

Wilson, of Eshton.

MATHEW WILSON, Esq., Merchant and Blackwell Hall* Factor, of Coleman Street, in the city of London, son of Robert and Alice Wilson, of Brigsteare, in the parish of Heversham, co. Westmoreland, settled this family at Eshton, by purchasing the hall, estate, and manor, together with the estate of Nether Heselden, in the parish of Arnecliffe, of Sir Robert Bindloss, Bart., of Borick Hall, co. Lancaster. The conveyance is dated January 21st, 1646. Mathew Wilson came to reside at Eshton Hall May 30th, 1648; died in London November, 1656; and was buried at St. Mary's, Abchurch.

JOHN (godson of Mathew) of Eshton Hall, Esq., suffered a recovery February, 1668. During his minority Captain Backhouse, of Yellands, county of Lancaster, and his wife, Agnes, sister of Mathew Wilson, resided at Eshton (afterwards at Nether Heselden), left to them by will. In 1686 Thomas Hammond, of Thresfield Hall, died, and was buried at Linton 27th March; by his will he left his estates to John Wilson. Thomas Hammond had married, first, Elizabeth, eldest sister of Mathew Wilson; second, Mary, daughter of Henry Curre, Esq., of Kildwick Hall, buried at Linton 10th April, 1680; and lastly, Sarah Bateson, who survived him. In 1700 John resigned Eshton to his eldest son Mathew, and passed the remainder of his life at Thresfield Hall, where he died intestate, and was buried at Gargrave on the 10th May, 1706.

DOROTHY Buried at Gargrave October 19th, 1684.

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1. MATHEW WILSON, of Eshton Hall, educated at Trinity College, Cambridge; married at Linton Church 28th June, 1699; buried at Gargrave 12th November, 1717. ANNE, daughter of Timothy Blackburne, of Grinton, by Catherine, daughter of Roger Colville, of Fremington, in Swaledale, Esq. Buried at Gargrave 13th March, 1722-3. DOROTHY. Buried at Gargrave 19th January, 1673. 2. JOHN. Baptised at Gargrave 1st, and buried there 7th November, 1678. 3. FRANCIS WILSON, baptised at Gargrave 27th February, 1680, of Thresfield Hall; afterwards he bought Crow Nest, in the parish of Clapham. Died at Kilmsey, in Kettlewell Dale, Dec. 1712. Dorothy, his sole daughter and heiress, married Thomas Bouser, of Bishop Auckland, Esq. MARGARET, daughter of Anthony Sparke, of Bishop Auckland, Esq. DOROTHY WILSON, baptised at Gargrave 6th February, 1681; married there 17th May, 1701; buried there 3rd June, 1708. She had six sons, who all died s. p. ANNE WILSON, baptised at Gargrave 18th April, 1683; married at Linton 9th April, 1706; had issue, but all died young except Dorothy, who married Samuel Dunn, of Howden, Esq. JOHN TENNANT, of Chapel House, in the parish of Burnal, Esq. He afterwards married, as second wife, Jane Serjeantson.

*In Foster's Pedigree Anne Wilson is said to have married for her first husband Samuel Dunn, and John Tennant as second husband.

ARMS.—Sable, a wolf rampant or, gorged with a collar gemel of the field, between four mullets of six points, three in chief and one in base of the second. CREST.—A demi-wolf or, gorged with a collar gemel sable, and resting the sinister paw on an escutcheon of the last, charged with a mullet as the arms.



1. JOHN, baptised at Gargrave 10th April, 1705, and buried there 2nd May following. 2. MATHEW WILSON, of Eshton Hall, Esq., baptised at Gargrave 14th October, 1706, Fellow Commoner of Trinity College, Cambridge. Died 27th March, 1769, and buried at Gargrave. MARGARET, daughter of Henry Wigglesworth, of Slaiburn, Esq., by his first wife, Anne, daughter and co-heiress of John Crombacke, of Wiswall, near Whalley, Esq., by his wife Anne, daughter and heiress of John Briggs, of Sawley, Esq. The other co-heiress, Margaret, was second wife of John Bradyll, of Portfield, Esq. 3. TIMOTHY, baptised at Gargrave 3rd August, 1710; buried there 1st March, 1711-12. 4. ROGER WILSON, LL.B., baptised at Gargrave 20th October, 1711, of Emanuel College, Cambridge, Vicar of Wiggenshall, St. Magdalen, co. Norfolk, and Incumbent Curate of the parochial chapel of Colne, co. Lancaster. Died at Otley 20th February, 1809, and was buried there 18th March, 1789. THOMASINE, daughter of Thomas Bate, of Garbalisham, co. Norfolk, Esq. 5. WILLIAM, died young, living in 1736. 1. CATHERINE WILSON, = THOMAS SWAINSON, of Stockport. DOROTHY WILSON, = HUGH TILLOTSON, of Skipton. His son Mathew, who died 8th March, 1815, unmarried, left his estates to Mathew Wilson, of Eshton Hall, Esq. ANNE WILSON, = I. JOHN SWAINSON, of Skipton. Gargrave 18th = 2. JAMES MORLEY, of Scale House. His ancestor, Francis Morley, of Wenington, Esq., married Cassandra Lambert, paternal sister of the celebrated parliamentary general. ELIZABETH WILSON, = SAMUEL JOHN SWIRE, of Swadford, in Skipton, of the Conolly family. baptised at Gargrave 27th Feb., 1707-8.

MATHEW WILSON, of Eshton Hall, Esq., of St. John's College, Cambridge, Counsellor at Law, born 12th February, 1730; died 16th April, 1802; buried at Gargrave on the 18th, where a monument is erected to him and his wife. FRANCES, daughter of Richard Clive, of Styche, co. Salop, Esq., M.P. for Montgomery in several successive parliaments, and sister of Robert, first Lord Clive, Baron of Plassey; born 12th February, 1734; married 7th July, 1759; died 3rd October, 1798, and buried at Gargrave on the 6th of that month. HENRY WILSON, A.M. of St. John's College, Cambridge, Rector of Slaiburn, and Vicar of Otley; baptised at Gargrave 26th January, 1732-3; died at Otley 13th December, 1781, and was buried there, and a monument erected to his memory. ANNE, daughter and heiress of Thos. Fourness, of Otley, by Rebecca, his first cousin; married at Otley 3rd September, 1764; died at Otley 20th February, 1809, and was buried there 25th of that month. ANNE, baptised at Gargrave 15th June, 1731; buried there 29th August following. MARGARET WILSON, baptised at Gargrave 10th September, 1734; married at Skipton 15th August, 1763; died 24th March, 1818; buried at Bentham. She had issue three sons and three daughters. Rev. THOMAS BUTLER, Rector of Bentham and Whittington, Archdeacon of the Diocese of Chester, youngest son of Edmund Butler, late of Kirkland Hall, co. Lancaster, Esq. Died 26th April, 1825; buried at Bentham. ELIZABETH, died young. MATHEW WILSON, of Manor House, Otley, Esq., Deputy Lieutenant for the County Palatine of Lancaster and for the West Riding, Captain in 4th Royal Lancashire Militia. Died 28th February, 1826; buried at Otley. MARTHA, daughter and co-heiress of William Barcroft, of Fourridge Hall and Moyna, co. Lancaster, Esq. Died 13th March, 1819; buried at Otley. Had issue one son and three daughters, all died s. p.

MATHEW, died an infant, and was buried in London. REBECCA, died young, and was buried at Gargrave 7th June, 1762. Rev. HENRY RICHARDSON, A.M. of University College, Oxford, Rector of Thornton (first husband), married at Gargrave 3rd February, 1783; died 10th November, 1784. A short time before his death he took the name of Curre, upon succeeding to the estates of Sarah Curre, after the death of his uncle, John Curre, Esq. MARGARET CLIVE WILSON, surviving daughter and heiress, born 22nd April, 1764; died 29th May, 1848, and was buried at Gargrave. MATHEW WILSON (her first cousin), of Eshton Hall, Esq. (second husband), Deputy Lieutenant and Magistrate for the West Riding and County Palatine of Lancaster, born 10th August, 1772; married at Gargrave 24th November, 1800; died 15th October, 1854, and was buried at Gargrave. Rev. THOMAS FOURNESS WILSON, B.A., Trinity College, Cambridge, born 22nd July, 1769, of Burley Hall, near Otley, Perpetual Curate of Silsden and White Chapel; married at York 1st March, 1813; died at York 17th October, 1837. ELEANOR, daughter of Sir John Eden, of Windlestone House, co. Durham, Bart., and niece to Lords Auckland and Henley. REBECCA WILSON, born = JOHN TENNANT STANSFIELD = 2nd. ANNE CATHERINE, daughter of James Shaw, Esq., of Otley, surgeon. JOHN TENNANT STANSFIELD = 2nd. ANNE CATHERINE, daughter of James Shaw, Esq., of Otley, surgeon. JOHN TENNANT, M.P. = HARRIETTE, daughter of Jeremiah Garnett, Esq., of Manchester. JOHN TENNANT, M.P. = HARRIETTE, daughter of Jeremiah Garnett, Esq., of Manchester. JOHN TENNANT, M.P. = HARRIETTE, daughter of Jeremiah Garnett, Esq., of Manchester.

Sir MATHEW WILSON, of Eshton Hall, born and baptised 29th August, 1802, educated at Harrow School, Gent. Com. and B.A. Brasenose College, Oxford; married 10th June, 1826, at St. James's, Westminster. A Magistrate for the West Riding and for the County Palatine of Lancaster. M.P. for Clitheroe 1841, 1847, and 1852, and for the N.W. Division of the West Riding 1874. Created a baronet 1874. SOPHIA LOUISA EMERSON AMCOTTs, sole daughter of Sir Wharton Amcotts, of Kettlethorpe Park, co. Lincoln, Bart., by his second wife, Amelia Teresa Campbell; she married secondly Richard Bradley Wainman, Esq., of Car Head, M.P. for East Retford; born 16th January, 1804. Mrs. Wilson died at Kildwick Hall 29th September, 1833; buried at Gargrave. HENRY CURRER WILSON, born 8th October, 1803, educated at Harrow School. A.M. of Lincoln College, Oxford; Rector of Marton and Vicar of Tunstall 1828, resigned both in 1858. Died 1st December, 1866, and was buried at Gargrave. MARGARET FRANCES ANNE CLIVE WILSON, born 21st November, 1804. FRANCES MARY WILSON, born 4th July, 1806; married at St. Mary's, Bryanstone Square, 28th May, 1839, to John Robert Tennant, Esq. (her first cousin), son of John Tennant Stansfield Tennant, of Chapel House, and Rebecca Wilson. HENRIETTA FOURNESS WILSON, born 29th February, 1808; married at Gargrave 10th November, 1829. CHARLES HAMPDEN TURNER, of Lee Place, born 16th January, 1803, only son of Charles Hampden Turner, Esq., of Rook's Nest, near Godstone, Surrey, by Mary Rhode, his wife; he died 23rd September, 1842; buried at Tanridge. JOHN EDEN WILSON, born 30th November, 1813. MORTON EDEN WILSON, born 30th June, 1817, educated at Durham College, in Holy Orders; married 26th April, 1843, Julia, daughter of the Rev. James Serjeantson, M.A., Rector of Kirby Knowle with Bagby, co. York, and has issue. THOMAS FOURNESS WILSON, born 17th May, 1819, Colonel in the Army, and Aide-de-Camp to the Queen; married, 1st, Margaret Smith; she died in India in 1851, leaving a daughter, Helen Eden Wilson. He married, 2ndly, in 1865, Annette, daughter of William Russell, Esq. ROBERT EDEN WILSON, born 6th May, 1822; married Ellen, daughter of J. Body, Esq., of Northallerton, and died in 1864, leaving issue two sons and one daughter. ELEANOR ANNE WILSON, born 3rd August, 1823; married 6th September, 1859, Major William Cookson. MARIA FRANCES WILSON, born 29th April, 1825; married 13th April, 1853, Robert Ward Jackson, Esq.

MATHEW WHARTON WILSON, of Abington Manor, Fairford, co. Gloucester, born at Brierley Hall, 20th March, 1827, educated at Harrow, Gent. Com. Christ Church College, Oxford; Cornet in the 11th Hussars; J.P. for Gloucestershire and for the West Riding of York; married 13th November, 1850. GRATIANA MARY, only daughter of Admiral Richard Thomas, of Stonehouse. A son born in Paris 7th, died 23rd, and buried 25th April, 1828, in Pere la Chaise. HENRIETTA MARGARET MARY TURNER, born 19th October, 1830; married April 30, 1870, Edward Evans, third son of Richard Weaver Evans, of Eyton Hall, Leominster, Esq. CHARLES HAMPDEN TURNER, born 27th January, 1832; died 1st December, 1866. FRANCES SARAH TURNER, born 31st July, 1833. MARIANNE TURNER, born 14th August, 1838; married October 11th, 1859, Edward Haggitt, Esq., of Little Welham, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk. HENRY EDWARD HAMPDEN TURNER, born 23rd October, 1840; died March 26th, 1856. CATHERINE HARRIET TURNER, born 4th December, 1841; married January 20th, 1867, the Rev. Samuel Hoare, Rector of Meeston, co. Kent. FRANCIS MATHEW HAMPDEN TURNER, born 23rd March, 1843; married at All Souls, Langham Place, London, 26th September, 1865. 1. ADELA ELIZABETH SYMONDS, second daughter of T. H. Hay Ruxton, of Broad Oak, Breckley, Kent; died 20th May, 1870. 2. June 20, 1872, MARY, third daughter of Daniel Britten Meek, Esq.

MATHEW AMCOTTs WILSON, born 2nd January, 1853, at Abington Manor, educated at Harrow and Downing College, Cambridge, Captain 1st West York Militia; married in 1874. GEORGINA MARY, eldest daughter of Richard T. Lee, Esq., of Grove Hall, co. York. HENRY CURRER WILSON, born 27th March, 1854, at Cheltenham; died at Stonehouse 11th October, 1854, and is buried at Gargrave. RICHARD HENRY FRANCIS WHARTON WILSON, born 18th August, 1855, late Naval Cadet, now Cornet in the 10th Hussars. GRATIANA SOPHIA MARGARET WILSON, born 21st January, 1857, at Cheltenham. MATHEW RICHARD HENRY WILSON, born 1875. GWENDOLINE GEORGINA FRANCES MARY, born October 1876.

* Blackwell, or Bakewell, Hall was the only market for cloth held in London; it was established by the Mayor and Corporation, 20th Richard II., in a mansion house in Basinghall Street, formerly in the possession of Thomas Bakewell, who lived in it 36th Edward III. In the 14th Charles II. it was ordered to be set apart for the "pitching and harbouring of such cloth, cloths, and other commodities made or mixt with wool, worsted, jersey, and cruell," and a charge was levied thus upon "all Yorkshire broad cloths, kerseys, cottons, and all other commodities made of wool shall pay for the Horse-fack coming from those parts 8d." Becoming ruinous, the hall was rebuilt in 1588, destroyed in the great fire in 1666, re-erected in 1672, and ultimately taken down to make way for the Bankruptcy Court in 1820. The property, or fees paid on pitchings, were given by the City to Christ's Hospital.