

The Dickinsons of High Flatts, Sheephouse and Thurlstone

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The ensuing sections are descriptive rather than anecdotal. Their aim is to help clarify, as simply as possible, the various relationships within the family over successive generations without confusion.

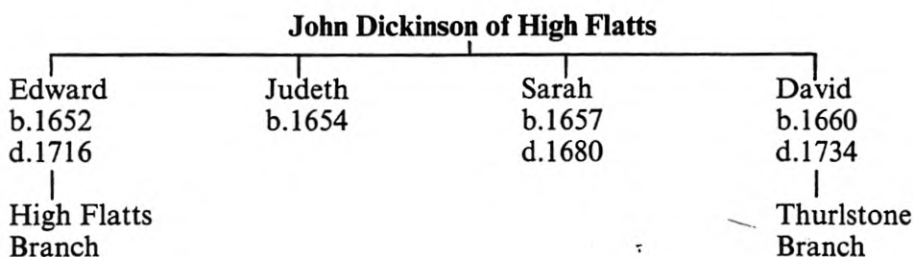
There appear to have been two distinct branches of the Dickinson family residing in Denby and High Flatts during the mid-seventeenth century. One of these, that of John Dickinson, can be traced quite clearly. The other branch, that of Henry Dickinson of High Flatts, (not to be confused with his namesake at Sheephouse near Penistone), is poorly documented.

Henry Dickinson of High Flatts

Henry Dickinson, a linen weaver at Denby, was a contemporary of John Dickinson of High Flatts and Henry Dickinson of Sheephouse. (Whether the three were related is unclear). Henry is recorded as having at least two sons but he may have had more: both Joshua (b.1661) and Joseph (1663-1667) are clearly recorded as his sons. A second Joseph (b.1665) is also attributed to Henry Dickinson but this could be a transcription error when the births and deaths register (QBBREG1) was compiled. A Henry (b.29/12/1667) is also a possible son but no extant evidence links the two.

John Dickinson of High Flatts

John Dickinson (d.1687) is a shadowy figure about whose life very little can be established. A John Dickinson is mentioned in the earliest surviving minute belonging to Pontefract MM. Dated the 5th day of the 4th month 1672 it mentions him '*disbursing 10s to John Swift of Denby.*' This John Dickinson was the father of Edward Dickinson (1654-1716) and David Dickinson (1665-1727) from whom two distinct Dickinson genealogies can be mapped. He had other children besides: Judeth (b.1657), who was named after her mother, Sarah (b.1660), Matthew (1663-1677) and Jonathan (1669-1670). The family genealogy of Edward Dickinson and David Dickinson, the younger brothers of John Dickinson, are well documented.



The Descendants of David Dickinson

David Dickinson was a clothier and is recorded as having married Martha Horsfall of York in 1691. They settled at Birkhouse where their children are recorded as having been born.

David Dickinson I m. Martha Horsfall

Sarah	b.1692
David	b.1694
Mary	b.1695
Edward	b.1700 m.1727 Ann Jepson (1)
Lydia	b.1702
Enoch	b.1708 m.1734 Mary Ellis (2)

(1)

Edward Dickinson m. Ann Jepson

(Resided Hoyland Swaine)

Martha	James
b.1728	b.1732
	(m.1758 Hannah Kay) (1A)

(2)

Enoch Dickinson m. Mary Ellis

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Sarah	b.1735	
Hannah	b.1736-7	
Benj.	b.1738	
Thomas	b.1740	m.1769 Hannah Roberts (2A)
Enoch	b.1743	
David	b.1746	m.1769 Martha Haigh (2B)

(1A)

James Dickinson b.1732-d.1818 m. Hannah Kay b.1735-d.1818

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(Resided at Folly between Thurlstone & Ingbirchworth)

Sarah	b.1759
James	b.1761
Edward	b.1763
Ann	b.1766
John	b.1768
Samuel	b.1771
Caleb	b.1773
Joshua	b.1777
Hannah	b.1780

(2A)

Thomas Dickinson b.1740-d.1797 m. Hannah Roberts b.1749-d.1794

CLOTHIER

(Resided at Belroyd/Bellroid nr. Scouts Dike and Folly)

Jonathan	b.1771
Amos	b.1772-d.1779
Esther	b.1774
Mary	b.1775
Gideon	b.1777-d.1779
George	b.1779-d.1782
Hannah	b.1783
Thomas	b.1785-d.1785
Elizb.	b.1789-d.1792