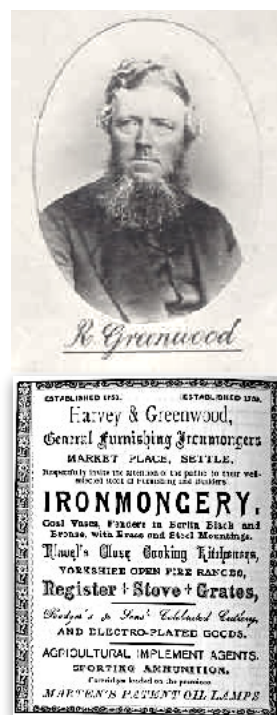


## The Greenwoods, good professional folk

Edward Greenwood and his wife Jennett Hargreaves farmed in Wigglesworth whilst bringing up eight children. Three of those children made it to Settle. By the time of the 1841 census eldest son **Richard Greenwood** [ph1], was working on Constitution Hill as a servant to **Ann Horner**, a spinster originally from the Middlesborough area. (Ann Horner died in 1857 leaving all her goods to the Zion chapel but was buried in an unmarked grave in Giggleswick graveyard.) A fellow servant was a widow, **Ann (Armitstead) Proctor**, from Horton-in-Ribblesdale, who had a daughter also called **Ann Proctor**. A month after the 1841 census return Richard married the daughter Ann. Ann's father, **Robert Proctor**, had been buried, aged 27, on 8 March 1817, the same day that she was baptised in Horton-in-Ribblesdale. Somehow Richard found the funds to buy the property between the Old Naked Man and the Royal Oak in the Market Place, along with **Thomas Anderson Harvey**, his Scottish partner in an ironmongery business [LSA]. Thomas also worshipped at the Zion Chapel and was later buried there.



While Thomas Harvey lived at the business property Richard, Ann and four children lived in Chapel Square and then Duke Street. In 1842, Richard was appointed clerk to Holy Ascension church, with a salary of £7 – a nice supplement! He was also a churchwarden during the 1850s, another paid role. Later in life he was a director of Settle Gas Company.

In September 1866 Richard's partnership with Thomas Anderson Harvey was dissolved. Richard was 56, so quite young to retire, however his daughter **Isabella Greenwood** had died in 1865, aged 17, which may have affected his decision. His wife Ann died soon after in April 1867. Ann's grave also contains daughter Isabella and Ann's mother, Ann Proctor who died in 1883 in Wigglesworth. The memorial stone is badly laminated may have had their names inscribed onto it as well.



*In affectionate remembrance of Ann wife of Richard Greenwood. (Died April 1867, aged 50) E12.*

Understandably, Richard decided to move away for a fresh start, to Kendal, with the three remaining children. Richard invested his business proceeds into property, generating more income. He died relatively soon after, in 1872, in Kendal. Richard was brought back to Settle for burial with his wife, daughter and mother-in-law.

There were brains and money in this family – after all they could afford a memorial stone. After he died, Richard and Ann's spinster daughters lived together in Kendal with the income from investments in Kendal and son **Richard Hargreaves Greenwood** became a solicitor in Kendal and had five children with his wife **Lillie Braithwaite**. They gave their sons some wonderful names, including **Basil Proctor Greenwood** and **Ranolph Nelson Greenwood**, and they became solicitors, clergymen and an Egyptian civil servant. It was probably Richard Hargreaves Greenwood that arranged for his father's body to be taken back to Settle for burial.

Incidentally, Ann's mum, Ann (Armiststead) Proctor was the sister of **Christopher Armitstead**, a labourer whose horrific story presents a very different side of Victorian life. He married **Martha Hesleden**, and, after the death of two infant daughters, they moved from Horton to Langcliffe for work in the mills. Christopher was in Langcliffe at the time of the May 1841 census with four children and his mum **Ann**

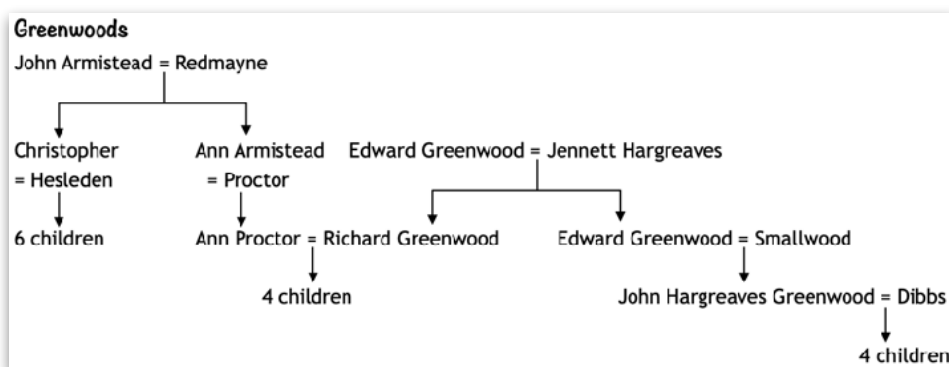
|                        |    |                   |
|------------------------|----|-------------------|
| Christopher Armitstead | 45 | Langcliffe        |
| Mary                   | 40 | 15 Collyer's Lane |
| William                | 18 |                   |
| Mary                   | 7  |                   |
| Lady Armitstead        | 4  |                   |
| Ann Armitstead         | 70 | Langcliffe        |

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**(Redmayne) Armitstead.** Where was wife Martha? She had died a few weeks before, aged 38 and was buried in Settle graveyard in an unmarked plot, Ancient *grave DX8*. (Holy Ascension church arranged for burials from Langcliffe until St John's church was built in 1851.) Christopher and Martha's ten year old son, **William Armitstead**, died on 28th July the same year, 1841, and was buried nearby. Christopher's dad had also died the previous year in Giggleswick workhouse and so was buried in Giggleswick churchyard.

Christopher himself died later in 1841, on 2nd September the same year and was buried with son William leaving **John, Mary and Betty** orphaned. Perhaps mum Ann Armistead, in her 70s, was able to look after the children? Daughter Mary died in January 1842, aged 19. Mum Ann Armitstead died in January 1845, aged 74. Now orphaned, daughter **Betty Armitstead** died in Giggleswick workhouse in April 1849, aged 14 and is buried in Giggleswick churchyard. Within this family five children, Christopher, Martha and both of Christopher's parents died within the space of eight years. There are no burial records for daughter Mary, or mum Ann, so what happened to their bodies? There are no gravestones, newspaper cuttings or obituaries for families like these, but they are just as an important part of Settle's heritage. Infections were the cause of more than 50% of deaths in those years. It's probable that disease, linked to poverty, wiped out this whole family.

The observant reader will notice that Christopher and Martha's youngest child, **John Armitstead**, didn't die. Hurrah, he survived! What happened to him? Somehow, he managed to secure a tailoring apprenticeship providing him with the prospects of a well paid career. He married **Margaret Dickenson** of Kildwick and they had one son, **Arthur Hudson Armitstead**, but, sadly, he died before his first birthday. After this John and Margaret took the tailoring business to Birmingham and then Worcester with both of them tailoring. At the time of the 1881 census they even had a female apprentice, **Sarah Ann Newell**. (Sarah Ann went back to live with her parents afterwards and then married, so that was the end of that.) John and Margaret died within months of each other in 1906, aged 69 and 70 respectively. They really deserved to have a happy life, didn't they?



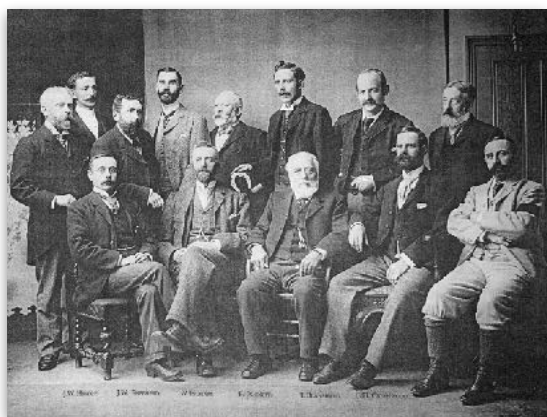
Meanwhile, Edward and Jennet Greenwood's third son, **Edward Greenwood**, had quite a different life. By the time of the 1851 census Edward was a house servant to **Charles Ford**, a magistrate, in Sandbach, Cheshire. A fellow servant was **Hannah Smallwood**, a Cheshire boatman's daughter. A year later they married and had their only child, **John Hargreaves Greenwood** [ph3]. Soon after marrying, Edward secured a job as a bank porter in Burnley where they lived until they retired to Morecambe. Hannah died in 1890, aged 73 in Morecambe. Then, Edward went to live with his sister **Jane (Greenwood) Leech** and her farming family in Gisburn. Edward died in 1897, aged 78. Edward and Hannah are buried together in Settle in the Old graveyard B9.



*In loving memory of Hannah wife of Edward Greenwood of Morecambe who died May 11th 1890 aged 74 years. Also of the above Edward Greenwood who died April 15th 1897 aged 79 years, Old B9*

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Why were they both brought to Settle for burial when neither had lived here? Their son **John Hargreaves Greenwood** became a bank clerk at the Yorkshire Bank. At the time of the 1861 census he lived at the bank in the Market Place [ph2], together with a young **Thomas Dixon** who later became the bank manager of Settle's Craven Bank on Duke Street. John worked for the bank manager, **Charles Benson**, the father of **Mary Benson**, a legend of Settle Amateur Operatic Society and then **John Edward Hindle**. Both John Edward Hindle and John Hargreaves Greenwood appear to have managed the financial affairs of Australian entrepreneur and businessman **Edward Duckett**. In 1897 Edward returned to Settle, his home town, to sort out some business matters and had his photo taken with other local businessmen [ph3], some of whom contributed to his business. The photo was taken soon after Edward's death in April 1897, hence John's black armband to signify mourning. A full account of the people in the photos is provided separately.



| BALANCE SHEET of the SETTLE TEMPERANCE HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED,               |             |
|---|-------------|
| Made up to 31st December, 1892.   |             |
| Dr.   | Cr.         |
| <b>Capital and Liabilities.</b>   |             |
| Capital £5000 in shares of £1 each of which 2500 shares have been allotted. | £ 5,000 0 0 |
| To 1st Call of 10/- on 2500 shares  | 1,250 0 0   |
| „ 2nd Call of 5/- paid on 2500 shares                                       | 1,250 0 0   |
| „ Arrears of 2nd Calls  | 45 5 0      |
| <b>Debts owing by the Company:</b>  |             |
| For Furniture   | 11 0 0      |
| Other Debts   | 43 12 10    |
| Outstanding Cheques   | 25 0 0      |
|   | £1862 18 0  |
| <b>Property and Assets.</b>   |             |
| By Furniture and Fittings   | £ 82 15 0   |
| „ 2nd Calls still to receive  | 45 5 0      |
| Cash Balance with the Craven Bank Limited at Interest                       | 1,722 10 10 |
| Balance   | 12 6 8      |
|   | £1862 18 0  |

I have examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Settle Temperance Hotel Company Limited, as at 31st December, 1892, and I hereby certify that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet is a full and true Balance Sheet, properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs.

JOHN A. GREENWOOD, Auditor.

In 1877, John married **Emla Dibbs** a butcher's daughter from Leeds. They moved to live in New (Station) Road Settle, next to coal merchant **Abraham Smith**, with their family of four children. In 1883, and probably for several later years, John Hargreaves Greenwood was the auditor for Settle Temperance Hotel in Commercial Yard, one of the first 'Temperance Hotels' [ph4]. It would have been while John Hargreaves Greenwood was in Settle that the grave plot for his parents was purchased. However in 1899, John won promotion to the post of Bank Manager of the Bank of Liverpool in Clitheroe and had to resign as secretary to the Chess club after 26 years! [LSA] John and Emla retired to Southport which is where they were buried, without filling the spaces in his parents' grave in Settle. John left a healthy estate to his children.

16. Annual Meeting of the Members of the Chess Club at Settle, when Mr. J. H. Greenwood resigned the office of Secretary and Treasurer, which appointment he had held for the past twenty-six years.—Annual Meeting of the Giggles.

Talking of the children, John and Emla's eldest daughter, **Ethel Dibbs Greenwood**, married a veterinary surgeon, **Arthur Edgar Roberts**, from Clitheroe and they had a daughter. John and Emla's eldest son was **Percy Whiteley Greenwood** who became another bank cashier and married **Susanna Helena Samuel** from Stockton-on-Tees. They retired to Stockport. Second daughter, **Florence May Greenwood**, married **Leighton Airey**, a Navy Captain. John and Emma's youngest son, **Victor John Greenwood**, was 32 when he was killed on the western front on 18 April 1918. He was a lieutenant in the Royal Fleet Auxiliary which provided operational support to the Navy, including his brother-in-law, obviously. Four years previously Victor had married **Geraldine Grennan** and they a daughter, **Emla Frances Greenwood** in 1916. After Victor's death Geraldine married a doctor, **Arthur Homeland** and they emigrated to Australia with little Emla and a son of their own. Unfortunately, they divorced nine years later on the grounds that Geraldine had deserted Arthur — she said she didn't like Australia! After this, Geraldine returned to Surrey with her daughter.

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Going back a generation, Edward and Jennet Greenwood's eldest daughter, **Ellen Greenwood**, married **Richard Clark**, a farmer and joiner and brother of Settle's immensely successful farmer **Thomas Clark**. Unsurprisingly, the Clarks have their own account.

Another member of the Greenwood family, probably unrelated, was **John Greenwood** from Horton-in-Ribblesdale. His account is included with that of his wife **Ellen Hartley**.



*This account has been compiled by Sarah Lister as part of the Settle Graveyard Project which has recorded gravestone inscriptions, updated church records and researched the lives of those buried. It has been written in good faith with no offence intended. If I have inadvertently included errors or breached any copyright I apologise and would welcome corrections.*

*Life stories can be found on [dalescommunityarchives.org.uk/settle graveyard project](http://dalescommunityarchives.org.uk/settle-graveyard-project). The 'Old Settle' family tree on [ancestry.co.uk](http://ancestry.co.uk) includes the families buried in the graveyard. The project is ongoing and welcomes queries and information on [settleresearch@gmail.com](mailto:settleresearch@gmail.com). Latest news and events are on the Facebook page 'Settle Graveyard Project'.*

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