

MARSDEN FAMILY - EARLY

John Marsden
C Marsden 1442- Blackburn
Hugh Marsden 1463- Blackburn
Hugh Marsden 1485- Blackburn
Hugh Marsden 1508 Blackburn
Henry Marsden 1530- Blackburn
Hugh Marsden 1553- Tockholes
Hugh 1575-1616 Tockholes
Edmund 1611-1681 Baslow

John Marsden
Christopher b1440 Blackburn
Hugh 1463 Blackburn
Hugh 1485 Blackburn
Jacob 1510 Blackburn
Othnellis b1538 Almondbury
Thomas b1571 Almondbury
Thomas 1593 Silkstone
Thomas b1632 Baslow

[go to Thomas](#)

THE MARSDENS - EARLY BASLOW

Hugh b 1575

Hugo (Hugh) 1575-1616
m1596 Alicia Brough 1574-1662

Helena b1598-1679
John b1598
of Jackflat in 1637

Christopher 1600-1602

Robert b1601-1681

Frances 1604-1605
James 1605-1689
Godfrey 1608-1659

Edmund b1611-1682
m Frances Jackson 1615-1680

John b1598
Maria b1633

Robert 1637-1705
of Jackflat

Emma b1635
Thomas b1636

Robert 1637-1720
m Hannah 1640-1716

Hugo 1639-1698
m Emma Chapman 1625-1663
Margaret b1641
Dorothy b1643

Edmund 1645-1711
of Oxclose (& Oxclose Hassop)
1st wife Eliz; 2nd? Mary
Godfrey b1646
John 1653-1730
Thomas b1653

[go to Robert Higher House](#)

[go to Hugo](#)

[go to Edmund Lower House](#)

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suggestion - print the sheets and fit them together

ROBERT AND HIGHER HOUSE

HIGHER HOUSE

Robert 1637-1720

Joseph 1662-1728
Edmund 1664-1724
Samuel 1666 - 1724
m Dorothy 1662-1723

James 1666-

Hannah 1669-1738
Richard 1674-1711

Robert jun 1679 -1758
m 1703 Elizabeth d1728
m Hannah d1738

Joseph
Daniel
Samuel

John
William
Edmund

Maria b 1705
Samson b 1709

Robert 1714-1794
m 1741 Elizabeth King d1799
Joseph b1716
Samuel b1719
Elizabeth b 1721

Joseph b 1747-1831
Elizabeth b 1751
Robert b 1749-1834
Cutler & merchant, Sheffield & London

Samuel 1755-1821
1821 at Ewe Close

m Hannah 1773-1841

Sampson 1757-1835
m Mary
Ann 1759-1825

Hannah b1761-1825
John 1753-1777

Robert 1798-1837
Joseph 1800-1828
m Ann
Mary b 1800-1884
Samuel 1804-1834

John 1806-1834
m Sarah
George 1808-1829
Hannah b 1812 (ox close)

William 1796-1835
Thomas b1802
James b1803

family of John above
John b1806-1834
of Ewe Close m Sarah

Samuel 1826-1850

Martha 1829-1850
Elizabeth 1831-1850

George b1833
m Sarah

HUGO MARSDEN

Hugo b1639

Thomas 1656-1711
Thomas ? Carpenter
?Kesiland
m Anna Wild in 1703

Godfrey b1659
mElizabeth Hallam

Rebecca b1705 kesiland
Hanna b1708 kesiland
Maria b1710 kesiland
Edmund b1713
Martha b1716
Thomas b1718

Humphrey 1691-1728
Jane
Elizabeth 1694
Godfrey b1697
Edward 1699-1728
John b1702
Hugh b1705
Michael b1707

Thomas (? From?)

Emmet b1693
Godfrey 1694-1694
Elizabeth b1695
Anna b1698
Hugo b1699
Thomas b1696
Anna b1699 (of Kesiland)
Bartholomew b1701
Christopher b1701
Sara b1703
Zebulon b1703
John b1705
Deborah b1705
Constance b1706
George b1707
m Sarah
Elizabeth b1708
Dorothy b1710
Anna b1711

*These Thomases are
more guesswork than
usual!!*

John b1730
Dorothy b1732
Luke B1734

EDMUND and LOWER HOUSE

Edmund b 1645

Thomas b1674 (youlgreave)
m Mary
John b1676 (birchover)
Richard 1680-1751
to Chelmorton
Godfrey 1683-1744
m Mary d1768
Edmund b1686
Robert 1689- 1712
m Elizabeth
Ox Close
Anna b1691
Joseph b1692
m ?Elizabeth
Alice b1693
John b1696
John b1697
Elizabeth b1709

Robert 1717- 1788
(Ox Close lower house)
also Ox Close Hassop
m 1st Eliz King in 174
then Ann Wright 1747
Hannah b1715
Edward b1719
Edmund ? d1757
of Bridge end
has Baslow property
Joseph b1724
m Sarah Harrison in 1743
Godfrey b1726
of Hassop m Mary
inherited farm Ox Pastures
Anna b1716
Hannah b1720
Dorothy b1725
Sarah 1734

John b1741
Elizabeth b1743
Mary b1748
Robert b1749
Cutler
Godfrey 1750-1779
(Oxclose lower house)
m Ruth 1769

William (b1771) (illegit)
later inherits Ox Close

Ellen b 1778
m William Bollington
William b1769
Mary b1771

Sarah b1749
Alice b17551
Martha b1755

Elizabeth b1752
William b1754
Mary b1758

Parkgate 1 MARSDEN

Edmund 1611 - 1682

John 1653-1730
Farmer (Whittands) Publican (Peacock)

Thomas b1678

William b1689
Edmund 1692-1760
m Dorothy d1732
then Mary 1708-1760

Anna b1695

Edmund b1726
at Parkgate

Mary b1730
John b1737

Heathy Lea Mill

John b1696
m Mary Woodhouse in 1725

Robert b 1725-1787

Mary 1731
Joseph
Samuel 1735

Dorothy b1761
Edmund 1762-1837
m Anne then Hannah Marsden in 1801

John b1764
Ann b1769

Heathy Lea Mill

Robert 1763

Parkgate 2

Edmund b1787-1866
m Elizabeth Bailey

John b1788
Mary b1790
Sarah b1793
Robert 1803-1880
m Anne 1796-1885
Martha b1804
Ann b1807
Esther b1808
Charlotte b1811

Heathy Lea Mill

Robert b1789
Miller m Mary

Joseph b1791
Elizabeth b1792
Ann b1794
Esther b1796
Samuel b1798
John b1800
Sampson b1803

Fern cottage
John b1816
Night Porter Chatsw
m Eliz. Singleton in 1840

Edmund b1818

Peter b1820
William G b1825

Mary Anne b1827
m Fearn George Parkgate
Robert b1832

Heathy Lea Mill

Hannah b1815

Sarah b1817
Elizabeth b1818
Theodosia b1821
Robert b1823
Mary Anne b1825
David Matley b1828
John b1833
Joseph b1835

moved to Liverpool

Edmund b1841
Bootmaker
m Hannah Hereman

George b1842
Mary Anne b1844

Elizabeth b1846
Dorah b1848
John b1850
William b1854
Agnes b1856
Steven b1858

Edmond Fearn 1854-1909

Arthur b1865

John b1867
Thomas b1865

Thomas William b1869

THOMAS MARSDEN

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Thomas b1632
of Baslow

Edmund b1678
of Baslow
m Elizabeth Johnson
Dorothea

Johannes 1696

Samuel 1697
m Mary
m Elizabeth

Anna b1720
Samuel b1725
Martha b1729
Ann b1730
Sarah b1732

William b1734
Bubnell / Heathy Lea
m in 1765 Mary Clark
Thomas b1736
Hellen b1741

Heathy Lea

Robert b1765

George b1769-
of Heathy Lea m in 1798
Mary White
Elizabeth b1769
Luke B1773
Anne b1775
Joseph b1776 Tailor
m Mary Callow in 1803

Heathy Lea

Elizabeth 1804-1878
John White Devonsh.
Ams

Charles 1808-1809
Joseph 1922-1889
Mary 1813-880
Hannah 1816-1889
Maria 1819-1875
d in Liverpool

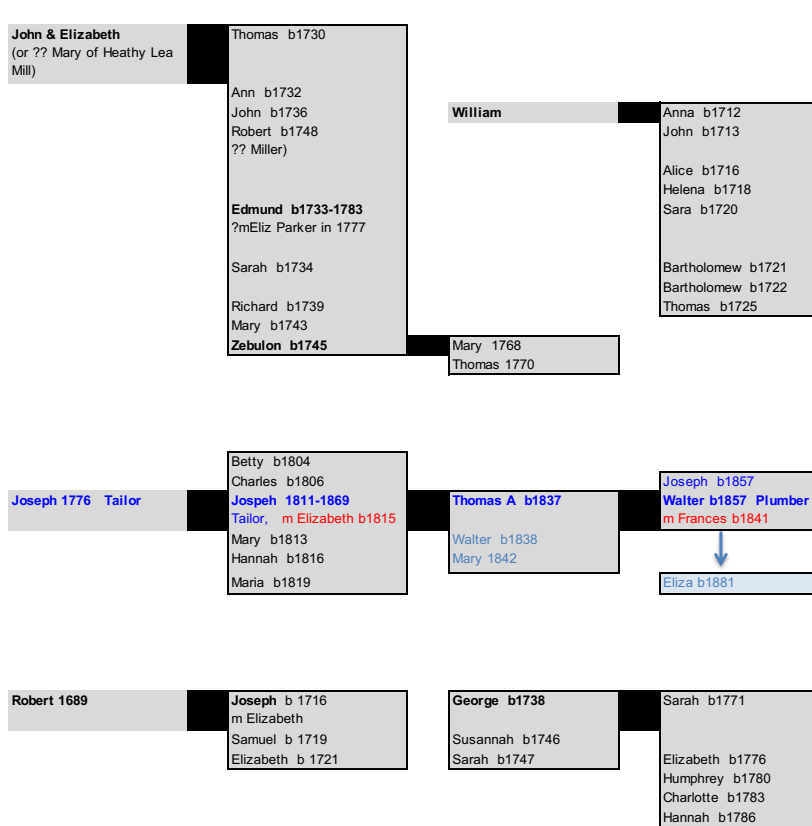
William b1807

Georgiana b1808
Mary b1810
George b1812
Edward b1814

Ann b1815
Joseph b1817
Joseph b1818
Samuel b1819
Elizabeth b1822
Mary b1824
Samuel b1824

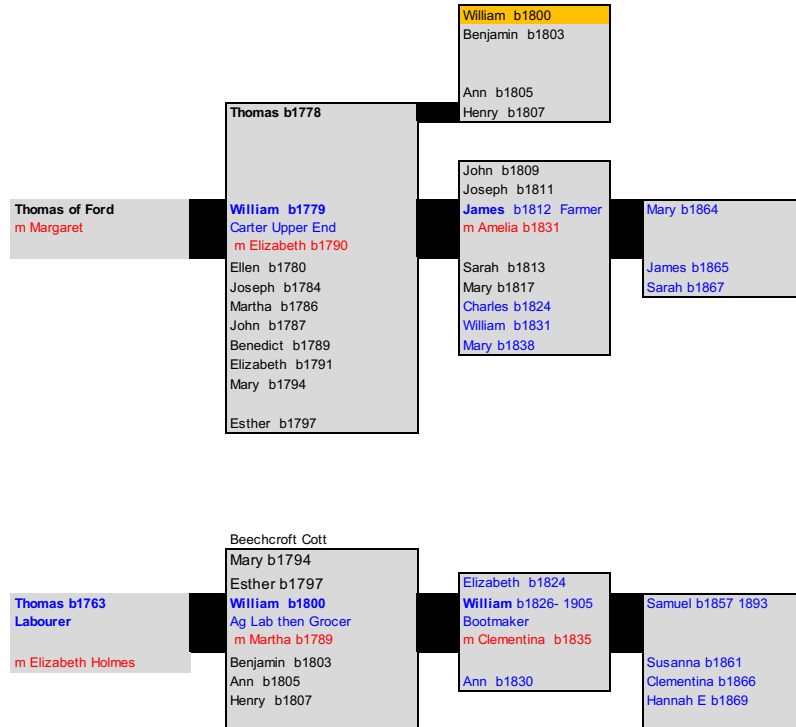
MARSDENS Unconnected to main tree 1

CENSUS INFORMATION
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This summary is based mainly on local sources, especially parish records gravestones and the census returns, and with contributions from Marsdens investigating their family history for which I am very grateful. There is an accompanying family tree. In view of the complexity of the family, and incomplete data be aware that there will be some mistakes and differences of opinion. I got lost with Thomas' in the early 1600s!

The Marsden family played an important part in the history of Baslow. Hugo (or Hugh) arrived in the village in 1596. For much of the 1700s and early 1800s it was one of the largest extended families in the village equalled only by the Marples. Then numbers decreased and by the year 1901 there was only family left, an unmarried mother and her 11 year old daughter.

There are references to Marsdens (earlier de Merclesden) dating back to Norman times. By the 1440s a branch had settled in the Blackburn area. In the late 1500s they were a family of wool merchants living in Livesely Hall at Tockholes a village near Blackburn. Hugo (or Hugh) Marsden 1575-1616 from this family met Alicia Brough a daughter of the Baslow Curate, perhaps in the course of his work. They married in 1596, settled in Baslow and had at least eight children.

The youngest son Edmund 1611-1682 made good, probably by achieving high rank in the service of the Earl of Devonshire at nearby Chatsworth. This must be the reason why in 1672 at the age of 61 he was given the tenancy of 100 acres of good farmland close to Chatsworth House later named as Oxclose. An indenture described the area in detail, and named the previous tenant Jerome Hackett who had been the accountant in charge of Chatsworth finances.

Edmund had at least four children, Robert Edmund John and Hugo.

- (1) Robert b1637 and his offspring were the main farmers at the "Higher House" with Hugo at the "Lower House". (2) Edmund's b1645 descendants became businessmen with works and offices in Sheffield and London. Some of the later children moved to start dynasties elsewhere such as Chelmorton, Yougreave etc. Others emigrated.
- Another son (3) John b1653 had a farm in Bubnell and was (in 1730) publican at The Peacock now The Cavendish Hotel. His eldest son Edmund was living at Parkgate when his eldest son was born in 1726. Parkgate, isolated on the moors above Chatsworth, was at a crossroads. Tradition knows it as The Hornes Inn.: it had a victuallers licence in 1760 so Edmund must have been a Publican. His descendants remained there until the early 1900s, becoming farmers when traffic left the moorland routes for better roads elsewhere. John had another son (John b1696) whose descendants were the Millers at Heathy Lea Mill and may have been involved in lead smelting/mining.
- (4) Hugo was a carpenter who lived in freehold property in the village – until he had to sell up to pay his debts. His family is difficult to map, partly because of the large number called Thomas but his descendants must have swollen the number of Marsdens listed in the parish records

There was another Marsden family in Baslow, apparently unrelated to Hugo, who came from a slightly different part of Lancashire and descended from Thomas b1632. At least in the 1800s and possibly from the start they lived at Heathy Lea (downstream from the Heathy Lea Mill).

Families in a village tend to come and go. For the Marsdens this was exacerbated by the Duke of Devonshire. In the early 1800s he extended his Park up to the Baslow Parish boundary, obliterating the Oxclose Farm. A few years later the Park was extended further north and the occupants of Heathy Lea and the mill upstream were forced to leave. The farmer of Upper House was allocated a Eweclose Farm in Bakewell, the rest went elsewhere many to Liverpool. Other families in the village either died out or left the village for one reason or another leaving only the family of two in 1901

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