. I had many difficulties to contend with. The first fire I attended was on the 29th of July 1869 at a Cabinet Case Makers in Arundel Street when I had to wait 15 minutes for Water, it being the day before the Corporation compeled the Water Company to give a Constant supply and on Sept. 1st the water was turned off at night until Dec 13 1869 and again on August 1st until Oct 17th 1870 when I had to insist on a Turncock being in attendance at the Fire Station to turn the water on in case of fire. In 1870 the Committee took a lease of eleven houses in Holly Street & Balm Green and put Electric Bells in them and the men removed into them on the 14 of May 1870, and on the 18 of June the Engines were removed to Barker[sic] Pool, the old Weights & Measures office now Hoylands Pianofort[sic] Shop. In 1874

Hosereels and Fire Extinguishing Apparatus was placed at each of the 4 Divisional Stations viz Attercliffe, Broomhill, Highfields & Langsett Road and in 1876 a Hosereel was placed at Burngreave Road Station.

For 4 years the Brigade had to drag the Engines by hand as we could not get Horses from the Angel Yard in Angel Street in any reasonable time, but on the 20th of September 1873 I received a call for a fire in Fulwood. We had to wait 45 minutes for Horses, before we started. A[sic] Alderman and several Reporters came to the Station and the next day there was a long report in the Newspaper, and after the next Council meeting two horses were purchased, but we had no stabling for them. They had to stand at the Angel Inn Moorhead. The Committee then took a lease of a Stable & Coachhouse in Backfields for 10 years. Then our Horses commenced to Work with the Prison Van and Cart Coal to all the Police Stations.

I have had many narrow Escapes. One on the 9th of September 1871 at a fire in Reed? Street off Broomhall Street at Nixon and Winterbottom, Cutlery Manufacturers. The Roof & Floor fell in and buried me and Sergt. Bird in the Ruins. I crawled out between the joist? and Rafters and assisted Sergt. Bird on to a Wall where ladders were brought for us to get down. I had rather a severe cut on my right Arm which cut through my Coat & under clothing to the Bone. Sergt. Bird escaped with a few scratches.

On 18th 6 the Corporation purchased the first Steam Engine & on December 20th 1883 the Brigade removed into the new Station in Rockingham Street and exchanged an old Manual Engine for a Four Wheel Tender. On January 1st 1884 the Corporation purchased the second Steam Engine and on June 23rd 1894 they exchanged another Manual Engine for the third Steam Engine. On January 19th 1895, 5 Kingston Fire Escapes were purchased for the Divisional Station.

The Brigade now consists of 1 Superintendent, 1 Sergeant, 3 Engineers and 15 Firemen, 3 Steam Fire Engines, 1 Manual Engine, 2 Tenders, 5 Horses, 3 Telescope Fire Escapes, 1 Four Wheel Escape & Tender combined. The Divisional Stations have 1 Kingston, 1 Hose Cart, Hose & Standpipes at each Station. Total length of Hose 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles 250 yards.

John Charles Pound
Supt.

1841 Census, Sittingbourne, Kent, aged 7 with grandmother?, Shoe Maker?, poss. Mother, all born in Kent

4 August 1858, he married Charlotte Daily, St Bride, Fleet Street, Sheffield

1861 Census, Fire Engine Station, 84 Waterloo Road, Waterloo, London, Fireman, with wife Charlotte, daughter.

1871 Census, Fire Engine Station, 114 Barkers Pool, Sheffield, Superintendent, Fire Brigade, with wife Charlotte, 4 children, mother in law.

1881 Census, Court 2, House 2, Balm Green, Sheffield, Superintendent, Fire Brigade, with wife Charlotte, 7 children.

1891 Census, Fire Engine Station, Rockingham Street, Sheffield, Superintendent, Fire Brigade, with wife Charlotte & 6 children.

1901 & 1911 Census, 37 Onslow Road, Sheffield, Retired Fire Brigade Superintendent, widower

Died 25 October 1918, aged 84, 69 Tullibardine Road, Sheffield.

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Buried General Cemetery