

Part of the Bentham family tree, based on our findings during the class this winter/

John Bentham was an itinerant shoe maker who lived at Douk Ghyll cottage. He was blind in one eye. He used to leave home on Monday and go round the farms making boots and shoes. He returned on Friday night having earned 1/6d a day. Some farms gave him food and lodgings for this work.

His wife Sarah (or Sally) looked after a family of five, but still had time to knit stockings for the gentry of the day. She earned more money than her husband. She attended church every Sunday and always sat in the small pew on the right of the aisle. Sally and John both died within a month of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The village collected and bought an album and Jack Foster inscribed all the names of the collectors inside.

# BENTHAM

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## 1. of Studfold

Thomas Bentham of Studfold = Elizabeth  
d. 1543

John William Allan

? Bentham = Jane d widow 1598

Alice =  
John Twistleton  
(? of Sherwood House)

Elizabeth =  
Brian Hesleden =  
(2) Anne

John of Studfold = Alice  
senior, d 1598

Elizabeth Jane Margaret  
servants of Brian Hesleden of  
Brackenbottom when he died 1610

William = Jane  
d 1632

William Alice Elizabeth

also John Bentham of Studfold Adm. 5 Oct 1609 granted to his  
widow Elizabeth Bentham  
and Lawrence Bentham of Studfold Adm. 1616 granted to William Bentham.

## 2. of Selside

John Bentham of Selside = Ellen  
died 1669

Thomas Agnes

Robert Burton

wife

Thomas of Selside d 1719

Isabel

= Simon  
d. 1772

Elizabeth =  
Francis Whaley

Jane =  
Procter of Studfold

Isabel d 1747

Mary  
= Robert  
Merealf

Jennet =  
Thos Dowbiggin  
who d. 1774  
without sons

Elizabeth

Mary  
= Edmund Coat  
of Studfold

other dau