

The Dugdales

The Dugdale/Dugdills are part of the backbone of 19th and 20th century Settle and many descendants still live in the area. One branch of the Dugdales included generations of successful farmers in Gargrave and Malhamdale. **William Dugdill** and his wife **Elizabeth Throup** married in Gargrave in 1773 and they farmed in Flasby/Winterburn. One very wealthy son, **Matthew** [ph1] had a portrait painted and left an estate of nearly £5,000 when he died in 1863, worth millions at today's value.



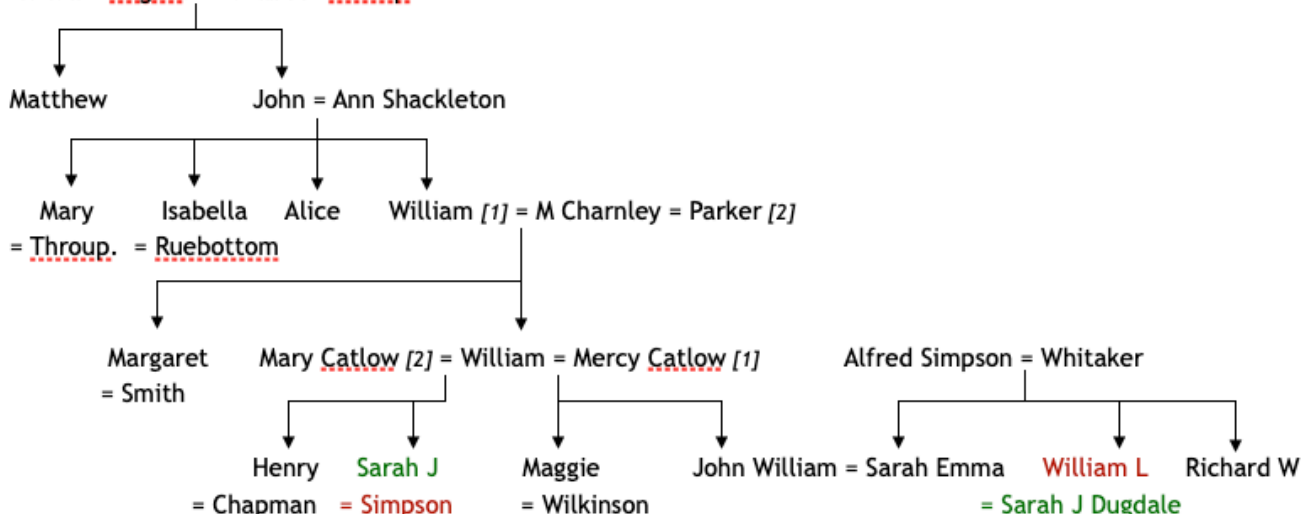
William and Elizabeth's son **John Dugdill** worked in Malhamdale with his wife, **Ann Shackleton** and a large family. John and Ann's daughter, **Mary Dugdale**, became the first wife of a Long Preston corn miller, **Matthew Throup**, who could have been a relation. Unfortunately Mary died after the birth of her third son, another **Matthew Throup**, aged 31 and Matthew (Snr) remarried. John and Ann's daughter **Isabella Dugdale** married **Roger Ruebottom** whose sister **Isabella (Ruebottom) Hartley** ran the Golden Lion in Settle for decades. Roger lived right next door to the Lion and was integral to its success, especially after Robert died. John and Ann's youngest daughter, **Alice Dugdale**, remained a spinster. She worked in domestic service for many years but spent her last years with her nephew **William Dugdale** who we will meet soon. Tragically Alice had an awful death in March 1908, 'accidentally burnt to death' [LSA] in when she was 89. The coroner explained that her clothing, which would probably included crinolines and a large voluminous skirt, was set on fire causing her to be burned to death.

6. Death of Mr. John Procter, of Bentham (formerly of Mill Dam), in his 79th year. Annual Meeting of the members of the Bentham Agricultural Society.—Miss Alice Dugdale, of the Terrace, Settle, was accidentally burnt to death.—The Bishop of Knaresborough held a Confirmation Service in Clapham Parish Church.

By her adventure set fire to her clothing & was burned to death

Dugdale/Dugdill Family Tree

William Dugdill = Elizabeth Throup



John and Ann's son, **William Dugdale**, inherited from his grandfather, **John Shackleton** and married **Margaret Gill Charnley** from Bolton in Kirkby Malham in 1826. Margaret and her brother **John Gill Charnley** were the illegitimate children of **Sarah Charnley**, fathered by **John Gill**. In 1827 William

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and Margaret's daughter, another **Margaret Dugdale**, was born and baptised in Giggleswick, with William's occupation described as an innkeeper in Settle. The 1828 trade directory reports that 'Wm Dugdill' was to be found at The Talbot (and excise office). The family were in Skipton for the birth of son, **William Dugdale**, a few years later. After a few years living off

TAVERNS & PUBLIC HOUSES.
Black Horse, John Waller, Giggleswick
Hart's Head, Rbt. Garstrang, Giggleswick
Joiners' Arms, Thomas Bowskill, Settle
Naked Man, Eli Harger, Settle
New Inn, William Brown, Settle
Royal Oak, Joseph Harger, Settle
Spread Eagle, Robert Atkinson, Settle
Talbot (& excise office) Wm. Dugdill, Settle
White Horse. Ellen Bowskill. Settle

the Dugdale inheritance in Malham the family returned to High Hill in Settle, William working as a butcher alongside many others in the Shambles. William was only 49 when he died in 1853. In 1861 Margaret became the second wife of **Stephen Parker**, an incredible businessman and builder whose family suffered the most appalling tragedies in earlier times. They lived at Sutcliffe buildings next to the Folly — Stephen had previously built Sutcliffe buildings. Margaret and William were buried with their daughter Margaret back in Kirkby Malham. Daughter Margaret died six years after her marriage to **Joseph Smith**, a Keighley grocer.

In remembrance of William Dugdale of Settle who died December 30th 1853 aged 50 years, Also Margaret wife of Joseph Smith of Keighley and daughter of the above who died October 20th 1866 aged 39 years. Also Margaret wife of the above William Dugdale who died at Settle January 12th 1889 aged 80 years.

William and Margaret's son **William Dugdale** married **Mercy Catlow** in 1857 at Giggleswick church in Settle. Mercy was the youngest daughter of a farmer, **John Catlow**, and his wife, **Elizabeth Wade**, who were wealthy farmers at Carleton near Skipton. Mercy's brother, **John Wade Catlow** married **Jane Grange**, the fifth daughter of **James Aerton Grange**, late of the magnificent Riddlesden Hall, near Keighley, now owned by the National Trust. James was still living at Riddlesden when he died, aged 57 in 1840, four years before this wedding. John and Jane had a more modest living.

William worked as a butcher and cattle dealer in Upper Settle and Mercy had four children but died in 1861, aged 34, at the birth of twins, **John William** and **Mary Dugdale**. Little Mary also died and they were buried together at the Zion chapel. Undaunted, William married Mercy's elder sister, **Mary Catlow** who had another two children. It was actually illegal to marry a deceased wife's sister until an act in 1907 but as William and

Mercy, wife of William Dugdale, Settle, was interred at the Independent Chapel, October 30th 1861, aged 35 years,
by J. Compston, Minister.
And Mary, infant daughter of the above, was interred at the same

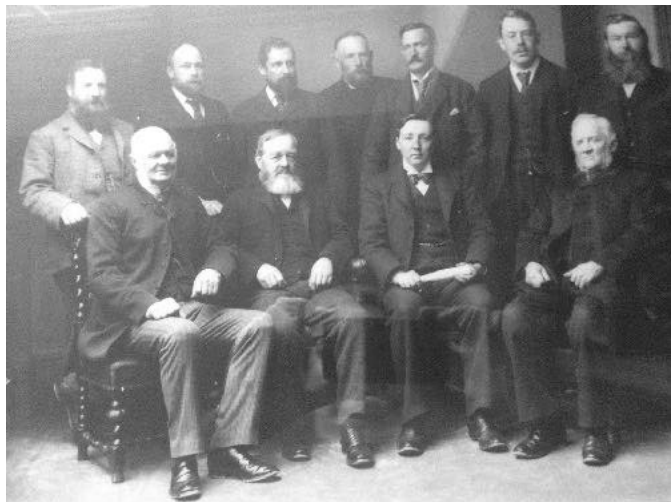
Mary married at the Zion chapel rather than the established church, perhaps no-one was bothered about that? After this second marriage William and the family lived at Sutcliffe buildings, owned by step-father **Stephen Parker**, and then moved to one of the extravagant houses at The Terrace on Duke Street in the good company of neighbours such as the **Shepherds** and **Richard Redmayne**. William must have been doing well.

William was a successful farmer by now, often winning awards at the Agricultural Shows for his sheep and cattle and judging at others. He was a vice-president of the Christmas Fat Stock show in the 1870s and 80s with fellow committee members **Thomas Holden**, **William Towler** and **John Richards** [6]. This had entries from farmers, cattle dealers and butchers from several counties. Unfortunately, in 1885 William lost 20 of his herd of 189 cattle to foot and mouth disease [3]. He will have received some compensation.

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William was on the first Parish Council in 1894, seated front left along with other notable Settle folk including **Thomas Clark, GK Charlesworth, John Lord, Thomas Holmes, Thomas Harger, John and Joseph Parker, Charles John Lord and John Delaney.** [ph5].

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE IN YORKSHIRE.—
The number of animals declared to be affected with foot-and-mouth disease at Settle has increased almost daily since the first case was reported a week ago. Up to last evening the return of animals suffering from the disease was as follows : On the farm of Messrs J. & T. Lord, one cow ; on that of Messrs Wm. Dugdale & Son, 20 cows. The total number of cattle on the farm of the Messrs Dugdale is 189 head.



William died in 1909, aged 77 and Mary followed in 1911, aged 86. They were buried in the Zion chapel graveyard with infant Mary and his eldest daughter, **Mary Louisa Dugdale** who died aged 21 in 1879.

William and Mercy's daughter **Margaret (Maggie) Dugdale** married **Frederick Wilkinson** from Bradford who worked as a coal agent in Ulverston. He served all stations on the Furness railway. Frederick was the brother of **Ann Wilkinson**, the second wife of Settle's successful coal dealer, **Abraham Smith**.

William and Mercy's remaining twin **John William Dugdale** also started life as a butcher. It wasn't until 1896, at the age of 35, that he took the plunge to marry. His wife was **Sarah Emma Simpson** who had moved to Settle from Staffordshire with her parents and seven siblings. Her father, **Alfred Simpson**, took over the licence of the Golden Lion from **Miss Wooliscroft** in 1887.



Unfortunately, Alfred died in 1889, aged 51, but widow **Emma (Whitaker) Simpson** continued to run the Golden Lion for a few years. Later Emma moved to live with son John William Dugdale at the Ashfield Hotel. Emma died in 1905, aged 73. Alfred and Emma were buried in Long Preston graveyard (for some reason, thought to be because of a cousin living there) with a gravestone commemorating the lives of several children, two sons dying abroad.

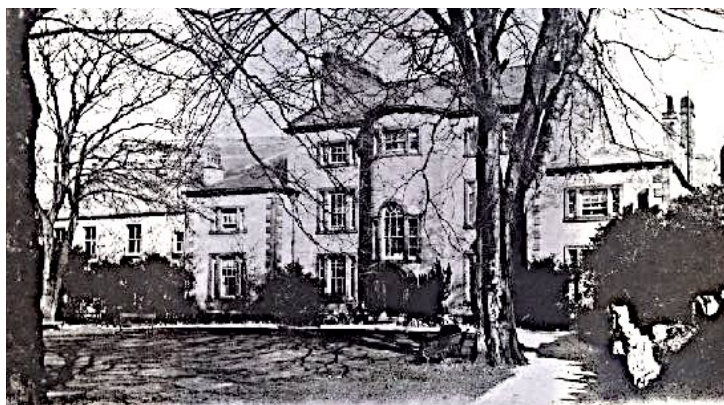


In loving memory of Alfred Simpson of Settle who died October 18th 1889 aged 52 years. Also Emma wife of the above died April 18th 1905 aged 74 years 'At rest'. Walter Leonard, third son of the above born February 1864 died at Johannesburg South Africa April 1895. Also Alfred fourth son of the above born August 27th 1866

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died at Warrnambool Australia August 28th 1902. Also Arthur Ryan Simpson. Also Sarah Dugdale. Also William Lewis Simpson. Also Albert Edward Simpson. Also Richard Whitaker Simpson youngest son of the above, died March 23rd 1908 aged 38 years interred at Anfield Cemetery, Liverpool.

John William and Sarah Emma took over the running of the Ashfield Hotel [ph2, LSA] from widow **Mary (Cooper) Armistead** in 1897. Mary and her husband **Henry Armistead** had previously run the Golden Lion too. It's a small world. The Ashfield had been for sale for three years, advertising '*pleasantly situated in its own grounds, close to the Midland Railway. Contains 5 entertaining rooms, 17 bedrooms, good Private Bar, Smoke Room, Billiard Room, large room used as Masonic Lodge, stabling for 20 horses ...and a large lawn suitable for a bowling green.*' It was also suggested the Ashfield would make an excellent hydropathic establishment.



ASHFIELD HOTEL, SETTLE, YORKS. J. W. Dugdale, Proprietor. HOUSE NO. 10, SETTLE. TELEPHONE NO. 5.

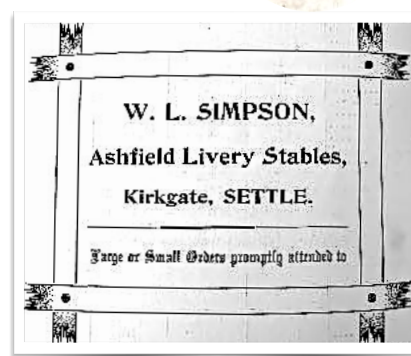


The composer Edward Elgar was known to visit Settle regularly to stay with his friend **Dr Charles William Buck**. Elgar married **Caroline Alice Roberts** in May 1889. During visits after the wedding Elgar and his wife stayed at the Ashfield, although Caroline was not impressed, apparently!

In the end the Ashfield was bought by **Rev W J Birkbeck** whose grandfather, **William Birkbeck**, had originally built it! Rev Birkbeck was a staunch supporter of Temperance and so the Ashfield's licence was revoked. John William and Sarah Emma were the perfect couple to run it as a Temperance Hotel. Their gardener was **Charlie Green** who, helpfully, left a diary about his work. He reported '*Thursday mornings jobs varied, very often with JW Dugdale at the Ashfield Hotel, during bedding out time and other special jobs. JWD was very fond of flowers and very artistic in many ways. I was always sure of a good dish of soup when working there. Mrs Dugdale was a splendid food provider and very kind with it, a very motherly person. . . JWD was always fond of garden parties and knew how to make them a success.*' [A]

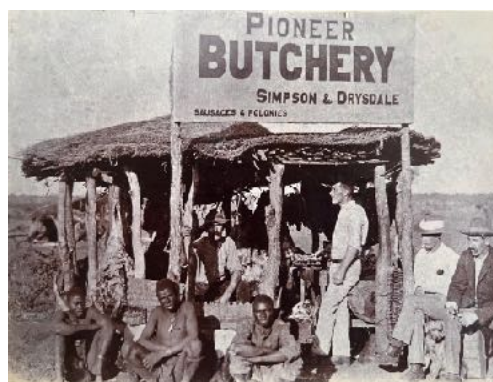


John William [ph2] and Sarah Emma [ph5] didn't have children of their own but helped to bring up nieces and nephews, children of her brother **Richard Whitaker Simpson** and, for a short time, a son of **William Louis/Lewis Simpson**. William Lewis/Louis Simpson worked as a '*livery stable keeper*' for John William and Emma at the Ashfield [LSA]. In 1897 he married **Sarah Jane Dugdale**, daughter of William and Mary Dugdale. During the early 1900s William Lewis/Louis and Sarah Jane emigrated to Johannesburg but possibly returned for



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Mary (Catlow) Dugdale's funeral in 1911 and their son temporarily lodged with Sarah Emma and John William Dugdale. The photo was found in paperwork handed down in this family [ph2] and, even though the exact circumstances are not known, presents a fascinating portrait of some aspect of family life in Johannesburg.



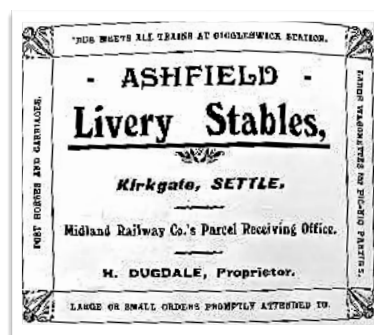
Sarah Emma's brother **Richard Whitaker Simpson**, a butcher died in Liverpool in 1908 aged 38. Richard left his wife, **Emily Vickers**, with six children, although one daughter, **Eva Simpson**, had died 25 minutes after birth and is buried in the unmarked grave *Old CX51*. Richard and Emily's eight year old son **Richard Stanley Simpson** was found in Giggleswick hospital at the time of the 1901 census. Uncle and aunt John William and Sarah Emma Dugdale looked after him at the Ashfield afterwards. Richard's luck took a turn for the better when he married **Ann Iveson Corney**, the daughter of **John James Corney**, the successful partner at the Brassingtons Bridge End Mill. Richard worked as the headmaster of a public elementary school in Liverpool.



John William and Sarah Emma Dugdale were buried in the grave *Old F58* with an impressive stone in the style of mason John Hardy.

***In Loving Memory of John William Dugdale Died June 23rd 1911 aged 49 years
Sarah Emma, his wife died Nov 5th 1924 aged 59 years***

William and Mary Dugdale's other child was **Henry Dugdale**. For a short while Henry took over the Ashfield livery stables when brother-in-law William Lewis/Louis Simpson moved to Liverpool [LSA]. In 1888 Henry married **Alice Chapman**, daughter of a successful farmer **John Burton Chapman** and his wife **Mary Carr** who owned land around Wharfe and Austwick. Alice's brother was **John Carr Chapman** who married **Elizabeth Ann Parker**, a son of **Joseph Parker** of the Lodge Farm and granddaughter of Stephen Parker, the second husband of Margaret Gill Charnley (above). Between them, these two couples and their families farmed Cleatop Farm, south of Settle. Descendants of the family remember that children had to get to Upper Settle for school so rode their ponies over the fields to Lodge Lane and Watery Lane. They left ponies at Dog Meadow, also owned by the families and then collected them to go home [ph2].



In 1938 Henry and Alice celebrated their Golden Wedding, at the Ashfield and the Zion chapel, of course. It was explained that Henry was the 'senior partner' of 'Dugdale and Chapman' farmers and cattle dealers who had 'long enjoyed a high reputation' [4].



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The Dugdale and Chapman families even retired to live together at Barnstead on Stackhouse Lane. Their children all had successful lives, here and abroad. Henry and Alice were buried with Henry's family at the Zion chapel.

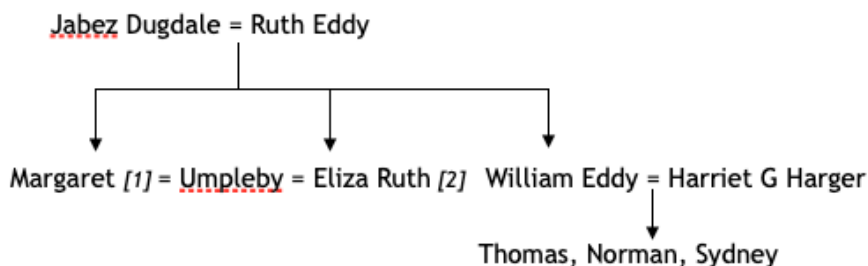
In memory of Mercy Dugdale, wife of William Dugdale, Settle, who died the 28th day of October 1861, aged 35 years. Also Mary, infant daughter. Also Mary Louisa Dugdale, eldest daughter of the above who died the 23rd day of June 1879, aged 21 years. Heaven's my home. Also of the above William Dugdale who died at the Terrace, Settle, September 21st, 1909 in his 78th year. Also of Mary his widow who died March 8th 1911 in her 87th year. 'Peace, Perfect Peace.' Also Alice, 50 years loving wife of Henry Dugdale of Barnstead, Settle who died July 10th, 1938 aged 74 years. Also the above Henry Dugdale who died Jan 15th, 1954 aged 89 years.



Three quarters of a century after these Dugdales appeared in Settle, another, unrelated Dugdale family arrived. **Jabez Dugdale** arrived in Settle from Lancaster in the early 1900s with his wife, **Ruth Eddy**, a son and two daughters. Jabez was the son of baker/flour dealer **John Dugdale** and his wife **Margaret Swindlehurst** from Bashall Eaves, Clitheroe and Warton, Lancashire. Both John and Margaret were illegitimate children. Ruth was the daughter of a Penrith coal agent.

At the time of the April 1901 census the family were in Lancaster with Jabez working as a draper's assistant. Like his namesakes, Jabez was a nonconformist, regularly preaching at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel in Lancaster. By 1902 the family were in Settle with Jabez working as an auctioneer. One of Jabez' most lucrative transactions must have been in 1902. Jabez ran an auction to 'a fairly numerous assemblage' at the Conservative Club Assembly Room to sell of the property from the estate of **James Twisleton**. He sold six cottages in Church Street in Giggleswick to **Dr Charles William Buck** for £355. A cottage and the common lodging house in Upper Settle were sold to **James Foster**, butcher for £321. The 12 cottages in Twisleton's Yard were sold to **John Moore**, the draper, for £295. A cottage with warehouse, gig-house and stable adjoining Twisleton's yard was sold to **John Bell**, the joiner for £92. This generated £1263 worth £165,000 at today's value [5]. Wow! Jabez would have taken a good commission on that!

PROPERTY SALE.—On Saturday last, Mr. Jabez Dugdale, auctioneer, acting under instructions received from the executors of the late Mr. James Twisleton, of Settle, offered for sale some freehold and leasehold cottages situate in Settle and Giggleswick. There was a fairly numerous assemblage of the public at the Conservative Club Assembly Room, where the sale took place. Lot 1, a cottage in Main-



At the time of the 1911 census the family lived in Halsteads on Duke Street. Jabez and Ruth's daughter **Margaret Swindlehurst Dugdale** married **Thomas Harold Umpleby**, the son of a Methodist minister, **Rev Henry Umpleby**, born in Lancaster. Thomas was a bank clerk and began his career in Undercliffe, Bradford. During the war Thomas served in the Royal Army Medical

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Corps in France, in the expeditionary force, and then in Salonica. Private Umpleby had a catalogue of medical issues whilst on service ranging from boils and carbuncles, scabies and infections before finally being injured so badly that he had to have his left arm amputated.

In 1919 Thomas had married **Florence Beatrice White**, the daughter of a Bradford Police Sergeant but she died in Settle in 1920. Thomas married Margaret in 1922 and they lived at 14 Craven Terrace to have their family. Margaret died in 1953. Two years later, aged 66, Thomas married Margaret's younger sister, **Eliza Ruth Dugdale**, aged 59. She had a career as a clerk, living in 'Robin Hill' on Constitution Hill. Thomas died in 1959 and Ruth in 1969.

The girls's brother, **William Eddy Dugdale**, continued the auctioneering business alongside his job as a ventilation engineer [ph4]. He ran his business, with his sons when they were old enough, from a number of shops currently occupied by the furnishing store next to Bar 13, The House That Jack Built on Kirkgate (top shop), and the shop above Victoria Hall, still known as Dugdales. He also had a shop adjacent to Creative Hair on Kirkgate. He had a tinsmith workshop at Batty Court, behind Halsteads Cottages built by **Joseph Stammer Metcalfe** [ph2].

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William married the girl next door, literally. While the family lived in Halsteads their neighbours were **Thomas Harger**, of the fretwork specialists company and his wife, **Annie Wildman**, and their adopted daughter **Harriet Gertrude**. Thomas had built the Halstead row of houses (and Prospect Terrace) a few years previously. Harriet Gertrude Dalby was the youngest of eight children of **George Dalby**, a coke foreman and his wife **Sarah Ann Harrison** in Leeds. George died when Harriet was about nine months old and Sarah Ann followed when Harriet was two. It's not clear how Harriet ended up with the Hargers. Her older siblings were all looked after by aunts and uncles, still in Leeds. William and Harriet Dugdale lived at the grand Overdale on Duke Street to bring up their three sons, **Thomas Harger Dugdale**, **Norman Swindlehurst Dugdale** and **John Sydney Dugdale**, known as Tom, Norman and Sydney.

William Eddy's obituary described he was the principal of the 'Dugdale Manufacturing Co' electrical engineers of Settle, Bentham and Ingleton and had worked as a ventilation engineer for

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42 years. He was also a local preacher with responsibilities at St John's Methodist Church on Church Street (now demolished). He was a founder member of the Rotary Club, a Freemason, a member of Settle Golf Club and Bowling Green and an active member of the amateur dramatic societies [4]. A busy man! Their son Tom continued the business and son Norman ran the shops in Bentham and Ingleton.

MR. W. E. DUGDALE.
Following a long illness, the death occurred yesterday (Thursday) week, of Mr. William Eddy Dugdale, at his residence, "Overdale," Settle. He was the principal of The Dugdale Manufacturing Co., electrical engineers, of Settle, Bentham and Ingleton, and for 42 years was a ventilating engineer in the district.

Jabez and Ruth Dugdale were buried in *Old H40* when they died aged 60 and 59 respectively. Harriet Gertrude, aged 84 and William Eddy Dugdale, aged 64 were buried in *New F13*, son Norman and his wife, **Iris Ivy Twells** in *New F62*



In Affectionate Remembrance of Jabez Dugdale Died June 15th 1919 aged 60 years

In memory of William Eddy Dugdale died 8th July 1948 aged 64 years and his wife Harriet Gertrude Dugdale died 14th August 1965 aged 84 years

William Eddy and Harriet's son **Thomas Harger Dugdale** married

May Lambert from the **Lambert** family of printers. Son **John Sydney Dugdale** [ph6]

travelled the world as a professor of Physics and is listed in Canada's 'Who's who' biographical dictionary as a 'noteworthy physics educator.' From Giggleswick School he went to Oxford, his studies interrupted by serving as a radar officer in a number of European countries during the war. After completing his doctorate John Sydney took up a position in Canada and was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society. During the 1960s he took up a position at Leeds University and, amongst many other responsibilities, became the Cavendish Professor, publishing numerous well regarded texts on the electrical properties of metals and alloys and thermodynamics. He was

'a wise and congenial colleague and an excellent physicist.'



Despite all his travels, John Sydney was buried back in Settle after a funeral at the Methodist Church. His gravestone inscription is very helpful!

In loving memory of John Sydney Dugdale, Professor of Physics, aged 83, 10th February 1922 - 30th October 2005, and his beloved wife Barbara Baird Dugdale, nee Henderson, aged 90, 31st March 1922 - 2nd June 2012.



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.

The life stories of people with italicised names have been researched as part of the graveyard project and can be found on dalescommunityarchives.org.uk/settle-graveyard-project. The 'Old Settle' family tree on ancestry.co.uk includes the families buried in the graveyard. The project is ongoing and welcomes queries and information on settlersresearch@gmail.com. Latest news and events are on the Facebook page 'Settle Graveyard Project'.



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