# The Hanson family of Norwood Green

Very few memorial inscriptions in the churchyard give any indication as to what a person's occupation or profession was. Below is an image of one of the exceptions, a slightly eroded memorial inscription below a cross. There are two similar crosses on two Hanson plots which are either side of the hard path in the middle section of the churchyard just before it turns towards the old sexton's house, Till Carr Cottage.



The letters M.R.C.V.S. inform us that Abraham Edward Hanson was a Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. His obituary appeared in the Brighouse News on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 1907.

THE LATE Mr. A.E. HANSON. The remains of the late Mr. A. Hanson, M.R.C.V.S., were laid to rest in the Lightcliffe Old Church Cemetery on Monday last. Old friends acted as bearers, Coun. J.B. Carter and Mr Levi Wells attended as School companions. The deceased gentleman was the eldest son of the late Jesse Hanson, veterinary surgeon, Norwood Green. He was educated at Hipperholme Grammar School and Edinburgh University and was for a number of years a prominent member of Yorkshire Veterinary Medical School held in Leeds. Mr Hanson died after a short illness, leaving a widow and one daughter to mourn his loss.

He was a descendant of 'Cow Doctors' who worked for the Walkers on the Crow Nest estate.

There are a number of Hansons with connections to St. Matthew's Church in Lightcliffe including some late seventeenth century burials. Robert Hanson who died in 1688 lost his wife Esther and daughter Judith in 1674, probably an example of the perils of childbirth in those days. However, it is extremely unlikely – and very difficult to check - that the family of Robert and Esther Hanson of Hove Edge were related in any way to the Hansons of Norwood Green whose family story will now be told.

This Hanson story does not start in Lightcliffe but in Lower Moor and Wyke. It has been researched by Mary Twentyman who very kindly sent us details of the extended Hanson family with evidence from a family bible, Wibsey Chapel (later Holy Trinity, Low Moor) records and Lower Wyke Moravian Church records. Mary even highlighted those Hansons with Lightcliffe connections for which I am more than grateful and which kick started this article.

Our 'starting' Hanson is Edward Hanson (1752 – 1808) who in 1781 married Elizabeth Wigglesworth – a name that would reappear a generation later. Edward was a butcher from Birstall so probably living in Wyke as Mary Twentyman noted. Elizabeth was 'of Hipperholme' which probably starts the connection with this area. Son Thomas was baptised on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 1783 in Halifax and another son William was baptised at Wibsey Chapel on 24<sup>th</sup> September 1786.

In 1810 within four weeks of each other these two brothers married two Empsalls in St.John's Church Halifax. The brides were not sisters – one could write her name, the other made her mark – but were perhaps second cousins. Their family story will be told later as again there are a large number of Empsalls or Emsalls or Elmsalls or .... (there are many variations in spelling) with Lightcliffe connections.

Thomas Hanson married Mary Empsall, the daughter of William and Hannah Empsall, on 10<sup>th</sup> September 1810. He was a butcher from Norwood Green. Their daughter Betty was baptised at Lightcliffe on 31<sup>st</sup> January 1813 but died on 12<sup>th</sup> February 1814. She was buried with her maternal grandparents in plot H\*21 of St. Matthew's churchyard on 16<sup>th</sup> February 1814. Her mother would join her on 10<sup>th</sup> March 1820 having died aged 48 on 7<sup>th</sup> March 1820. A year later on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1821 Thomas Hanson remarried. He and his second wife Rebecca née Highley had three daughters and two sons all baptised at St.John's Coley. But when the eldest daughter, another Betty died aged just 11 months she was also buried in Lightcliffe churchyard but in an unknown plot on 15<sup>th</sup> January 1824.

Mary Twentyman notes that

Thomas is usually said to be a butcher and / or farmer but in the census of 1831, he is said to be an innkeeper for the first time. It is probable that he farmed and was a butcher at the Old White Bear as well as an innkeeper. His wives may have actually been the person behind the bar.

Subsequent censuses confirm this and give more family details.

<u>1841 census</u>		<u>1851 census</u>
Thomas Hanson	55 Publican & Butcher	Thomas Hanson Head 67
Rebecca Hanson	50	Innkeeper, Butcher & Farmer of 15 acres
Ellen Hanson	16	employing 1 outdoor labourer
Thomas Hanson	12	Rebecca Hanson Wife 62
Henry Hanson	10	Thomas Hanson Son 21
Rebecca Hanson	8	Butcher & Cattle Dealer
Address Norwood Gre	een, Brighouse	Henry Hanson Son 19 Bookkeeper
		Rebecca Hanson Dau 17 House Servant
		Sarah Parkinson Servant 30 General Servant
		James Briggs Servant 26 ditto
		Address
		Norwoodgreen, Hipperholme cum Brighouse

Rebecca Hanson's death was announced in the *Bradford Observer* 28<sup>th</sup> June 1855.

On Thursday last Rebecca aged 66, wife of Thomas Hanson, farmer and butcher of Norwood Green

A year later when Thomas Hanson died, he was buried with Rebecca in the small cemetery of Mount Zion Chapel in Bramley Lane, Lightcliffe with this memorial inscription.

#### IN REMEMBRANCE OF THOMAS HANSON OF NORWOOD GREEN WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MARCH 25TH 1856 AGED 72 YEARS. ALSO REBECCA HANSON WIFE OF THE ABOVE WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JUNE 14TH 1855, AGED 66 YEARS.

Younger brother William Hanson married Sarah Em(p)sall on 20<sup>th</sup> August 1810 also at St.John's Church, Halifax. Both were from Hipperholme, and William was described as being a 'Farrier'. Sarah was the daughter of Abraham and Martha Empsall of Hipperholme, both of whom were buried in the churchyard. Their story will follow later.

St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe was where Sarah was baptised on 1<sup>st</sup> February 1789 and then where she had a son Abraham Em(p)sall baptised on 16<sup>th</sup> October 1808, two years before she married William. There is, of course, no way of knowing whether William Hanson was the little chap's father. Six Hanson children with parents William and Sarah were also baptised at Lightcliffe, Edward on 18<sup>th</sup> November 1810, John on 29<sup>th</sup> March 1812, Betty on 12<sup>th</sup> December 1813, Robert on 21<sup>st</sup> January 1816, Wrigglesworth on 24<sup>th</sup> June 1821 and finally Nathan on 15<sup>th</sup> January 1824. The family's abode was Norwood Green and father, William, was a butcher for the first four Hanson baptisms before being recorded as a 'Cow doctor' in the 1820s.

As the parish record below shows Sarah's eldest son used the name Abraham Empsall when he married Mary Ann Woodhead on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1831 in Halifax.

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However, when they baptised their eldest son, William Hanson, on 15<sup>th</sup> April 1832 at St.John's Church, Coley as you can see the surname Hanson was used.

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Coley was where Abraham's sister Elizabeth (Betty) Hanson had her son Empsall Hanson baptised on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1834. No baptism record has been found for Abraham and Mary Ann's son Jesse Hanson born Q3 1837. Meanwhile Abraham's brother Edward, another butcher, had married Sarah Wormseley on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1836 in Halifax. By 1841 Edward and Sarah Hanson with two children were in Leeds where they lived for the rest of their lives and where this article will leave them. Edward followed the family's innkeeper and butcher occupations.

When Abraham and Mary Ann's six-year-old son William Hanson died on 12 March 1838 he was buried at Lightcliffe on16th March 1838. A transcription of a ledger stone (page 10) that starts with this little chap's name exists, but the ledger stone has not been found.

This left the following Hansons in Norwood Green on census night 6<sup>th</sup> June 1841.

1841 census William Hanson 55 Farmer & Cow Doctor Sarah Hanson 50 Betty Hanson 25 Wigglesworth Hanson 20 Blacksmith Nathan Hanson 15 Empsall Hanson 7 Address Norwood Green

1841 censusAbraham Hanson30 Farmer & Cow DoctorMary Hanson30Jesse Hanson3Address Norwood Green

Abraham and William Hanson's households are listed next to one another on the census form with the two other Hanson brothers two households away. In between was a 'Grocer' Nathan Ellis and his family. One of the Ellis sons was a

1841 censusJohn Hanson30 BlacksmithRobert Hanson25 ButcherAddress Norwood Green

Butcher's Assistant.

The detailed accounts drawn up by Samuel Washington, the Crow Nest land agent for Ann Walker in the 1840s, show William Hanson being paid for attending as a 'Cow Doctor'.

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When his daughter Betty married William Asquith on 31<sup>st</sup> May 1843 William Hanson was described as a 'Farrier'. Similarly, this was the occupation of father and son when Wrigglesworth Hanson married Sarah Jowett on 13<sup>th</sup> December 1847 again at St. John's, Halifax. Their eldest son William was baptised at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1849, again Wigglesworth 'of Lightcliffe' was a 'Farrier'.

No surprise then as to the family's occupations on the 1851 census.

<u>1851 census</u>	Again, Abraham and William's families are			
William Hanson Head 64	next door to one another with Robert Hanson			
Horse Farrier employer of 4	not far away in Norwoodgreen (as written on			
Sarah Hanson Wife 63 House Work	the census form)			
John Hanson Son 39 Blacksmith	1851 census			
Nathan Hanson Son 29 Butcher	Robert Hanson Head 35 Butcher			
Address	Address			
Norwoodgreen, Hipperholme cum Brighouse	Norwoodgreen Hipperholme cum Brighouse			
1851 censusAbraham Hanson Head43 Horse FarrierMary HansonWife41 House WorkJesse HansonSon13 Scholar & LabourerAddressNorwoodgreen, Hipperholme cum Brighouse	1851 censusWigglesworth Hanson Head 26Sarah J Hanson Wife38William Hanson Son1Address Hipperholme			

When Sarah Hanson née Empsall, known as Sally, died on 24<sup>th</sup> November 1858, she was buried by the western wall in Lightcliffe churchyard in plot AA\*2 on 30<sup>th</sup> November 1852. The parish record gave her age as 69 although the memorial inscription clearly says 'Aged 70 years'.



She would have most likely met a grandson Osbert, Wigglesworth and Sarah's second son, baptised at St. Matthew's on 11<sup>th</sup> April 1852 and their third son Fred baptised on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 1854. Three-year-old Osbert Hanson died on January 1855 and was the first burial in plot MM\*7 in the old section of Lightcliffe churchyard on 28<sup>th</sup> January 1855.

When Nathan Hanson married Rachel Sucksmith on 6<sup>th</sup> March 1853 he was recorded as being a 'Maltster' on the parish marriage record. Both he and Rachel were 'of Hipperholme' which probably included Norwood Green with 'Farmer' being the occupation of both fathers.

Rachel Sucksmith was baptised at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe on 13<sup>th</sup> August 1826, the youngest daughter of labourer John Sucksmith of Norwood Green and his wife Rachel.

[Again, there are a large number of Sucksmiths connected with Lightcliffe churches and churchyard. The stories of

# Privates Aaron, Walter and Leonard Sucksmith

and their link with

### Private James Smallwood

have already been written up but other Sucksmiths appear in other articles.]

Labourer Nathan Hanson of Wyke and Rachel baptised a son Willie and a daughter Sally at St. Matthew's Church on 12<sup>th</sup> April 1857 and 9<sup>th</sup> January 1861. But then they too buried 3-year-old, another Willey Hanson, on 9<sup>th</sup> January 1861 in Lightcliffe churchyard.



When Robert Hanson married Martha Wormersley on 6<sup>th</sup> April 1857 in Halifax he was described as a 41-year-old 'Butcher' and his father was a 'Surgeon' presumably a veterinary surgeon. This was the given occupation of his older brother and nephew when Jesse Hanson married Mary Ann Hemingway again in Halifax on7<sup>th</sup> November 1860

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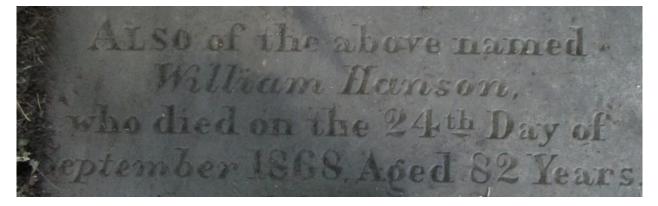
<u>1861 census</u> William Hanson Head 72 Farmer 5 acres John Hanson Son 50 Blacksmith Address Norwood Green, Hipperholme cum Brighouse	<u>1861 census</u> John Womersley Head 81 Retired Farmer Robert Hanson Son in law 43 Butcher Martha Hanson Wife 50 Grocer Address Norwood Green
<u>1861 census</u>	<u>1861 census</u>
Abraham Hanson Head 54 Veterinary Surgeon	Wigglesworth Hanson Head 36
Mary Ann Hanson Wife 52	Butcher & Farmer
Address	Sarah Hanson Wife 46
Norwood Green, Hipperholme cum Brighouse	Willie Hanson Son 11
	Fred Hanson Son 6
<u>1861 census</u>	Address Lightcliffe, Hipperholme cum Brighouse
Jesse Hanson Head 24 Veterinary Surgeon	
Mary Ann Hanson Wife 22 Dress Maker	<u>1861 census</u>
Address	Nathan Hanson Head 38 Wheel Bar ?owler
Norwood Green, Hipperholme cum Brighouse	Rachel Hanson Wife 35
	Sally Hanson Dau 9/12
As usual these three Hanson households were next door to one another in Norwood	Address New Road, Storr Hill, Wyke,

Veterinary surgeon Jesse Hanson and his wife, Mary Ann, of Norwood Green had their first two children, Abraham Edward and Emily, baptised at St.John's, Coley on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1862 and 8<sup>th</sup> May 1864. But their sons Arthur and Ernest Willie are recorded on parish records for St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe as having been baptised aged 21 and 17 respectively at the Norwood Green Mission Room on 9<sup>th</sup> July 1888. Father Jesse was once again a veterinary surgeon of Norwood Green. Their mother's name was expanded to Mary Ann Lister Hanson.

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Jesse's father, Abraham Hanson, passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> March 1862 aged 54 years. He was buried with his baby son, another William, in a plot that we have not found although it was clearly visible and had its memorial inscription transcribed (page 10) in the early 1930s. And interestingly his name was transcribed as Abraham Empsall Hanson although just Abraham Hanson appears on his parish burial record and when his death was registered in the Halifax district. No probate record has been found.

Widower William Hanson who had been a farmer, cow doctor and horse farrier died on 24<sup>th</sup> September 1868 aged 82. He was buried with his wife in plot AA\*2 on 27<sup>th</sup> September 1868.



Yet another William Hanson – I know, there are too many – this one known as Willie, the eldest son of 'Veterinary Surgeon', Wigglesworth Hanson, married Mary Starkey at Huddersfield on 18<sup>th</sup> July 1870. He was a 'Groom', later a 'Coachman' and a 'Horsekeeper'.

1871 censusMary A Hanson Head 61Jessie Hanson Son 33Veterinary SurgeonMary A Hanson Daughter-in-law 32A E Hanson Grandson 9ScholarEmily Hanson Granddaughter7Arthur Hanson Grandson 6Address Norwood Green

<u>1871 census</u> John Hanson Head 54 Blacksmith Address Norwood Green

1871 censusJohn Womersley Head91 ShopkeeperRobert Hanson Son-in-law 52 Retired ButcherMartha Hanson Dau59Address Norwood Green

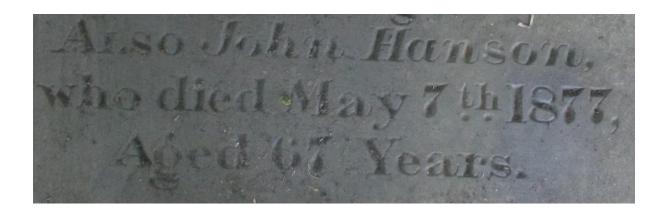
1871 censusWigglesworth HansonHead 45Veterinary Surgeon & ButcherSarah HansonS4Fredy HansonSon15Address50 Bradford Rd., Hipperholme cum Brighouse

Wigglesworth and Sarah's eldest son Willie and his wife Mary have not been found in 1871.

#### <u>1871 census</u>

Nathan Hanson Head 46 Labourer Rachel Hanson Wife 44 Furrier Sally Hanson Dau 10 Scholar Address Brick Hill, Wyke

More Hansons were buried in St. Matthew's churchyard in the 1870s. The bachelor blacksmith, John Hanson, was buried with his parents on 10<sup>th</sup> May 1877 in plot AA\*2.



His sister-in-law Mary Ann Hanson née Woodhead died on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1878 aged 68 years. She was buried with her young son and husband, Abraham (Empsall) Hanson, on 28<sup>th</sup> March 1878 in the plot that has yet to be found. Then younger brother 56-year-old Nathan Hanson of Wyke died on 10<sup>th</sup> October 1878. He was buried on 12<sup>th</sup> October 1878 with his infant son, Willey, in another Lightcliffe plot that has yet to be found. Again, the memorial inscription was visible and transcribed in the early 1930s.

Then there were these and other newspaper reports.

#### Bradford Observer

# 04 August 1880

#### SHOCKING ACCIDENT AT LIVERSEDGE

- Yesterday a fatal accident befell Fred Hanson, aged twenty-three years, the son of Mr Wrigglesworth[sic] Hanson, veterinary surgeon, of Brighouse. It appears that a spirited horse, on which he was proceeding to the Stanley Colliery at Liversedge, suddenly shied and fell with its rider under it. The accident was noticed by the colliers, who went to Hanson's assistance. Whilst being assisted into the office he asked to sit down , and had barely seated himself when he expired. The body was removed to the White Hart Inn, Hightown, to await an inquest.

#### Brighouse & Rastrick Gazette

07 August 1880

# FATAL ACCIDENT TO A BRIGHOUSE YOUNG MAN

On Tuesday afternoon an accident with fatal results occurred to Fred Hanson, a young man well known throughout the neighbourhood, living in Gooder Lane, Rastrick. It appears that for some time Hanson had been suffering from rheumatic gout and had been laid up. Not many days ago a lady sent a pony to be broken in by Hanson, who, although having given up the breaking in of horses, promised to break in this particular one, and for that purpose he took the pony out on Tuesday. Arriving at the Stanley pit, Hightown, the pony reared and fell crushing Hanson severely. He was at once conveyed to the Company's offices but died almost immediately. The pony was not in any way dangerous, Hanson having had many worse under his control.

A coroner's inquest was held at the White Hart Inn, Hightown, Liversedge, before the coroner (Mr Taylor), on Tuesday afternoon. The jury having been sworn appointed Squire Naylor foreman and proceeded to view the body after which

Sarah Hanson, the wife of Wigglesworth Hanson, farrier of Goodyer Lane, Rastrick, sworn, said the deceased was 26 years old, and assistant to his father. He was her youngest son and lived with them. He has been laid up for some weeks with rheumatic gout but had been able to go about for the last few weeks. About a fortnight ago a pony twelve and a-half hands, and three years old was sent to her husband to be broken in for a lady. It was kept in a loose box and was not out after last week until Tuesday morning. Deceased left home about twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning to get the pony and go to the Stanley pit, Hightown. She had not seen him alive after.

[Another witness gave this evidence]

He sat down his forehead was bleeding profusely. He put his hand to it and then tried to draw out his handerkerchief out of his pocket to wipe his forehead. He succeeded in getting his handkerchief half way out when his hand fell, and he appeared to faint. I tried to give him some water. He lived about twenty minutes.

### [And finally]

After a brief consultation, it was not thought necessary for a doctor's evidence, the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death from the falling of a pony."

On 7th August 1880 this young man was buried with his older brother, Osbert, and an Emma Jowett, his half-sister, in plot MM\*7 of St. Matthew's churchyard, Lightcliffe.

See Jowett aside page 12.

A few months later his sixty-three-year-old uncle Robert Hanson was buried at St.John's Coley on 29<sup>th</sup> January 1881. Robert's probate record tells you more.

The Will of Robert Hanson formerly of Norwood Green in Hipperholme cum Brighouse in the Parish of Halifax afterwards of Beck Hill in North Brierly in the Parish of Bradford but late of Norwood Green both in the County of York Butcher who died 27 January 1881 at Norwood Green was proved at the Principal Registry by Martha Hanson of Norwood Green Widow the Relict and Malcolm Kellett of Beck Hill Labourer the Executors. Personal Estate under £20.

Wigglesworth and Sarah Hanson's oldest son, Willie and his wife Mary née Starkey had two sons and two daughters. Ernest Starkey Hanson was baptised at Rastrick on 17<sup>th</sup> March 1872 when his father was a 'Groom' so presumably this was where his parents were in 1871. But then they moved to Manningham, Bradford where Walter Herbert, Edith Ivy and Florence were baptised on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1874, 6<sup>th</sup> February 1876 and 6<sup>th</sup> April 1879 respectively.

This left the following Hansons in these households on census night 1881.

1881 census Abraham Edward Hanson was studying to be a qualified veterinary surgeon. Jesse Hanson Head 43 Veterinary Surgeon Mary A.L. Hanson Wife 42 Throstle Nest, Norwood Green would be this Abraham E. Hanson Son19 family's home for some years. Student at Edinburgh's New Veterinary College Emily Hanson Dau 17 Walter (Herbert) Hanson born 8th January Arthur Hanson Son 13 Scholar 1874 was with his paternal grandparents. Ernest Hanson Son 9 ditto Address Throstle Nest, Norwood Green 1881 census Willie Hanson Head 31 1881 census Domestic Servant (Coachman) W(rigglesworth) Hanson Head 58 Farrier V.S Mary Hanson Wife 31 Sarah Hanson Wife 66 Ernest S. Hanson Son 9 Scholar 7 Scholar Walter Hanson Grandson Address Gooder Lane, Rastrick

Edith I. Hanson Dau 5 ditto Florence Hanson Dau 2 Address 25 Conduit St., Manningham, Bradford

A year later 44-year-old Jesse Hanson died on 5<sup>th</sup> October 1882. He was buried with his parents and young brother on 10<sup>th</sup> October 1882. The memorial inscription taken in the early 1930s reads

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM THE SON OF ABRAHAM AND MARY ANN HANSON OF NORWOOD GREEN WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MARCH  $12^{TH}$  1838 in the  $7^{TH}$  year of his age

Also of ABRAHAM EMPSALL HANSON V.S. FATHER OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED MARCH  $5^{TH}$  1862 aged 54 years

#### ALSO OF MARY ANN WIFE OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup> 1878 AGED 68 YEARS

# Also of the late JESSE HANSON Veterinary Surgeon son of the above who died October $5^{TH}$ 1882 aged 44 years

His probate was proved on 24th February 1883

The Will of Jesse Hanson late of Throstle Nest Norwood Green in the Township of Hipperholme-cum-Brighouse in the County of York Veterinary Surgeon who died 5 October 1882 at Throstle Nest was proved at the Principal Registry by Mary Ann Lister Hanson of Throstle Nest the Relict the sole Executrix. Personal Estate £47 10s 6d

According to his memorial inscription and his probate record Wigglesworth Hanson died on 19th December 1889. This is also given as his burial date on transcribed burial records. He was buried with two of his sons in plot MM\*7.



Probate was not proved until 1893

WIGGLESWORTH HANSON of Rastrick, Yorkshire veterinary surgeon 19 December 1889 Administration Wakefield 2 October (1893) to Sarah widow Effects £240

After Wigglesworth's death his widow Sarah then seems to have taken in boarders perhaps because her eyesight was failing. Jesse's widow Mary Ann Lister Hanson has not been found on the 1891 census. Her grown up children were again in the Norwood Green property, Throstle Nest, perhaps she was there too but just missed off the record.

<u>1891 census</u>				
Abraham Hanson Head 29	Wigglesworth's and Sarah's only surviving			
MRCVS Veterinary Surgeon	son was in Bolton with another son, Fred, and			
Emily Hanson Sister 27 S	a newborn baby, Ethel. They were probably too far away to look after his widowed			
Arthur Hanson Brother 21				
Veterinary Surgeon Apprentice	mother.			
Ernest W Hanson Brother 19	1004			
Butcher's Apprentice	1891 census			
Address	Willie Hanson Head 41 Head Groom			
Throstle Nest, Norwood Green (Private House)	Mary Hanson Wife 41 Wife			
	Ernest Starkey Hanson Son 19			
<u>1891 census</u>	Employed at Dye Works			
Sarah Hanson Head 77	Walter Herbert Hanson Son 17 ditto			
Retired Domestic servant partially blind	Edith Ivy Hanson Dau 15			
Hannah M Sutcliffe Boarder 27 Charwoman	Machine Wool Comb worker			
Willie Sutcliffe ditto 23	Florence Hanson Dau 12 Scholar			
Cam? Teamer at chemical works	Fred Hanson Son 9 ditto			
Edgar H Sutcliffe ditto 6	Ethel Hanson Dau 1/12 Infant			
Address Gooder Lane, Rastrick	Address 24 Bolton Hall Rd., Bolton			

Eighty-one-year-old Sarah Hanson née Jowett died on 15<sup>th</sup> July 1894. She was buried with her husband, two sons and a daughter on 19<sup>th</sup> July 1894 in plot MM\*7.

#### IN MEMORY OF OSBERT THE SON OF

#### WIGGLESWORTH AND SARAH HANSON OF LIGHTCLIFFE

#### WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JANUARY 23<sup>RD</sup> 1853 AGED 3 YEARS

#### ALSO OF EMMA JOWETT

#### WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE NOVEMBER $22^{ND}$ 1858 aged 19 years

#### ALSO OF FRED SON OF THE ABOVE

#### WHO DIED AUGUST 3<sup>RD</sup> 1880 AGED 26 YEARS

#### ALSO OF WIGGLESWORTH HANSON

#### WHO DIED DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 1889 AGED 67 YEARS

#### ALSO OF THE ABOVE NAMED SARAH HANSON

#### WHO DIED JULY 15TH 1894 AGED 81 YEARS

#### A Jowett and Berry aside

As previously recorded Wigglesworth Hanson's wife was Sarah Jowett. She was the eldest of two daughters of William and Mary Jowett. Both were baptised at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe, Sarah on 6<sup>th</sup> June 1813 and Nanny on 25<sup>th</sup> February 1816. The family's abode was 'Birkhouse' and then 'Wool Row' and on both occasions William was a 'Labourer'.

Nanny Jowett married William Berry on 6<sup>th</sup> November 1834. He was a 'Land Surveryor' who became the 'Innkeeper' of The Sun Inn opposite the churchyard where many of his family were buried.

The Berry family story has already been told as has that of two great grandsons

#### Corporal Kenneth and Gunner John R Berry

Before Sarah married Wigglesworth Hanson in 1847, she had a daughter Emma Jowett who was baptised at St. Martin's Church, Brighouse on 11<sup>th</sup> August 1839. The transcription of the baptism record gives the father's address as 'Woodhouse Rastrick' although the father's name was apparently crossed out. For the 1841 census a two-year-old Emma Jowett was living with two 50-year-olds, 'Farmer' William Jowett and his wife Mary in Upper Woodhouse, Rastrick.

William Jowett died on 4<sup>th</sup> March 1850 in Woodhouse, Rastrick but he was buried on 9<sup>th</sup> March 1850 in Lightcliffe churchyard in plot A\* 7. His widow continued to farm. Notice the Berrys and a Beecroft who lived with her in the various censuses.

<u>1841 census</u> William Jowett 50 Mary Jowett 50 Emma Jowett 2 Adress Upper Woodhouse, Rastrick

#### <u>1851 census</u>

Mary JewettHead62 Farmer 8 acresEmma JewettGranddau 11Lewis BerryGrandson 1Anne BeecroftVisitor20Address UpperWoodhouse, Rastrick

1861 censusMary JowettHead74Farmer of 9 acresLouisa BerryGranddauWilliam PawsonServant52Address Woodhouse, Rastrick

1871 censusMary JowettHead84 Farmer of 10 acresWilliam Pawson Boarder 62LabourerAddress Woodhouse, Rastrick

When Mary Jowett died on 8<sup>th</sup> November 1872 she was buried with her husband and sisterin-law just across the road from The Sun Inn.



IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM JOWETT OF WOODHOUSE RASTRICK WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH 1850 AGED 66 YEARS

TAKE YE HEED WATCH AND PRAY FOR YE KNOW NOT WHEN THE TIME IS, LEST COMING SUDDENLY HE AND YOU SLEEPING

ALSO OF MARY DIXON OF BRADFORD SISTER OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED ON THE  $19^{TH}$  OF SEPTEMBER 1856 IN THE  $78^{TH}$ YEAR OF HER AGE

ALSO OF MARY WIDOW OF THE ABOVE WILLIAM JOWETT WHO DIED NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 1872 AGED 87 YEARS

1841 census Mary Dixon 60 Ind Address Clarence St next to Victoria Place, Bradford

This appears to be William Jowett's sister widow of Mr Dixon

1851 censusMary DixonHead 72 Widow AnnuitantElizabeth Beecroft Visitor 32Ann BeecroftDauElizabeth BeecroftDauAddress 69 Victoria St., Bradford

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