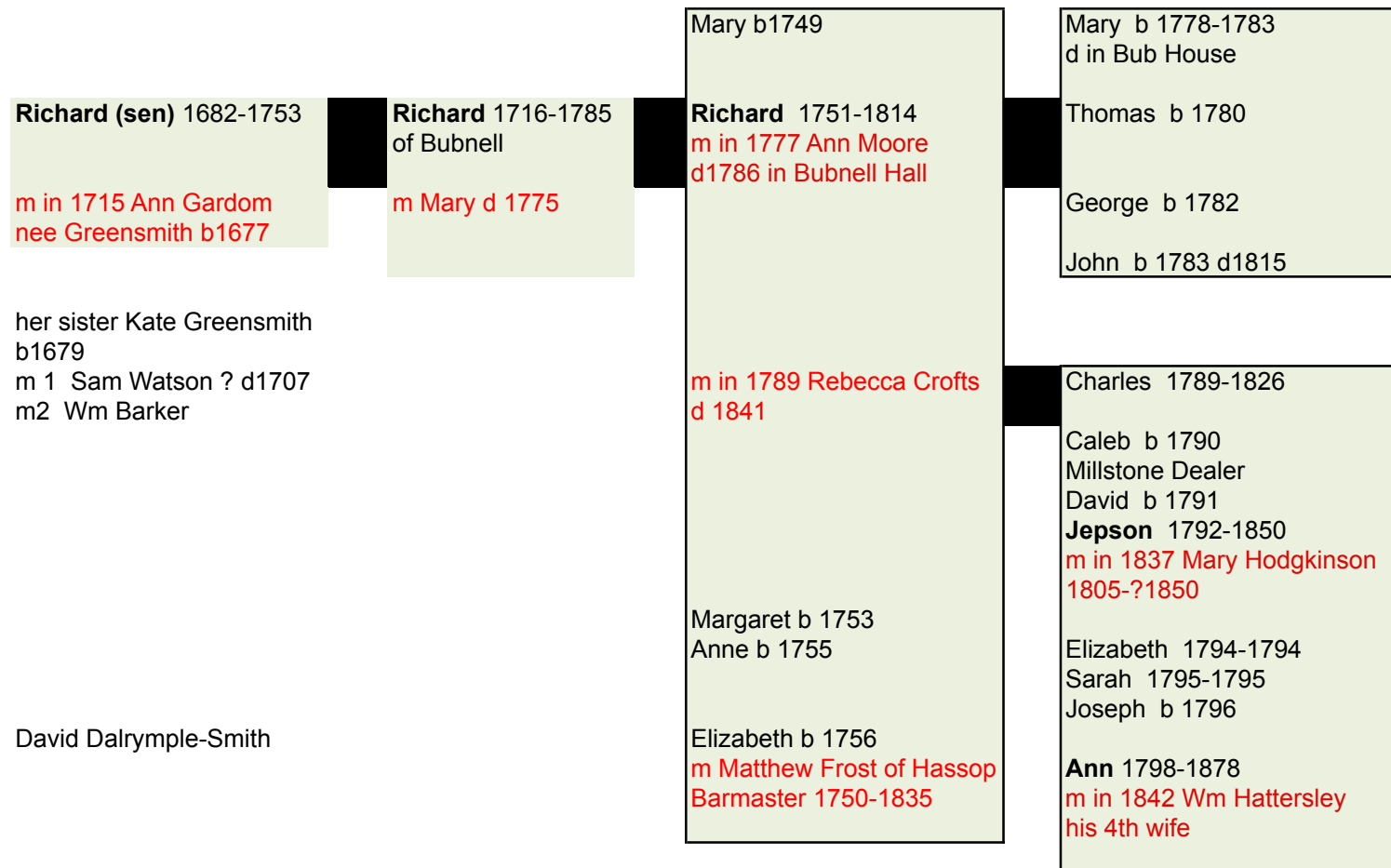


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THE ODDY FAMILY TREE



1. Oddy Senior

In 1684 William Cavendish became 4th Earl of Devonshire – later 1st Duke. He started rebuilding Chatsworth House, starting with the West Wing. Part of the improvement was a large iron railing in front of the wing, which included a pair of Iron Gates. They were build by N & Oddy in 1687/88, and still exist as “The Golden Gates” at the Baslow entrance to Chatsworth Park

Both craftsmen were recruited by the Earl. Where they came from is not known.

2. John Gardom

Born 1661
Married 1695 Anna Greensmith of Pilsley
Died 1713 aged 49

The Gardoms were wealthy tenant farmers based at Yeld farm in Baslow - at the bottom of the present Sheffield Rd. The fact that John’s uncle went to study in Cambridge emphasises the status of the family.

John was also a blacksmith, and was responsible for the west staircase in Chatsworth (see the plaque at the top of the stairs)

3. Richard Oddy

It is likely that Richard was the son of Oddy senior (above) who made the gates

Born 1682
Married 1715 widow Anna Gardom nee Greensmith

Richard is described on a plaque in Baslow Church as a “Gatesmith”. When he married he moved into Bubnell House, an affluent farm in Bubnell recently empty on the death of John Broomhead, (his only daughter had recently married John Gardom’s brother Thomas, and moved into Bubnell Hall).

4. Anna Greensmith

Born 1677
Married 1st 1695 John Gardom
Married 2nd 1715 Richard Oddy

The Greensmiths were a Pilsley (close to Baslow) family, living possibly at Bawkes, which may have been off the Baslow to Edensor road just opposite the Thatch Cottage. Her 2nd son John Gardom (born 1703) later moved to Pilsley, possibly into this house.

5. Comment

There are of course details to be filled in, but it is an interesting insight into the history of Baslow and Bubnell.

Oddy & Gardom

FURTHER NOTES DDS

The Oddy family lived in Bubnell hall (Farm) probably since Richard Oddy married Ann Gardom in 1715. In 1840 Jepson took over the farm on the death of his mother. At the time he had two servants. He left or died without children later in the decade, probably leaving much to his sister Anne who had married William Hattersley (sen) of Yeldwood Farm at Far EndwWhere there were servants in 1841 and 1851 (but none later). Anne, widowed, retired as an annuitant to Bridge End where she lived with her sister. Perhaps using her resources or influence, her eldest stepson moved into the prestigious Bubnell House, where he farmed with one or 2 servants most years until his death just before 1900