

The Hardakers of Baildon

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Introduction

In putting together this document we have used information from many sources, including a number of people who have provided information. These people are too numerous to thank individually but, as will be evident below, we should acknowledge the extensive work on the Hardakers of Baildon done by the late Mrs R. Rennie. We never met her, but her research papers are in the West Yorkshire Archive Service (WYAS) Library. We live in Australia, so the time we have been able to spend working through her papers has been far too limited. We also owe gratitude to the late Edith Hardaker, who not only did a lot of the initial spadework in sorting out the Hardaker genealogy, but also provided a sound basis for continuing what she had started. We hope we have done justice to the efforts of both ladies in what follows.

Note: The numbers preceded by a hash (#) refer to the index numbers of individuals in the One Name Study in our family history website at <http://hardakerfamily.id.au/>. In addition to the information from the two ladies mentioned, we originally made use of other sources, notably the IGI/Family Search. However, images of pages from the church registers from the West Yorkshire Archive service (WYAS) are now available on Ancestry.com. We have been able to check some of the information below from that source, but by no means all of it. We should be grateful to anyone who can contribute corrections or additions.

The following summarises the individuals covered in detail later this the document:

Children of Joshuay #14:

- William #58, b. Rawdon 1699, m. Mary Rangdall 1730
- Sarah #224, b. Esholt 1735, m. Jeremiah Ambler 1755
- William #225, b. Esholt 1737, m. Elizabeth Marshall 1757
 - William #551, b. Baildon, 1758
 - Sarah #547, b. Baildon 1760
 - Joshua #548, b. Baildon 1764, m. Isabella Ambler 1788, m. Ann Bell 1795
 - Elizabeth #732, b. Baildon 1789
 - John #733, b. Baildon 1789, m. Ann Halliday 1815
 - Joshua #737, b. Baildon 1815, m. Sarah Cort 1848
 - John #786, b. Baildon 1845
 - William #1251, b. Menston 1851
 - Joshua #1347, b. Menston 1854
 - Joseph #787, b. Menston 1860, m. Mary Ann Taylor 1897
 - Joshua Joseph Taylor #1887, b. Baildon 1897
 - Edmund #788, b. Menston 1862
 - Annie Louisa #789, b. Menston 1864
 - Mary E. #790, b. Menston 1864
 - Albert #791, b. Menston 1865
 - Esau J. #792, b. Menston 1867
 - Hannah A. #793, b. Menston 1870
 - Sarah #784, b. Menston 1872
 - Isabella #738, b. Baildon 1817
 - Abraham #739, b. Baildon 1820, m. Elizabeth Denby 1845
 - Isaac [Denby] #748, b. Gilstead 1843
 - Ann/Nancy #749, b. Baildon 1846
 - John #750, b. Baildon 1848, m. Rachel Firth 1872
 - William #751, b. Baildon 1850, m. Grace Nowell 1870
 - Annie #3242, b. Baildon 1871

- John #3242, b. Baildon 1872
- Sarah #3244, b. Baildon 1874
- Emily #3245, b. Baildon 1878
- Abraham #752, b. Baildon 1853, m. Mary Ann Clough 1865
- Edith #757, b. Shipley 1879
- Charles Owen #1856, b. 1881
- William Horace #1857, b. 1884
- Marion Eliza #1858, b. Baildon 1894
- Sidney #1859, b. Baildon 1896
- Ernest Clough #1860, b. Baildon 1898
- Martha Ann #753, b. Baildon 1855
- Isabella #754, b. Baildon 1858
- Hartley #772, b. Baildon 1860
- Samuel #755, b. Baildon 1861
- Frederick #1790, b. 1865
- Hannah #734, b. Baildon 1791
- William Rushworth #731, b. 1796 Baildon
- Mary #549, b. Baildon 1765, m. Major Bradley 1789
- Mark #550, b. Baildon 1768, m. Hannah Lambert 1798
- John #815, b. Baildon 1798, m. Rebecca Brook 1822
 - Mark #817, b. Baildon 1823, m. Maria Richardson 1847
 - John #823, b. Arkendale 1849
 - Rebecca #1338, b. Killinghall 1850, m. Thomas Wardman 1874
 - Hannah #1340, b. Killinghall 1852, m. Thomas Ludlam Benson 1874
 - Mark #1341, b. Killinghall 1854, m. Ann Whincup 1879
 - Maria #1342, b. Killinghall 1858
 - Richard #818, b. Baildon 1825
 - John #819, b. Baildon 1827
 - Anna #820, b. Baildon 1829
 - Hannah #821, b. Baildon 1832
- Betty #275, b. Baildon 1779, m. Samuel Hardaker 1799
- Richard #282, b. Wrose 1813, m. Sarah Hartley 1834
- Abraham #545, b. Windhill 1836, m. Betsey Firth 1859, m. Harriett Williamson 1869
 - Albert #1874, b. Manningham 1851
 - John William #1876, b. Bowling 1863
 - Mark #1877, b. Bowling 1866
 - Frederick #1878, b. Heaton, 1870
- William Samuel #460, b. Bradford 1838, m. Tabitha Copley 1862
 - Sarah Elizabeth #779, b. Bradford 1862
 - Ellen #780, b. Bradford 1865, m. James Clough 1908
 - Matilda #777, b. Bradford 1868
 - Richard #778, b. Baildon, 1870
 - Mary #781, b. Bradford 1874
- Hartley #546, b. Baildon 1840
- Richard #461, b. Baildon 1845
- John #462, b. Baildon 1848
- Mark #463, b. Baildon, 1850
- James #60, b. 1704 Rawdon, m. Hannah Whitticker 1731
- James #80, b. 1733, m. Elizabeth Myers 1766
 - [Joshua #84, b. 1767]
 - James #85, b. Guiseley 1769, m. Sarah Thorns 1795, m. Susannah Town 1815
 - Elizabeth #768, b. Baildon 1796, m. John Lancaster 1815
 - Mary #769, b. Baildon 1800
 - Maria #824, b. Baildon 1819
 - Susannah #770, b. Baildon, 1803
 - Sarah #825, b. Baildon 1822
 - Hannah #771, b. Baildon 1805
 - Sarah #806, b. Baildon 1816, m. Robert Smith 1833
 - Hannah #807, b. Baildon 1818

- John #808, b. Baildon 1819, m. Mary Stansfield 1843 (emigrated to America)
- Thomas #809, b. Baildon 1821, m. Ann Hardaker 1843, m. Mary Ann Campbell 1849 (emigrated to America)
- Anne #810, b. Baildon 1823
- James #811, b. Baildon 1825, m. Sarah Myers 1841 (emigrated to America)
- [William #86, b. Guiseley 1772]
- Hannah #81, b. 1737
- John #82, b. 1748
- Grace #714, b. 1751
- John #96, b. Rawdon, m. Elizabeth Thompson 1761
- Elizabeth #764, b. Baildon 1762
- John #765, b. Baildon 1766
- Grace #766, b. Baildon 1770

Child of William #167:

- Roger #305, b. Horsforth 1761, m. Ann Gott 1792
- William #803, b. Bingley 1793
- Richard #796, b. Bingley 1794
- John #797, b. Bingley 1796
- Mary Gott #798, b. Bingley 1801
- Benjamin #799, b. Shipley 1803
- Ann #804, b. Baildon, 1807
- Martha #800 b. Bingley 1809
- John #801, b. Bingley 1810, m. Alice Pickard 1835

Child of James #1796:

- Lancelot #1794, b. Lancashire 1813, m. Elizabeth Coates 1826
- Lanslett James #1798, b. Bradford 1827
- Mary #1799, b. Manningham 1830
- William #1800, b. Manningham 1832, m. Elizabeth Edmondson 1858
- Lancelot #1811, b. Baildon 1860
- Hannah Many #1812, b. Baildon 1860
- Sarah Ann #1813, b. Baildon 1863
- John #1814, b. Baildon 1868
- Lavinia #1805, b. Baildon 1870
- Lancelot #1801, b. Manningham 1836

In what follows, individuals are generally listed according to their dates of first marriage.

William Hardaker #58 (m. 1730)

[Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Although he appears to have lived at nearby Esholt, not at Baildon itself, William Hardaker, clothier, married Mary Rangdall, spinster #223 at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 3 June 1730 by banns. (IGI M011901, WYAS). They had two children that we know of:

- Sarah #224, 1735, baptised 21 August at Guiseley St Oswald, daughter of William Hardaker of Esholt, yeoman. (WYAS P29/1/5).
- William #225 born 1737 at Esholt and baptised at Guiseley St Oswald on 24 September of that year, son of William Hardaker of Esholt. (WYAS P29/1/5).

Sarah #224 married Jeremiah Ambler #742 by banns at Otley All Saints on 8 Oct 1755 (Bishops Transcripts via FMP).

William #225 also married – see below.

We have not traced any other children of this couple.

We think that William #58, husband of Mary, was born at Rawdon, parish of Guiseley, on 28 Feb 1699/1700¹, son of Joshua Hardaker #14 and Grace Casson #40. That idea is supported by the fact that he was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 14 Dec 1777, a clothier aged 78 (WYAS). In fact, he would have been 77 and 9 months but that is close enough to be credible. Mary née Rangdall #223, his wife, was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 14 Jul 1799, a widow, no age recorded (WYAS). We have been unable to find a record of her birth or baptism.

The father of William senior, Joshua of Rawdon #14, whose will we have, married twice, Grace being the second wife. Joshua fathered a total of at least 15 children. He was the son of Roger of Rawdon #4, who died in 1667 (whose will we also have) and who was the founder of the Hardaker dynasty of the Guiseley area.

James Hardaker #60 (m. 1731)

[Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

James Hardaker, a brother of William #58 above was only marginally connected with Baildon. James married Hannah Whitticker #79 by banns at Guiseley St Oswald on 7 Oct 1731 (WYAS P29/1/5). We believe they had at least four children:

- James #80, bap. 8 Feb 1733 Guiseley St Oswald (WYAS P29/1/5).
- Hannah #81, bap. 24 Jun 1737 Guiseley St Oswald. Perhaps she was the Hannah daughter of James, clothier, buried at Guiseley St Oswald on 27 June 1761 when she would have been about 24. (WYAS P29/1/5).
- John #82, bap. 24 Aug 1748 Guiseley St Oswald, son of James Hardaker, labourer (WYAS P29/1/5).
- Grace, #714, bap. 8 Nov 1751 Otley All Saints (Brigg 1912).

The family were living at Hawksworth (about a mile west of Guiseley) when Grace was born. We think that Hannah, wife of James a labourer of Northcroft, who was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 30 Jun 1756 (Mrs Rennie, WYAS), was Hannah née Whitticker #79.

Their son James #80 married and raised a family at Guiseley. As far as we know, he had no connection with Baildon but his son James #85 certainly did – see below.

William Hardaker #225 (m. 1757)

[William #58, Joshuay #15, Roger #4]

Born at Esholt, the son of William #58, he was, as far as we know, the first Hardaker to raise a family at Baildon. We are fairly sure he married Elizabeth Marshall #286 at Calverley St Wilfrid on 14 Nov 1757 (WYAS. New Reference Number: WDP17/2/5). William was a clothier of the parish of Otley (of which parish Baildon was part) and Elizabeth a spinster of the parish of Calverley (Marilyn Maybury, www.calverley.info).

¹ Up until 1751 the calendar year started on 25th March. William's birth was recorded as Feb 1699, but under the modern calendar this would be Feb 1700.

We believe they had six children, all baptised at Baildon St John the Evangelist (IGI P011901):

- William #551, bap. 24 Dec 1758 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/2).
- Sarah #547, bap. 16 May 1760. She was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist the following day, daughter of William junior (Mrs Rennie, WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/2).
- Joshua #548, bap. 8 Mar 1764 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).
- Mary #549, born 1765, bap. 26 Jan 1766 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/2).
- Mark #550, bap. 15 May 1768 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/2).
- Betty #275, bap. 7 Mar 1779. Daughter of William, weaver, and Elizabeth his wife. Although baptised Elizabeth, it seems that she was called Betty later in her life (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).

The long gap between Mark and Betty is a bit of a worry – maybe we are missing some children.² However, we believe that Elizabeth Marshall was 18 when she married William in 1747, so she would have been 40 by 1779 when Betty was born, which is quite feasible. Moreover, the register gives Betty's parents as William and Elizabeth, and there don't appear to be any other candidates for the parents of this daughter.

Of the above listed children, we have found marriages for Joshua #548, Mary #549, Mark #550 and Betty #275, detailed below.

William #225, the father of this family, died in 1807, a weaver of Browgate, Baildon aged 69. He was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 18 Feb of that year (Mrs Rennie, WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1). Elizabeth née Marshall #286 was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 8 Dec 1787, aged 48, wife of William Hardaker, weaver (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/2). If 48 when she died, she would have been about 18 in 1757 when William and Elizabeth married, which fits – see above.

John Hardaker #96 (m. 1761)

[Joseph #59, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

John Hardaker, a worsted comber, married Elizabeth Thompson #763 at Baildon by banns on 16 Nov 1761 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/1). Both were 'of this parish' We are not certain who this John was. The register entry is not much help. He was still a worsted comber when his daughter Elizabeth was baptised in 1762, and when his son John was baptised in 1766 (WYAS). The best guess is that he was John #96 son of Joseph Hardaker #59 (c.1702-c.1765). This John was born at Yeadon in 1734 and was baptised at Guiseley St Oswald on 19 June of that year (Edith Hardaker, WYAS P29/1/5). That would have made him 27 when he married, which seems plausible. We think his mother, wife of Joseph, was Elizabeth Harrison #686 who married Joseph at Bradford St Peter on 6 August 1726. Somewhat in support of this

² In the period 1769 to 1778 we know of five Hardaker children baptised whose fathers were called William, two at Bramley, two at Horsforth and one at Rawdon, but, subject to more evidence, we don't believe that any of them belonged to this William.

notion, the marriage register gives the names of the witnesses, one of whom was William Hardaker, perhaps #225 above. In that case, William and John would have been second cousins once removed.

John and Elizabeth of Baildon seem to have had three children:

- Elizabeth #764, bap. 12 Sep 1762, daughter of John a worsted comber (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).
- John #765 bap. 9 Feb 1766 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/2).
- Grace #766, bap. 6 Sep 1770 (All baptised at Baildon St John the Evangelist and found in WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/2.)

Elizabeth née Thompson was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 6 Sep 1770, described as wife of John Hardaker, comber (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1). Evidently, she died giving birth to Grace, which explains why there were no more children.³ By 1770 John, the father of these children, would have been about 68. We can find no plausible death or burial for him at Baildon. It is possible that he remarried. A John Hardaker, a wool comber married Mary Ellis, spinster at Bradford St Peter, both of Bradford parish, on 23 November 1775. Mary, the bride, might have been born at Esholt, not far from Baildon, but there is too little evidence to support the idea that John remarried, so what became of him remains uncertain.

We have so far been unable to establish what became of son John #765.

Joshua Hardaker #548 (m1 1788, m2 1795)

[William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Joshua #548, born in 1764 at Baildon, married Isabella Ambler #729, née. Isabella Slater, on 27 Jan 1788 at Otley All Saints (WYAS P83/3/2). They were married by licence – We are not clear why. Joshua was ‘of this parish’. Isabella was of the Parish of Kirkby Overblow. She was the widow of Abraham Ambler, #758 who died at Baildon in 1786. Abraham had married Isabella Slater #729 at Otley 21 Aug 1780 (WYAS P83/3/2). At her marriage to Joshua in 1788 Isabella's status (spinster or widow) is not recorded in the Parish Register. It seems that, when her first husband died, Isabella went back to her parents' family home in Kirkby Overblow with her children by Abraham Ambler – Abraham (1781) and Sarah (1785), and that she was living there up to the time that she married Joshua.

Her reported age (30 years) at death in 1792 is another piece of circumstantial evidence that would seem to support her being Isabella Slater, daughter of John Slater #759 and Elizabeth #760, of Kirkby Overblow - bap. 23 May 1762. A John Slater, perhaps her father, was a witness at her marriage to Joshua.

Joshua and Isabella Hardaker appear to have had three children together, all recorded at Baildon St John the Evangelist:

- Elizabeth #732, bap. 4 Jan 1789, daughter of Joshua (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).

³ Buried the same day as Elizabeth was Widow Hutchinson, said to be aged 106 years old – a great age for those days and unusual even today.

- John #733, bap. 13 Dec 1789, Son of Joshua, cordwainer (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).
- Hannah #734, bap. 10 Mar 1791, daughter of Jos Hardaker, cordwainer, and Bella, his wife (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/3).

The daughter Elizabeth #732 we think married Thomas Knipe #735 at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 4 Jan 1808 (Wharfegen). Her sister Hannah #734 married William Hudson #740 at the same chapel on 24 August 1812 (Wharfegen, IGI M011903) and they had at least three children. Hannah died at Baildon in 1871 and was buried at St John the Evangelist on 21 January of that year (Stephen Carr via Ancestry). John #733 married twice. More about him below.

After Isabella died in 1792. Joshua apparently married again, to Ann Bell #730 at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 31 May 1795, he a cordwainer of this parish, and she a spinster of the same parish. They were married by banns. Both made their marks. Witnesses were Jeremiah Bell and John Craven jnr (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/1). The typescript of the register, also available from WYAS via Ancestry.com, has his name as John, which is an error.

Together Joshua and Ann appear to have had only one son:

- William Rushworth #731, born 1 Mar 1796, bap. 27 Mar 1796 at Baildon St John the Evangelist. (IGI P011901, WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/3).

We have found out very little about the life of William Rushworth Hardaker #731 except that he left a will proved in April 1827, available at the Borthwick Institute, York, which we have not seen. However, it seems he died aged about 30, at Baildon, perhaps about 1825. We have failed to find a record of his death or burial, and nor have we found convincing evidence that he married.

Mary Hardaker #549 (m 1789)

[William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Mary, the daughter of William Hardaker #225 and Elizabeth Marshall #286, married Major Bradley #741 at Otley All Saints on 18 October 1789 by banns when she would have been about 23 years old (WYAS New Reference Number: WDP83/3/2). We have not investigated what family they had. Mary the wife of the late Major Bradley died in 1833 aged 67 and was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 10 May of that year (WYAS).

Roger Hardaker #305 (m. 1792)

[William #167, William #27, Rodger #12, Roger #4]

We are not completely sure who Roger's parents were, but our best guess is that he was the Roger son of William #167 and Susannah née Briggs #161, born at Horsforth and baptised at Rawdon on 18 January 1761.

He apparently lived at Bingley, just down the hill from Baildon. His connection with Baildon is tenuous; it seems that he baptised one child, Ann #804, at Baildon Westgate Wesleyan Chapel in 1807 - see below.

Roger married Ann Gott #795 at Bingley All Saints on 9 April 1792 (WYAS 5D94/1/3/2). The family of this couple apparently was:

- William #803, born 21 Feb 1793, bap. 31 Mar at Bingley All Saints (WYAS 5D94/1/1/6). He died in about 1812 and was buried at Bingley All Saints on 30 March of that year. (WYAS 5D94/1/1/7).
- Richard #796, born 10 Nov 1794, bap. 4 Jan 1795 at Bingley All Saints. (WYAS 5D94/1/1/6). He married and raised a family. He died in 1875 at Shipley
- John #797, born 10 Dec 1796, bap. 29 Jan 1797 at Bingley, son of Roger, wool comber (WYAS 5D94/1/7/5). He died in infancy and was buried at Bingley All Saints to 30 June 1800 (WYAS 5D/1/1/6).
- Mary Gott #798, bap. 12 Apr 1801 at Bingley (given her mother's family name as a second forename) (WYAS 5D94/1/7/5). We think it likely that she was the Mary Hardacre, spinster, who married John Smith at Bingley All Saints on 20 Nov 1817. The couple married by banns and with consent of the parents. (WYAS 5D94/1/3/4 confirmed with BT's via FindMyPast). She would have been 16 years old.
- Benjamin #799, born 22 Feb 1803, bap. 7 May 1803 at Bingley All Saints, son of Roger, wool comber of Shipley. (WYAS 5D94/1/1/7;BTs via FMP)ⁱ. We are not sure what happened to him.
- Ann #804, born 31 Jan 1807 and bap. 5 Apr at Westgate Wesleyan Chapel, Baildon (FHL Film Number: 0816604, RG4 3379, IGI C075831).
- Martha #800, born 11 Mar 1809 and bap. 17 Mar 1822 at Bingley Wesleyan Chapel (IGI C079631, WYAS 17D92/7/1/1). We have not traced her further.
- John #801, born 10 Apr 1810 and bap. 17 Mar 1822 at Bingley Wesleyan Chapel (IGI C079631, WYAS 17D92/7/1/1). He married Alice Pickard #975 in 1835 at Bingley All Saints and the couple raised at least three children at nearby Shipley - see below.

James Hardaker –#85 (m1 1795, m2 1815)

[James #80, James #60, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

This James, a wool comber, married Sarah Thorns #767 at Baildon on 28 Dec 1795, both of this parish (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/1, IGI M011901).

The only candidate for his birth that we can find is James son of James #80 bap. Guiseley St Oswald 17 Dec 1769. (WYAS P29/1/5). We believe that his mother was Elizabeth Myers #83.

James and Sarah had at least four children, all recorded at Baildon St John the Evangelist:

- Elizabeth #768, bap. 27 Nov 1796 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, father a wool comber (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).
- Mary #769, bap. 30 Mar 1800, daughter of James, wool comber of Reynards Fold, mother Sarah Thorns (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).
- Susannah #770, born 13 Feb, bap. 20 Mar 1803. at Baildon St John the Evangelist, daughter of James and Sarah Thorns of Reynolds Fold, he a wool comber. (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1).

- Hannah #771, born 21 Oct 1805, bap. 10 Nov 1805 at Baildon St John the Evangelist. daughter of James and Sarah Thorns of Reynolds Fold, he a comber. (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/4).

We think that Elizabeth #768 probably married John Lancaster #1348 at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 17 July 1815 (WYAS England Marriages 1538-1973 via FMP, WYAS Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/3.) The couple had at least three children at Baildon, perhaps more if they were the John and Elizabeth of Windhill, close to Baildon, and who had children baptised at Bradford St Peter.

We presume that Mary #769 was the mother of Maria #824, baptised 26 Dec 1819 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, no father's name given (WYAS, FHL Film Number 918403). Maria seems to have died aged 17. She was buried at Baildon, St John the Evangelist on 17 Apr 1837. (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/4/1).

We think that Susannah #770 was the mother of Sarah #825, baptised at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 14 July 1822, also born out of wedlock (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/1, IGI C011902).

Hannah #771, daughter of James Hardaker of Renard Fold [sic], wool comber, was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 24 Jan 1809, aged 3 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/7/1 and Mrs Rennie).

Sarah #767, the mother of the family listed above, and wife of James, wool comber of Renards Fold, was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 25 Jun 1806, aged 27 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/3).

James, the father of the above family, married again after Sarah died, for a James married Susannah Town #805 at Otley All Saints on 25 Dec 1815 (WYAS WDP83/3/5). The register says he was a wool sorter, but does not describe him as either a bachelor or a widower. Susannah was a spinster.

James and Susannah had six children together, all recorded at Baildon St John the Evangelist (IGI C011902):

- Sarah #806, bap. 1 Sep 1816 (possibly named after James's late wife) (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/1).
- Hannah #807, bap. 22 Feb 1818 (possibly named after James's daughter who died) (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/1).
- John #808, bap. 17 Oct 1819 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/1).
- Thomas #809, bap. 27 May 1821 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/1).
- Anne #810, bap. 30 Mar 1823 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/1).
- James #811, bap. 15 May 1825 (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/1).

In the 1841 Census we found James #85, about 70, and Susannah, about 65, he a wool sorter, living at Tong Park, Baildon. With them were James, aged about 20, a mill hand, John and Thomas, aged about 15, both mill hands. While some of the ages are well astray compared with the above baptisms, this looks like the same household. That view tends to be supported by the fact that also in the house was Sarah Smith, aged about 25, with what are presumably her three daughters, Susannah aged 5, Maria, 4 and Mary aged 1. We think the mother of these girls was Sarah #806 above, daughter of James

and Susannah. We think Sarah married Robert Smith #1345 at Otley All Saints on 29 Dec 1833 (WYAS Reference Number: WDP83/3/6, IGI M009352) – see below.

We have found marriages for John #808, Thomas #809 and James #811 – see below.

Mark Hardaker #550 (m1. 1798, m2 1830)

[William #225. William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Born in 1768, son of William #225, he married Hannah Lambert #773 at Baildon on 20 Nov 1798, he OTP, a weaver, she OTP, a spinster, by banns. Both signed (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/1). We have found only one child of this couple:

- John #815 born 11 Jul 1798, son of Mark and Hannah of Baildon, registered at Shipley Bethel Baptist Chapel (www.calverley.info). Born before the marriage.

Hannah #773, the wife and mother, died on 31 May 1822 aged 62 (www.calverley.info). She was buried at Shipley Bethel Baptist Chapel, recorded as the wife of Mark of Baildon.

Mark married again, to Nancy Holmes #774 on 31 Oct 1830 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, by license (Mrs Rennie, WYAS Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/3). In the licence application he said he was 50, from Baildon, a widower. In fact, he was born in 1768, so he was about 62. Nancy said she was 40 years old, from Baildon. In the 1841 Census we find them living at Delf Hill, Baildon, he aged about 70 (in fact he was about 73). She was reported to be 50. With them was Hannah aged 9, perhaps Mark's granddaughter Hannah #821 below, daughter of Mark's son John #815.

Mark died about 1848 leaving a will which is available at the Borthwick Institute. We have not yet seen it. We have yet to find a burial record but his death appears to have been registered at Otley in the first quarter of 1848 (v. 23, p.393). Ann a.k.a.Nancy #774, the widow of Mark, died on 22 Sep 1867 aged 81 and was buried at Baildon Monrovia chapel on 23 Sept. The summary of her will in the Calendars of Probate tells us nothing new.

Betty Hardaker #275 (m. 1799)

[William #225. William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Born in 1779, daughter of William Hardaker #225 and Elizabeth Marshall #286, she married Samuel Hardaker #272 at Otley All Saints on 3 Jun 1799, he of Calverley parish and she 'of this parish' (WYAS).

It is possible that Elizabeth previously had a son John #1346, born 12 June 1798, baptised at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 1 July 1798, illegitimate son of Elizabeth, spinster (WYAS). She was only 19 at the time and unmarried, so John was born out of wedlock. It seems unlikely that baby John was Samuel's child as no father is named and there is no sign of him in Samuel's household in the 1841 Census. We do not know what became of him.

In any event, Samuel and Betty lived at Idle and later at Wrose (very close to where Brian was born and reared. Samuel and Betty were his great-great-great uncle and aunt.) Samuel was born in 1771 and died in 1861 at a grand old age of 90. He and Betty had ten children, details of whom are in our database. Since none were born at Baildon, they are not listed here.

John Hardaker #733 (m1 1815, m2 1832)

[Joshua #548, William #225. William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Son of Joshua #548 and Isabella Ambler née Slater #729, this John was born at Baildon in 1789. He married Ann Halliday #736 at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 26 Mar 1815 (WYAS, Wharfegen, IGI M009352). They had three children that we know of, all three baptised at Baildon St John the Evangelist:

- Joshua #737, bap. 23-Jun, 1815 (Wharfegen, IGI C011902).
- Isabella #738, bap. 14-Dec, 1817 (Wharfegen, IGI C011902), died 2 Sep 1819, buried 31 Dec 1819 at Otley (Bishops Transcripts of Burials via FMP),
- Abraham #739, bap. 11 Jun, 1820 (Wharfegen, IGI C011902).

As shown above, the daughter Isabella died in infancy but we have located marriages for Joshua #737 and Abraham #739 – see below.

Ann née Halliday, the mother of these children, died on 19 Aug 1830 (Mrs Rennie⁴) and was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on the 23 Aug recorded as residing at Baildon and aged 34 at the time of her death. We think John, their father, subsequently re-married. John of Baildon, aged 40, married Elizabeth Atkinson #826 on 23 Sep, 1832 by licence at Baildon St John the Evangelist. She was from Horton, Bradford, aged 20 (IGI M011902, Yorkshire Bishop's Transcripts via FMP). We have not found any offspring from this union. He would have been about 43, not 40, if he married in 1832, which was a couple of years after Ann's death. He died at Baildon on 29 Sep 1860 (Mrs Rennie). Perhaps he was the John Hardaker whose death was registered at Otley in the first quarter of 1861 (v 9a p. 105), although it is more likely that this record is of the John Hardaker of Yeadon who is listed in the Calendars of Probate. We believe that John the husband of Elizabeth née Atkinson left a will, available at the Borthwick Institute, which we have not yet seen. We have not found a death record for Elizabeth née Atkinson.

John Hardaker #815 (m1 1822, m2 1855)

[Mark #550, William #225. William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

John Hardaker married Rebecca Brook #816 at Otley All Saints on 18 Jul 1822. After some uncertainty we have now concluded that he was John #815, son of Mark #550 and Hannah #773, born at Baildon in 1798, recorded at Shipley Bethel Baptist Chapel (www.calverley.info). We are persuaded that this is the right John from among a number of possible candidates because he named his first son Mark after his father. John's occupation was recorded as a maltster (maker of malt) at the birth of daughter Anna.

John and Rebecca had at least five children at Baildon that we know of (all found in IGI C011901/West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1910):

- Mark #817, born at Delf Hill, Baildon, 21 May, bap. 29 Jun 1823 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of John a worsted-man and Rebecca née Brook.

⁴ No other record of this death is to be found. However, Mrs Rennie was a thorough researcher and may have had access to records not generally accessible.

- Richard #818, bap. 3 Apr 1825 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of John and Rebecca née Brook of Delf Hill, father a stuff manufacturer. He died in about 1827 aged 17 months, and was buried at Shipley Bethel Baptist Chapel (www.calverley.info).
- John #819, bap. 15 Apr 1827 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of John and Rebecca of Baildon, father a maltster. He died in about 1828 aged 14 months, and was buried at Shipley Bethel Baptist Chapel (www.calverley.info).
- Anna #820, bap. 8 Nov 1829 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, daughter of John and Rebecca of Baildon, father a maltster. We have found no further trace of her.
- Hannah #821, bap. 30 Dec 1832 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, daughter of John and Rebecca of Baildon, father a maltster.

It seems that Rebecca #816 died, probably giving birth to Hannah above, for she died on 28 Sep 1832, some weeks before Hannah was baptised. Rebecca was buried at Shipley Bethel Baptist Chapel on 1st October of that year, aged 34. She was recorded as the wife of John and daughter-in-law or Mark (www.calverley.info),

In 1851 John was a widower living as a lodger in Bradford, born Baildon, a maltster, his father's occupation. Evidently his stay in Bradford was temporary because, according to Mrs Rennie, John married a second time to a woman called Hannah, who died on 15 Dec 1874 at Baildon. She was aged 71 at death so must have been born about 1803. We think she was Hannah Bottomley #1339 who married a John Hardaker at Otley Register Office in 1855.

John and Hannah can be found in the 1861 census (shortly before John's death) living in Knaresborough as husband and wife. John's birthplace was recorded as Baildon, and his occupation was reported as 'Maltster', which matches that recorded in the birth records of his last three children. Hannah was 52 when she married John so there were no children of their union.

John #815 died at Knaresborough on 8 Nov 1861, aged 62, leaving a will, the summary of which reads:

The Will of John Hardaker of Knaresborough in the County of York Maltster deceased who died 8 November 1861 at Knaresborough aforesaid was proved at Wakefield by the oaths Mark Hardaker of Killinghall in the Parish of Ripley in the said County Maltster the son and James [?] Fyfe of Shipley in the Parish of Bradford in the said County Coal Merchant the Executors. Effects under £3000. (Calendar of Probate 6 January 1862.)

Tracing the descendants of John the maltster, we have found the marriage of Mark #817 – see below. Daughter Hannah #821 married William Dodsworth #1844 in 1851 in Knaresborough, registered there in the first quarter, vol. 23 p. 396.⁵ William the husband of Hannah was a house painter, born in Knaresborough in about 1828 who died in Baildon in 1874. He was buried at St John the Evangelist, Baildon 11 Oct of that year (WYAS). His wife Hannah née Hardaker survived him and died in Knaresborough in 1896, registered there in the first quarter, vol. 9a, p. 68. Hannah and

⁵ Information about this couple supplied by Stephen Carr.

William had seven children, all born in Knaresborough, not listed in our database and not Hardakers.

Lancelot Hardaker #1794 (m. 1826)

In the 1851 Census at Baildon we find the household of Lancelot Hardaker and his wife Elizabeth, he a gardener aged 47, said to have been born at Preston in Lancashire, and she aged 51, reportedly born at Baildon. However, in 1861 she was said to be born at 'Cottsdale', and in 1871 she was reported to be from 'Swaledale'. We think perhaps she was Elizabeth Coates #1795 born about 1800 at Cotterdale, near Hawes in Wensleydale.

The couple were married at Bradford St Peter on 26 March 1826, he a comber of that parish, she a spinster also of Bradford parish (WYAS). The groom, Lancelot, was inconsistent in reporting his place of birth in the various censuses. Our best guess is that he was born on 26 Jan 1813 at Garstang in Lancashire, son of James #1796 and Jane (Hardacre) #1797, but we are far from certain. Since he was not from the West Riding of Yorkshire, our area of main interest, we have not pursued the question of his birth and parentage any further.⁶

There were no children living with Lancelot and Elizabeth in 1851 but we believe they had at least four children born at Manningham, Bradford:

- Lanslett James #1798, born 13 Mar 1827, bap. 15 April at Bradford St Peter, son of Lancelot and Betty of Bradford, father a comber. (WYAS 40D90/1/2/6, FHL Film Number: 0990537-0990539). (He was called just James in 1841 Census).
- Mary #1799, bap. 11 April 1830 at Bradford St Peter, daughter of Lancelot and Betty of Manningham, father a comber (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP14).
- William #1800, bap. 22 Apr, 1832 at Bradford St Peter, son of Lancelot and Betty of Manningham, father a comber (WYAS 40D90/1/2/8, IGI C107652).
- Lancelot #1801, born 16 Aug 1836, bap 22 Feb 1837 at Bradford St Peter, son of Lancelot and Elizabeth of Manningham, father a wool comber (WYAS 40D90/1/2/10).

It is clear that son Lanslett James later became James, hence the re-use of the name Lancelot for the son born in 1836. James #1798 was living with William #1800 in Bradford in 1851. Both were back in Baildon in 1861, living with their mother Elizabeth #1795, with the father Lancelot apparently elsewhere, perhaps in jail (see footnote). He was back by 1871.

All three sons appear to have married – see below.

In the 1871 census Lancelot and Elizabeth were together at Moorside, Baildon with three lodgers in the house. Lancelot was 68 and Elizabeth 71. Soon thereafter, Elizabeth #1795 of Moorside, Baildon died on 2 July 1871, aged 72. She was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 6 July (WYAS, New Reference Number BDP3/1/4/2).

⁶ In any case, he may not have been the sort of person we would want to be related to for, in the Petty Sessions at Otley on 16 May 1862, a Lancelot Hardaker, we tend to believe this man, was sentenced to seven days in gaol (record in Otley Library).

The father Lancelot #1794 soon married again in 1873 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, he a widower aged 70, a gardener of Baildon, son of James, a delver. He married Mary Parker née Iles #1802, a widow aged 65 from Little Horton, daughter of Richard Isles, a spur maker (WYAS Ref BDP3/1/3/4). Both made their marks. He died at Shipley in 1884 and was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 7 Aug 1884, said to be aged 80 (WYAS New Reference Number BDP3/1/4/3).

Sarah Hardaker #806 (m. 1833)

[James #85, James #80, James #60, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

We think that Sarah #806 born at Baildon in 1816 married Robert Smith #1345 at Otley All Saints on 29 Dec 1833: Robert Smith, a worsted weaver of this parish married Sarah Hardaker, spinster, of this parish by banns on 29 December 1833. (WYAS P83/3/6).

Curiously, Robert was not described as a bachelor or widower. From a newspaper extract, the source of which unfortunately we have lost, we found that Robert was already married and was later prosecuted for bigamy. Certainly, a man of this name, aged 26, was convicted of bigamy at York Assizes on 2 March 1842. He got 9 months in prison. He must have been a rogue because the following year Robert Smith aged 27 got another 6-month sentence for 'poaching in the night time'.

Apparently, the couple stayed together long enough for him to father three children: Susannah born c.1836; Maria born c.1837; and Mary Ann born c.1840, all, of course, with the surname Smith.

As noted above for Sarah's parents, these children were all with their mother in the 1841 Census, with Robert absent. Ten years later she was still at Baildon, without Robert, yet reporting herself to be married. With her were her three daughters, but also another daughter: Hannah born c. 1848.

Had Robert returned and been welcomed back, or was someone else the father of this child? We cannot know. (We have failed to locate a baptism.)

We have traced Sarah through the later censuses and no husband Robert was ever present. By 1861, when she was living at Idle, she reported that she was a widow, so either Robert had died or she found this a convenient explanation for the absence of a husband.

In 1891 Sarah was living in Bradford with her daughter Hannah, who had married a man called Hartley Harshaw – surname unclear on the census form. We think Sarah probably died in 1894 but there were two deaths of Sarah Smiths registered in Bradford that year, both aged 78 and it is unclear which was this Sarah.

Richard Hardaker #282 (m. 1834)

[Samuel #272, Richard #270, Richard #61, Roger #17, John #7, Roger #4]

He was the son of Samuel #272 and Betty Hardaker #275 of Idle/Wrose. Betty, listed above, was a daughter of William #225, born at Baildon.

Richard Hardaker, a farmer of Otley Parish married Sarah Hartley #459 spinster of the same parish by banns at Otley All Saints on 14 Sep 1834. Both apparently signed the register. (WYAS Reference Number: WDP83/3/6, IGI M009352). Sarah born c. 1813 at Baildon was the daughter of Abraham Hartley #1408. Richard and Sarah had six children that we know of:

- Abraham #545, born Windhill (Idle), bap. 29 May 1836 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of Richard, clothmaker, and his wife Sarah, (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/2, IGI C011902).
- William Samuel #460, born at Bradford, bap. 24 Jun 1838 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of Richard and Sarah. (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/2, England Births & Baptisms 1538-1975 via FMP).
- Hartley #546, born at Baildon, bap. 22 Mar 1840 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of Richard and Sarah, (New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/2, England Births & Baptisms 1538-1975 via FMP). Named with his mother's surname. He died 27 Oct 1841 (Mrs Rennie) aged 1 year 9 months, and was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 31 October of that year, (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/4/1, Bishop's Transcripts of Burials via FMP).
- Richard #461, born at Baildon, bap. 27 July 1845 at Baildon St John the Evangelist (IGI C011902).⁷ His birth appears to have been registered at Otley in July 1845. We have not checked the certificate. However, he was five in the 1851 Census, at Baildon, living with his parents, a scholar born at Baildon. It seems he never married. In the 1911 Census he was a patient in St Giles Mental Hospital, Northampton, aged 66, single, formerly a worsted spinner, born at Baildon (Registration District Number 163, Sub-registration district St Giles, ED 34-40, Piece 8422). It is possible that he was the Richard Hardaker who died at the Leeds Workhouse at Kirksstall, on 4 June 1916, a weaver aged 72, (Leeds Beckett Street Cemetery Nonconformists, Ref .LC/CEM (B)/1/10 Number 21801 via Ancestry).
- John born #462, born 20 May 1848 at Baildon, bap. 31 Oct 1848 at Baildon St John the Evangelist (WYAS). The image of the register entry available via Ancestry.com is mostly illegible, so the source these details are tentative. However, the birth was registered in the second quarter of 1848 at Otley, v.. 23, p. 559, mother's maiden name Hartley.
- Mark #463 born 16 Jun 1850 at Baildon, bap 27 Jul at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Stephen Carr pers. comm. Confirmed via England & Wales Births 1837-2006 which gives his mother's maiden name as Hartley).

Richard #282, the father of these children, all sons, was a successful worsted spinner, employing several staff, as recorded in the censuses. The family moved about quite a bit, perhaps to be near suitable premises as the business expanded. Richard the father died at Green House, Wrose, Yorkshire on 27 October 1893 leaving assets of over £14,384 (Calendar of Probate), equivalent to well over a million pounds today.

We have traced marriages for sons Abraham #545, William Samuel #460, John #462 and Mark #463 – see below.

James Hardaker #811 (m 1841)

[James #85, James #80, James #60, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

⁷ The images of the registers of Baildon St John the Evangelist for this period on Ancestry.com are almost wholly illegible.

James #811 son of James #85 was born at Baildon on 25 Apr 1825. He married Sarah Myers #1845 at Otley All Saints on 27 Dec 1841 (WYAS WDP83/3/7). He was 18, a bachelor, a wool comber of Baildon, son of James, a wool sorter. She was of full age, of Esholt, daughter of William a clothier. James signed. We think that Sarah was the daughter of William Myers and his wife Rebecca. If so, she was baptised at Guiseley St Oswald on 25 Apr 1819.

At some time before 1850 they emigrated to America where James led a somewhat exciting life working as a painter, a paper maker but also as a soldier. According to Stephen Carr (pers. comm.),

James enlisted as a private in G Company, Massachusetts 52nd Infantry Regiment which was raised in the Franklin and Hampshire counties of Eastern Massachusetts after a call on 4/8/1862 for nine month troops. The regiment left for New York on 19/11/1862 and went from there to Louisiana. It participated in the siege and surrender of Fort Hudson, north of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, between May and July 1863. The fall of Fort Hudson gave the Union complete control of the Mississippi, and the Regiment travelled home by steamer up the Mississippi to Cairo, Ill., before returning by train to Greenfield, Mass. on the 3/8/1863 and being mustered out on the 14th. 10 men were killed in action and 101 lost to disease.

From the censuses it seems that James and Sarah had five children all born in Massachusetts:

- Susanna #1846, born c. 1842
- Rebecca #1847, born 15 Jul 1845 at Northampton (Massachusetts Births 1639-1915), d. 1897 (Stephen Carr pers. comm.)
- John W. #1848, born c. 1848, died 1900 (Stephen Carr pers. comm.)
- Henry W. (a.k.a. William Henry) #1514, born c. 1850, d. 1897 (Stephen Carr pers. comm.)
- James #1849, born 4 Sep 1853 (Massachusetts Births 1639-1915).

We have not followed these children further since they were far away from Baildon. See the SPC Tree of pandscarr1 on Ancestry.com for more information about them.

James the father of the above children died in 1870 and was buried at Amherst on 4 June (Stephen Carr pers. comm.). Sarah née Myers #1845 died 23 Jan 1877 at Amherst.

John Hardaker #808 (m11843, m2 1870)

[James #85, James #80, James #60, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

John, a brother of James above, was the son of James #85 born Baildon in 1819. He married Mary Stansfield #451 by banns at Otley All Saints on 9 Jul 1843; both were of Otley Parish, he 22, a bachelor, a blacksmith, son of James, a sorter. She was 25, a spinster, residing in Baildon, daughter of Jonathan, a carrier. Both made their marks (WYAS Reference Number: WDP83/3/7). We believe that she was born in Idle on 4 Oct 1817, daughter of Jonathan Stansfield #53 and Susanna née Murgatroyd #176. She was baptised, along with her twin sister, Martha, at Idle Holy Trinity on 9 Nov of that year (Ancestry.com. West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1910).

John and Mary had three children that we know of:

- Rebecca #1850, born c. 1839 at Baildon.
- Thomas #577, born c. 1855 at Halifax, Yorkshire, died in Amherst, Mass. USA on 12 Sep 1860 of scarlet fever (Massachusetts Deaths and Burials , 1795-1910 via Family Search).
- Unnamed #1851, born and died at Amherst, Mass. in 1860 (Massachusetts Deaths and Burials, 1795-1910 via Family Search).

John, Mary and Rebecca were at Skircoat, near Halifax in 1851, he a roller coverer, born Baildon. Mary was from Idle, so presumably a relative of the Stansfields in our family tree. Rebecca was with them aged 12, a scholar born Baildon. (ED 2s, Piece 2289, Folio 862, Schedule 50, page 15).

The status of Rebecca is uncertain. If she was 12 in 1851, as stated on the Census return, she would have been born about 1839, well before the marriage of her supposed parents in 1843. The most likely explanation is that she was a child of Mary Stansfield born out of wedlock, maybe fathered by John or maybe by someone else, but apparently accepted by him as a daughter by 1851. That tends to be confirmed by the presence of a Rebecca Stansfield aged one in the household of Mary's father Jonathan Stansfield #53, aged 52, a carrier living at Baildon in 1841 with wife Sarah #176, also 52. For some reason their daughter Mary was missing from the household. There was a Rebecca Hardaker baptised at Leeds St Peter on 17 May 1840, daughter of Thomas and Mary of Calls, Leeds, he a labourer (WYAS P68/3A/12). We do not yet know who the parents were but in any case, this baptism does not seem to fit this Rebecca. No baptism has been found yet for a Rebecca Stansfield at Baildon. It seems likely that she died at Halifax, Yorkshire in 1855 (registered there 3rd quarter, vol. 9a, p. 225 as Rebecca 'Hardish' – Free BMDs). Certainly she did not accompany her parents when they sailed to New York in 1856. Overall, considerable doubt remains about both her birth and about what became of her.

Sadly, it seems that John and Mary, having lost at least two, perhaps three children, did not have any more.

Mary #451, the wife of John above, died on 15 Aug 1864 at Amherst Mass. John then remarried to Mary J. Hubbard #660, a widow whose late husband was called Spear. John's death has not yet been located. For more details of John and his life in America see the SPC Tree of pandscarr1 on Ancestry.com.

Thomas Hardaker #809 (m1 1843, m2 1849)

[James #85, James #80, James #60, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Thomas, brother of John #808 above was born at Baildon in 1821. Like his brother, he married twice. He first married Ann Hardaker #1111 at Bradford St Peter on 19 Nov 1843. They were married by banns, he 21, a bachelor, a comber of Bowling Lane, Bradford, son of James, a wool sorter. She was 19, a spinster, a weaver of Esholt, daughter of John Hardaker, a shoemaker (WYAS Ref. BDP14).

We believe that Ann was the daughter of John Hardaker #1006 and Sarah née Burnley #1110 of Eccleshill, where Ann was born. This view is supported by the fact that the baptismal record gives her father's occupation as cordwainer, or a shoemaker, as stated at Ann's marriage.

It seems that Thomas and Ann had no children and we believe that Ann died in 1848, less than five years after the marriage. She was buried at Eccleshill Norman Lane

Cemetery on 18 Oct, recorded as being 25 years old (BFHS Fiche 2/4), In partial confirmation, burial record states that she was born in Eccleshill, where Ann Hardaker #1111 was born.

Thomas then married again, quite soon after Ann died, to a Scottish woman called Mary Ann Campbell #813. The wedding took place at Bradford St Peter on 29 Jan 1849, about three months after Ann was buried. In the marriage register Thomas was said to be 27, a widower, a comber of Bradford, son of James, a wool sorter. Mary Ann was 24, a spinster of Bradford, no occupation given, daughter of John a weaver. Both made marks, (Ancestry.com. West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1813-1935).

In 1851 the couple were in Wapping, Bradford, with no children. He was a combing machine tender (tender?) and she a combing machine (operator?), which is presumably how they met.

What happened next is as yet unclear but in 1870 the couple are to be found in Lawrence, Mass. USA, he 48 born England she 43 born Scotland, both working in a woollen mill. Thomas at least was still in Lawrence in 1880 with Mary Ann apparently missing. Amherst, where his brother John went to live, is about 150 km from Lawrence, so they were not physically close. However, it seems that after Thomas died at Northampton, Mass on 9 Mar 1897 he was buried at nearby Amherst.

There is no evidence that Thomas had any surviving children by either wife.

Abraham Hardaker #739 (m. 1845, m2 1869) [

[John #733, Joshua #548, William #225, William #58, Joshua #14, Roger #4]

Abraham #739, son of John #733 above, born 1820, married Elizabeth Denby #747 at Otley All Saints in 1845. It seems they may have had a child before that because Isaac #748, son of Abraham and Elizabeth, was baptised at Bingley on 10 Oct 1843. Isaac, a son aged 7, born at Gilstead, can be seen living with Abraham and Elizabeth of Baildon in the 1851 Census. The full family (in more senses than one) seems to have been:

- Isaac #748, a.k.a. Isaac Hardaker Denby a.k.a. Isaac Denby was born at Gilstead on 17 Dec 1842, bap. 1 Oct 1843 at Bingley All Saints, son of Abraham Hardaker and Elizabeth Denby, the father a farmer of Baildon (IGI C007272, WYAS New Reference Number: BDP7/1/2/3). Clearly this was an illegitimate birth, which presumably explains the confusion about the name of the child. The complications continued. Isaac, now called just Isaac Denby, married Caroline Goldsburgh at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 18 Apr 1876, he a bachelor aged 24, a clogger of Bank Top, Baildon, son of Abraham, a farmer. She as a spinster of Baildon, aged 29, daughter of Francis Goldsburgh, a farmer. The couple married by licence and both bride and groom signed the register. Soon thereafter, Sarah Elizabeth Hardaker Denby was born on 18 May 1868, and was baptised at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 28 June 1868, daughter of Isaac Denby, Inn keeper and Caroline Denby (WYAS New Registration Number BDP3/1/2/2).
- Ann/Nancy #749, bap. 12 Apr 1846 at Baildon St John the Evangelist (IGI C011902, FHL Film Number 918403. (The relevant page of images of the register on Ancestry.com is missing or illegible.) She was aged 5 in 1851 Census, called Nancy (ED 3a, Household schedule 45, Piece 2285, Folio 234, page 12).

- John #750, born c. 1848 at Baildon (aged 3 in 1851 Census). In 1871 he was 23, single, living with his widowed mother Elizabeth (ED 1, piece 4305, folio 8, household schedule 43, p. 9). He was a wheelwright who married the following year – see below.
- William #751, born 31 Oct 1850 at Baildon, bap 22 Dec 1850 at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Stephen Carr pers. comm.). He married, see below, but died quite soon thereafter.
- Abraham #752, born 24 Jan 1853 at Baildon, bap 27 Mar at Bingley All Saints (Stephen Carr pers. comm.), died 14 Oct 1911 at Baildon, aged 58 on 14 Oct 1911.
- Martha Ann #753, born 28 Feb 1855 at Baildon, bap 14 Apr at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Stephen Carr pers. comm.).
- Isabella #754, born 28 Feb 1858 at Baildon, bap 18 Apr at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Stephen Carr pers. comm.), died 30 June 1937, aged 79, and was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Mrs Rennie).
- Hartley #772, born c. 1860, d. at either Manningham or Horton, Bradford 15 Jun 1860 (Mrs Rennie), buried Baildon St John the Evangelist on 19 Jun (WYAS).
- Samuel #755, born c. 1861 at Baildon (1861 Census when he was 3 m old). He died on 23 Jun 1932, said to be 71, ‘son and husband’. He was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist. We have yet to find the name of his wife.
- Frederick #1790, born c. 1865.

Abraham, the father of these children died at Bank Top Farm, Baildon on 5 Jun 1865, a farmer aged only 44. Probate was granted at Wakefield to Charles Clegg of Woodhead and Isaac Hardaker #748, farmer of Bank Top Farm and the first son listed above (Calendars of Probate 1865).

Elizabeth the mother of the above children and widow of Abraham died at Bank Top Farm, Baildon Green on 6 June 1900, aged 79 (Mrs Rennie).

Mark Hardaker #817 (m. 1847)

[John #815, Mark #550, William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Mark #817 was the son of John #815 and Rebecca née Brook #816, born in Baildon in 1823. He was a maltster and farmer. We think he married Maria Richardson #822 at Hunslet, near Leeds in 1847 (Free BMDs). Mark and Maria buried their eldest son John at Baildon on 28 April 1874. However, for much of their lives together they had lived elsewhere, mostly at Killinghall, just north of Harrogate.

From the various censuses we have identified the following family for them:

- John #823, born c. 1849 at Arkendale, about 6 km north-east of Knaresborough. He died on 28 April 1874 at Killinghall and was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 30 Apr, aged 24, son of Mark and Maria (Mrs Rennie).
- Rebecca #1338, born c. 1850 at Killinghall. We think she married Thomas Wardman #1792 in 1874 at Knaresborough (Stephen Carr, pers. com.)

- Hannah #1340, born c. 1852 at Killinghall. It seems she married Thomas Ludlam Benson #1791 at Knaresborough in 1874 (Oct/Dec 9a 195). He was born in about 1847 at Hartwith and in 1881 was a farmer of 74 acres. This marriage produced seven children (Stephen Carr, pers. comm.).
- Mark #1341, born c. 1854 at Killinghall. He married Ann Whincup #1343 in 1879 at Arkendale (registered at Great Ouseburn, Yorkshire, vol. 9a, p. 139). He was a farmer from age 17 at Minskip, 10 km north-east of Knaresborough, later becoming manager of a farm at Huddersfield. He had at least one child, John Thomas #1344, born in about 1880 at Minskip, near Boroughbridge (1881 Census).
- Maria #1342, born c. 1858 at Killinghall. According to Stephen Carr, she married Ezra Naylor #1793 and they had at least one son.

Mark the father of this family died in 1881 at Killinghall. He was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Mrs Rennie). His wife Marie died in Saltaire in June 1896 (Mrs Rennie).

Joshua Hardaker #737 (m. 1848)

[John #733, Joshua #548, William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Joshua son of John #733 born Baildon in 1815, married Sarah Cort #782 in 1848 at Otley All Saints (Leeds, CE131/A/401). She was born in Menston and baptised at Otley All Saints on 19 March 1826, the daughter of Edmund Cort #783 and his wife Ann née Jennings #784 (IGI C009352, M009352).

In 1851 Joshua and Sarah were living at Baildon with their son John #786 aged 1 year and with Sarah's mother Ann Cort née Jennings #784, a widow aged 61, and her son Esau #785, aged 15, i.e. seemingly born when Ann was 48.

Joshua Hardaker was 35 and Sarah 25 when they married. The family were living at Menston in 1861 and 1871 and at Hawksworth in 1881. From these sources it seems they had a large family comprising:

- John #786, born 20 Aug. 1845, bur 21 Oct 1845, son of Joshua a farmer, and Sarah his wife (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/1/3).
- William #1251 born 1851, bur 29 Aug 1851.
- Joshua #1347, born c. 1854.
- Joseph #787, born c. 1860.
- Edmund #788, born c. 1862.
- Annie Louisa #789 born c. 1864.
- Mary E. #790, born c. 1864.
- Albert #791, born c. 1865.
- Esau J. #792, born c. 1867.
- Hannah A. #793, born c. 1870.
- Sarah #794, born c. 1872.

All the children, except perhaps Joshua, were said to have been born in Menston. Joshua was variously reported to have been born at Baildon or Menston.

We located a marriage for Joseph #787 – see below.

Sarah #782, the widow of Joshua died at Moorfield House, Baildon on 25 February 1899. Joshua was described as having lived formerly at Menston Hall (Notice in *Bradford Observer*).

The will of Joshua Hardaker of Menston #737, farmer, dated 15 Feb 1883 is to be found in the WYAS at Bradford, Item 10D76/3/56/51. We have not yet seen it. We suspect that his death was registered at the Wharfedale Register Office in the second quarter of 1885, vol. 9a, p. 112. He was said to be 69, so born about 1816.

William Hardaker #1800 (m. 1858)

[Lancelot #1794, James #1796]

William born 1800 at Manningham, son of Lancelot #1794 and Elizabeth Coates #1795 we believe married Elizabeth Edmondson #1810 on 25 Oct 1858 at Bradford St Peter (WYAS). He was a 27, a bachelor, a weaver of Shipley, son of Lancelot, a gardener. She was 25, a spinster, a weaver, daughter of John, a green grocer. He signed the register; she made her mark. We think she was the daughter of John Edmondson #1872 and Hannah née Burnley #1873. Their daughter Elizabeth was 14 in the 1851 Census.

William and Elizabeth lived at Baildon. From the censuses we have found the following children, all born at Baildon:

- Lancelot #1811, born 3 May 1860, died 9 Oct 1881, aged 24.
- Hannah Mary #1812, born c. 1860
- Sarah Ann #1813, born 8 Aug 1863
- John #1814, born c. 1868. John Hardaker was convicted at Bradford on 21 Jul 1887 of assaulting Thomas Allen, for which he got one calendar month in jail. He was described as 19 years old, so b.c. 1868, 5 ft 8 inches tall, a factory hand with brown hair and a large scar on his forehead. His stated religious affiliation was 'Wesleyan Baildon'. He was discharged on 20 August 1887. (WYAS Prison Records. Reference C118: Wakefield Prison).
- Lavinia #1805, born c. 1870.

We have not traced any of these in subsequent years.

Abraham #545 (m1 1859, m2 1869, m3 1894)

[Richard #282, Samuel #272 and Betty #275]

He was born at Baildon in 1836, bap 29 May at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of Richard and Sarah of Windhill, father a cloth maker. Windhill is only about 1 km from Thackley, normally regarded as part of Idle. There were two men called Abraham born around the same time in Idle, but we think that this man first married a woman called Betsey Firth #558 from Sowerby, the marriage being registered at Bradford in the second quarter of 1859, v. 9b, p. 237. They were together at Manningham in 1861 with no children. But by 1871 we suspect that Abraham was at Little Horton, married to a woman called Harriet. We think he was the same Abraham because the eldest son, Albert #1874, 10, was born at Manningham. We think Harriett was probably Harriett

Williamson #1875 who married an Abraham Hardaker in 1869, registered at Bradford in the first quarter of 1869 (FreeBMD v.9b, p. 274) . We think we have the right Abraham because his parents, Richard and Sarah, were also living in Little Horton at this time.

It seems that Abraham and his first wife Betsey were parents of the following son:

- Albert #1874, born c. 1851 at Manningham

Then it seems that Abraham and Harriett #1875 were the parents of:

- John William #1876, born c. 1863 at Bowling, Bradford
- Mark #1877 born c. 1866 at Bowling, Bradford
- Frederick #1878 born c.1870 at Heaton, Bradford.

We have followed the family further but have not given details here since they were not residents of Baildon. However, Abraham, 57, a widower (again!) and annuitant of Dunk Hill Street, Horton, son of Richard, a worsted spinner, married Hannah Sunderland #1879 at Horton All Saints (Bradford), on 10 Feb 1894. Hannah was 36, a spinster and a nurse of the same street, daughter of John. We think the third-time groom died on 5 Dec 1897 aged 62. (Mrs Rennie, Free BMDs Wharfedale Register Office 4th quarter 1897, v. 9a, p. 115).

William Samuel Hardaker #460 (m. c. 1862)

[Richard#282, Samuel #282 and Betty #275; Betty: William #225, William #58, Joshua #14, Roger #4]

William Samuel #460 was baptised at Baildon on 24 June 1838, son of Richard #282 and Sarah née Hartley #459 (IGI C011902, WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/2). He married Tabitha Copley #776 At Bradford St Peter on 20 May 1862, he 23, a bachelor, a sorter of Horton, son of Richard, a wool stapler. She was 23, a spinster of Bradford, daughter of Joseph, occupation illegible (WYAS Reference Number: BDP14) It seems that the children of Samuel and Tabitha at Baildon comprised:

- Sarah Elizabeth #779, daughter of William Samuel, wool sorter, and Tabitha was born 30 July 1862 at Bradford, bap. 20 Dec 1862 at Baildon St John the Evangelist (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/2). There are a few candidates for her death but we think she died in 1927 at Brantcliffe, West Lane, Baildon, aged 64. She was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 11 Feb of that year (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/4/4). She left a will: Sarah Elizabeth Hardaker of Brantcliffe West Lane Baildon spinster died 8 Feb 1827. Probate to Ellen Clough widow and Arthur Merlin Bennett salesman. Effects £4760 16s 5d. (Calendars of Probate) We think the Ellen Clough was her sister, below, who married James Clough in 1908.
- Ellen #780, unmarried, aged 16 in 1881, born Bradford, a dressmaker, born c. 1865. She married James Clough, a coal merchant and a widower in 1908. They were together in the 1911 Census at 10 Morland Avenue Baildon, she 46 and he 39. Ellen reported that she had had no children. James had two sons and a daughter living at home. (1911 Census, Registration District 491, Sub-registration district Yeadon, ED 01, Piece 26029).

- Matilda #777, Her birth was registered at Bradford in the 4th quarter of 1868 (v. 9b, p. 111). Matilda of Manningham was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 19 Dec 1868, aged 3 months, no parents listed. (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/4/2).
- Richard #778, son, born 1870, died 20 May 1870 at Baildon, an infant.
- Mary #781, aged 7, born Bradford in 1881, a scholar, born c. 1874, died 5 Mar 1939 aged 65. Buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Mrs Rennie).

William Samuel died at Baildon on 20 June 1902, aged 64 (Mrs Rennie). Tabitha his wife had died on 9 May 1891 aged 53 (Mrs Rennie).

William Hardaker # 751 (m. 1870)

[Abraham #739, John #733, Joshua #548, William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

William #751, son of Abraham #739 and Elizabeth Denby #747, married Grace Nowell #3241 at Baildon on 14 May 1870 at Baildon St John the Evangelist. She was a spinster of Delf Hill, Baildon, daughter of Thomas a wool comber, (WYAS Ref BDP3/1/3/4). William was working at the time as a tinner. In 1871 William and Grace were living with her parents and they had a daughter Annie #3242 who was 9 months old. William the father and husband died on 27 January 1878 aged 27 (Mrs Rennie). He was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 31 Jan 1878 (WYAS Ref BDP3/1/4/2). In the 1881 Census (ED 1, Piece 4339, Folio 7. P. 7.) Grace was a widow, a worsted weaver aged 29 with four children:

- Annie #3242, above, born c. 1871
- John #3242 born c.1872
- Sarah #3244 born c. 1874
- Emily #3245 born c. 1878.

We have not traced this family further.

John Hardaker #750 (m. 1872)

[Abraham #739, John #733, Joshua #548, William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

John #750 was the son of Abraham #739 and Elizabeth née Denby #747. He was born at Baildon in about 1848. He married Rachel Firth at Bradford St Peter on 28 Aug 1872, he 24, a bachelor, a wheelwright of Bradford, son of Abraham, a farmer. Rachel was 23, a spinster, of Bradford, daughter of Richard, a farmer (WYAS Ref BDP14). Tracing them through various censuses, it is clear that Rachel was born in nearby Bingley. It appears that the couple had no surviving children.

Although they married in Bradford, in 1881 and 1891 they were living in Baildon. In 1901 it seems they were at nearby Shipley, John now a pattern maker. Curiously, in 1911 they were at Burton Leonard, a village north of Knaresborough, and nearly 40 km from Baildon. He was listed as a farmer and (perhaps) a grazier, born Baildon, still with wife Rachel, born at Bingley, recorded as having had no children.

Because John is the most common forename for male Hardakers, it has not yet been possible to find a convincing record of the death of this particular man. Perhaps he was the John Hardaker of 120 Aireville Road, Frizinghall, buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 1 February 1933, aged 85.

Abraham Hardaker #752 (m. 1875)

[Abraham #739, John #733, Joshua #548, William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Abraham #752 was the son of Abraham #739 and Elizabeth née Denby #747. He was born at Baildon on 24 Jan 1853, bap. Bingley All Saints on 27 March of that year. He married a woman called Mary Ann Clough #756 on 25 Aug 1865 at Baildon St John the Evangelist. He was 22, a bachelor, a warehouseman, of Baildon parish, son of Abraham, a farmer. She was 19, a spinster of Baildon, daughter of John Clough, occupation illegible (WYAS Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/4).

They had at least six children:

- Edith #757, born 24 Feb 1879, bap 6 Apr at Baildon St John the Evangelist, daughter of Abraham and Mary Ann of Shipley, father a warehouseman (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/4).
- Charles Owen #1856, born 2 Jul 1881, bap 7 Aug at Baildon St John the Evangelist (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/5).
- William Horace #1857, born 6 Mar 1884, bap 13 Apr at Baildon St John the Evangelist (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/5).
- Marion Eliza #1858, born Abt 1894 at Baildon, birth registered at Wharfedale 4th qtr 1893 v. 9a p. 140. She married Albert Berwick #3246 at Providence Chapel, Shipley on 12 Jan 1916 (West Yorkshire Nonconformist Records via Anestry.com).
- Sidney #1859. He was five years old in the 1901 Census, son of Abraham and Mary Ann, born Baildon Abt 1896. (ED 5, Piece 4067, Folio 89, Page 6, Household schedule 44.)
- Ernest Clough #1860, born Abt 1898 at Baildon. He was 3 years old in the 1901 Census, born Baildon, (ED 5, Piece 4067, Folio 89, Page 6, Household schedule 44).

Abraham the father of this family died at Park Street, Shipley in Oct 1911 and was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 7 Oct aged 58 (WYAS New Reference Number BDP3/1/4/4).

Mary Ann, the mother of these children, died at Church Hill, Baildon in November 1946 aged 88. She was buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist on the 19th of that month.

Joseph Hardaker #787 (m 1897)

[Joshua #737, John #733, Joshua #548, William #225, William #58, Joshuay #14, Roger #4]

Joseph #787 born about 1860, son of Joshua #737 married Mary Ann Taylor #1885 at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 18 Apr 1897. He was a bachelor, a farmer aged 37, son of Joshua a farmer. She was 'of age', a spinster of Baildon, daughter of Joseph Taylor #1886, a wool merchant. They were married by licence (WYAS Reference Number: BDP3/1/3/5). The 1901 Census shows them together at 29 Land End, Baildon, with no children, he a salesman aged 41, born Menston, she 43, born Baildon.

We believe that they had only one child:

- Joshua Joseph Taylor Hardaker #1887, born c. 1897, bap. 11 Oct 1897 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of Joseph and Mary Ann (WYAS New Reference Number: BDP3/1/2/5). We think he died the same day; his death being registered in the 4th quarter of the same year at the Wharfedale Register Office, vol. 9a, p.111.

In 1911 Joseph and Mary Ann were living at Baildon in the home of her father Joseph Taylor, 83, along with his son Seth, 42. Joseph #787 was 50, a cattle salesman, Mary Ann was also said to be 50 and to have been married 14 years with only one child born and died.

We think Joseph #787 died at Butler House, Baildon, on 15 Sep 1918 aged 58 and Mary Ann #1885 died at Baildon on 15 Nov 1945, aged 88. Both were buried at Baildon St John the Evangelist (Mrs Rennie).

Other Hardaker links to Baildon

In 1763 Richard Hardaker #139 of Rawdon wrote his will in which he leaves to his nephew Robert Hardaker #68, son of his brother Robert Hardaker #31, his share of lands and housing lying at Baildon in the County of York. (He also appointed his nephew Robert #68 to be his sole executor.) We have so far found no evidence that Robert lived at Baildon. However, he evidently held on to this property for, in his will written in 1784, he leaves to his son Robert #75 'all my messuages, cottages, lands and tenements in the township of Baildon'. Robert the son also apparently never lived at Baildon.

There are a number of early records of Hardakers at Baildon who we have failed to fit into the above story. These include:

- Elizabeth Hardaker married James Hutton at Baildon St John the Evangelist on 6 May 1754 (IGI M011901). They were both 'of this parish' and were married by banns with the consent of parents, indicating that at least one of them was under 21. He could have been as young as 14 and she as young as 12. But it seems more likely that she would have been born about 1735 and we have no record of an Elizabeth born at Baildon around that time.
- On 21 Oct 1800 Ann Hardaker aged 24 of Baildon was licensed to marry William Barrett at Baildon St John the Evangelist. He was 20 and in the Army (Newsome). We are not certain that the marriage took place, but in any case, we do not know who she was.
- Joseph, b 13 Mar 1825, bap. 2 Apr at Baildon Westgate Wesleyan chapel, son of Mary (IGI C075831). Perhaps this was the Mary #769 who was also the mother of Maria #824 born in 1819 with no father mentioned, but as yet there is no way to be sure.
- James, bap. 24 Aug, 1844 at Baildon St John the Evangelist, son of John and Mary (IGI C011902). He was the only child of these parents in this batch. We have failed to find this family in the censuses or in other sources.

Of course, that is by no means the end of the list of exclusions from the above. There have been many more Hardakers living at Baildon in more recent times. The task of tracing them all is beyond the scope of this effort.

ⁱ There are slight differences in the exact dates of birth/baptism of Benjamin, due to illegibility of primary records.