



The Brougham's of Huddersfield and Collingham

## Preface

David Brougham first started down the family history trail following a visit to his namesake village in Cumbria. He was put in touch with the one name genealogist, Peter Brougham Wyly, who encouraged David to find out more about the Huddersfield Broughams. Peter had researched many Broughams but had not been able to place the Broughams of Huddersfield in West Yorkshire, England. David, with the help of Peter, set out on the quest. David's interest in Family History gripped him and he has been hooked ever since. Sadly, Peter is no longer with us, but his research is documented in *A Gathering of Broughams but not a clean sweep* which he published in 1998. His research notes can be found in the Cumbria Records Office in Carlisle.

In his research Peter describes some of the Huddersfield Broughams in his Waifs and Strays chapter. This publication hopefully sheds more light on the Huddersfield and Collingham Broughams advancing this section of Peter's work. This research covers the Late 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Although the author has further information beyond this time, it is not published here to protect the privacy of individuals living today. David documents the Huddersfield Broughams and tries to understand the links with the Broughams of Collingham, a small rural village south of Wetherby, where they moved from during the middle of the Victorian period.

The author manages the website, [AllThingsBrougham.co.uk](http://AllThingsBrougham.co.uk), where further information on the wider Brougham family can be found, together with general articles on Family History, and a scan of Peter's work which has been published by kind permission of his daughter.

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Front Picture: *4 Generations of Brougham*.

James Brougham (1838-1912), Daughter Eliza BROUGHAM (1869-1953), granddaughter Florence HAIGH (1890-1984), and great grandson, Harry KNIGHT (b1911)

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# The Brougham's of Huddersfield and Collingham

The Brougham's of Huddersfield and Collingham are not an unusual bunch, but their down to earth and varied life was full of intrigue, wheeling and dealing, and illegitimate children that tried to be covered up so as not to shame their family name. They lived in local communities and were a good representation of the hard life that working class Yorkshire families in the Victorian and early 20<sup>th</sup> century experienced.

Despite their locational name of Brougham, so far, we have not been able to trace them back to the Brougham village in Cumbria. The earliest records locate them to West Yorkshire. How they started up in Collingham we do not know. These Brougham's tend to pursue occupations that are prevalent in the local area – in this case, mainly as agriculture labourers, and later on, many are associated with the woollen mills of West Yorkshire which dominated the area in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early to mid-20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Other professions such as that of a Blacksmith, Stone dresser and Maltster are followed.

There was a move by some Brougham's from Collingham to Huddersfield – probably seeking work but we cannot be certain. There are gaps in the relationships and parentage cannot always be certified which includes numerous illegitimate births. As with most families, records are not complete.

There are two family groupings, those headed up by George Brougham in Collingham (1784-1845) and those of James Brougham (1838-1912) who was born in Collingham but moved to Honley at some point, probably with George Brougham Jnr, in the mid 1850's, and heads up the Huddersfield Broughams. So far, we haven't been able to confirm what the bloodline is between the two groups but they are joined at the hip, even living in the same homes at times, but somehow we're missing the vital family link.

## The Collingham Broughams – George and Mary

Collingham is a rural village, 12 miles north of Leeds, 2 miles south west of Wetherby. It sits in the Vale of York in the middle of prime agricultural land.

George BROUGHAM was born abt. 1784 – the exact location is not known. He married Mary COURTNEY 1783-1870 on the 28 July 1807. Together they had 10 children. George died in 1845 and was buried on 17 April 1845 in Collingham. We do not know of George's parents or how he came to be in Collingham or the surrounding area. Nor have we identified any siblings. From the 1841 census we know that George was a Maltster, from his wife's death certificate we know he was also a farm labourer. The brewing industry was growing in this agricultural area due to the local supply of grain and changes in the law in 1830 which opened up the market. Leeds, Wetherby and Tadcaster all had their own large brewing companies. Local brewing continued to serve the needs of local public houses, many of whom continued to make their own beer. We do not know exactly where George was employed, other than what he did.

Mary COURTNEY 1783-1870, George's wife, we know was born in Collingham and baptised on 26 February 1786. She is the daughter of Henry COURTNEY from Spofforth, northwest of Wetherby, and Mary BROWN from Collingham; they were married on 11 January 1779 in Collingham. Mary COURTNEY, we know had at least 2 siblings, John COURTNEY (b1789) and William COURTNEY (1793-



1796). Following the death of her husband, the widowed Mary COURTNEY became a charwoman according to the 1851 census, living in Collingham with her son George BROUGHAM. It was her son, George, who registered her death, she was 87 and died on 30<sup>th</sup> April 1870, the cause of her death simply being senile decay.



*Figure 1 - St Oswald's Church, Collingham, West Yorkshire*

George and Mary's 10 children:

1. Elizabeth BROUGHAM (b1807). The only information we have is that Elizabeth was baptised in Collingham on 29<sup>th</sup> November 1807.
2. Jane BROUGHAM (b1809 in Aberford) is an assumed daughter of George and Mary. Jane has two children out of wedlock.
  - a. Alice BROUGHAM (1829 – Jan 1900). Alice is baptised on 5 April 1829 in Collingham, goes on to marry Richard CHAMBERS (b1827) and have the following children:
    - Thomas CHAMBERS (b1855 Bilton)
    - Ann CHAMBERS (b1860 Kirk Hammerton)
    - Richard CHAMBERS (b1862 Rillington)
    - Alice CHAMBERS (b1869 Rillington)
    - Rhoda CHAMBERS (b1872 Ayton)

b. Charlotte BROUGHAM (b1834) No further Information

Jane goes on to marry William APPLETON (b1813 in Knaresborough) on 4 November 1835, at St Oswald's Church in Collingham. William is a Rail Labourer according to the 1851 census. The two have three children together.

- a. 2.3 William APPLETON (b1846 in Knaresborough)
- b. 2.4 Ann APPLETON (b. Abt. 1849 in Knaresborough)
- c. 2.5 John APPLETON (b1852 Knaresborough)

3. Sarah BROUGHAM (b1812 in Aberford, d. March 1882 in Knaresborough). She married WILLIAM BALDWIN in Jun 1840. He was born about 1821 in Knaresborough, Yorkshire, England.

4. Isabella BROUGHAM (b1814). She was living at the same address as George and Mary Brougham at the time of the 1841 Census.

- a. Isabella has a daughter, Elizabeth BROUGHAM, who was baptised 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 1841 at St Oswald's Church, Collingham. We believe Isabella was not married at the time as there is no mention of a father on the baptism certificate and the child takes her mother's name.

do	George Brougham	50	Master	12
	Mary	50		12
	Isabella	27		12
	George	13		12
	Abner	12		12
	James	7		12
	Elizabeth	4		12

Figure 2 - The 1841 Census return for Collingham showing George Brougham and the family living with him at the time.

5. Ann BROUGHAM (b. Abt. 1815) (At the time of her marriage she was 25 which suggests her DoB). She married Thomas DAWSON, son of John DAWSON, on 07 Jun 1840 in St Oswald, Collingham, Yorkshire, England. He was born in 1819. We have identified one child so far, Mary DAWSON born in 1840.

6. Mary BROUGHAM (b1820 in Collingham)

7. Ellen BROUGHAM (b1823 in Collingham, d Dec 1882 in Kirk Deighton). She married Matthew AIRAY on 25 Sep 1847 in Collingham, Yorkshire, England. He was born about 1814 in Fewston, Yorkshire, England. He died in Sep 1891 in Wortley (1838-1974), Yorkshire - West Riding, United Kingdom. Matthew AIRAY and Ellen BROUGHAM had 4 children.

- a. MARY<sup>3</sup> AIRAY was born about 1842 in East Keswick, Yorkshire, England. She died in 1896 in Cawthorne, Yorkshire, England, United Kingdom

- b. JOHN AIRAY was born about 1850 in Kirk Deighton, Yorkshire, England.
  - c. ELIZA ANN AIRAY was born in 1858 in Kirk Deighton, Yorkshire, England. She died in 1907 in Bradford. She married Henry HARRISON on 02 Feb 1884 in Wetherby, Yorkshire, England
  - d. CHARLES HENRY AIRAY was born in Mar 1869 in Kirk Deighton, Yorkshire, England
8. Eliza BROUGHAM (b1825 in Collingham d. Abt. 1925). She married Joseph KENDALL in 1845 in Knaresborough, Yorkshire, England. He was born about 1821 in Hunsingore, Yorkshire. They had 2 children
- a. SARAH<sup>3</sup> KENDALL was born about 1846 in Hunsingore, Yorkshire.
  - b. MARY KENDALL was born about 1848 in Great Ouseburn, Knaresborough, Yorkshire. She married William DODD on 30 Dec 1872. He was born about 1845.
9. George BROUGHAM Jnr. (b1828 in Collingham, d. Bef. 1881). George is a key link with the Huddersfield Broughams as we know George moved to Honley in Huddersfield around 1856/7 where he worked as a blacksmith and tenant farmer. We know that James also either came with him, or during this time, working as a carter and farm labourer. The 1861 census has them living at the same house. George married, on 30 Aug 1853 in Leeds Parish Church, Isabella BURNAN (B Abt. 1832), daughter of Richard and Sarah BURNAN. Isabella died on 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 1882 in Wetherby.

Together they had 8 children:

- a. SARAH H BROUGHAM was born about 1854 in Kirk Deighton, Yorkshire, England
- b. MARY ANNETTE BROUGHAM was born on 12 Nov 1855 in Kirk Deighton, Yorkshire, England.
- c. GEORGE RICHARD BURNAN BROUGHAM was born on 16 Nov 1857 in Seventy Acres, Honley, Huddersfield. He met ANNIE ELSWORTH. She was born in 1861 in Burton Leonard, Yorkshire, England. She died in 1937.
- d. ANN ELIZABETH BROUGHAM was born on 12 Jun 1860 in Seventy Acres, Honley, Huddersfield.
- e. JOHN ALEXANDER BROUGHAM was born in 1863 in Collingham, Yorkshire, England. He died the same year, 1863, in Collingham.
- f. GEORGIANA BROUGHAM was born about 1865 in Kirk Deighton, Yorkshire. She married Unnamed in 1900 in Wharfedale.
- g. JOHN ALFRED BROUGHAM was born about 1869 in Kirk Deighton, Yorkshire. He died in 1914 in Leeds, Yorkshire. He married Unnamed in 1901 in Leeds, Yorkshire.
- h. STRENAH BROUGHAM. The only information we have about Strenah is that she is the named informant on the registration of her mother's death in Wetherby in January 1882. As this is the only mention of her, we can find, it is possible that Strenah has been transcribed incorrectly and that it should have said Sarah, the eldest daughter.

Initially George as a blacksmith worked for his father-in-Law, Richard Burnan, who held the tenancy from a Mr Hargreaves. However, Richard got into arrears and was unable to make his payments. He subsequently handed over the tenancy to George including all stock. This worked well until around March 1862 when George too started to fall into arrears. He continued till January 1863 when Mr Hargreaves decided enough was enough and wanted his money. The greater part of the farm stock was sold by auction to pay the debts.



According to the Huddersfield Chronicle of 14<sup>th</sup> February 1863 there was a dispute over some manure and Richard Burnan and one of his sons were being charged with theft. It turns out that along with the manure in the farmyard there was lots along the surrounding lanes and in fields. They were accused of selling this outlying manure to a Mr Dyson. The defendant's solicitor argued that the ownership of this manure was in dispute and not part of the original auction sale. As there was not sufficient evidence to prove otherwise, the court dropped all charges.

George and his family moved back to Collingham, penniless before moving on to Kirk Deighton where he returned to his old profession as a blacksmith. James however stayed and made Huddersfield his home.

10. James BROUGHAM (b1834). The last of the children mentioned is James. So far we have failed miserably to find James anywhere other than on the once census. The question is was this James the same James we now know to be born 1838 in Collingham? It's a strong theory, but if so why did James (1838-1912) state on his marriage certificate that his father was James Brougham, and why on the 1861 census did he not describe him as brother rather than servant to George Jnr.?



*Figure 3 - View down the Colne Valley from Lane Top, Linthwaite where James Brougham (1838-1912) and his family lived. The textile mills of the 19th and 20th centuries can be seen in the valley bottom surrounded by the agricultural land.*

## James Brougham (1838-1912) of Huddersfield

The parenthood of James (Pictured front cover) is a mystery – we will discuss this later as there are a number of working theories.

James states his place of birth is Collingham, West Yorkshire, and from various census returns, we estimate his birth to be 1838. It is this connection with Collingham, and the fact that at one point he lives with George Jnr, that we believe he is related to the George and the Collingham Broughams, but we do not know how yet.

At some point James moved to Huddersfield, and by 1861 at the age of 23, he was working as a Carter. The 1861 census return has him living with George BROUGHAM (Jnr) from Collingham at Seventy Acres in Honley. James' relationship to George is described as 'Servant'. Could George have moved first from Collingham and James came over to work for him. George being older, had already got married to Isabella BURNAN and had started his own family by this time with 4 children. George was a farmer of 75 acres employing 1 man. Not sure if James is that 1 man, because the census record has a second servant, Elizabeth Robinson, 20, who was a dairy maid.

No.	Sex	Age	Name	Relationship	Profession	Place of Birth
16	Male	32	George Brougham	Head	Farmer of 75 Acres	Collingham
	Female	29	Isabella	Wife		Beighston
	Female	7	Sarah A	Daughter		do
	Female	4	Ann	Daughter		do
	Male	3	George Jr	Son		do
	Female	20	Elizabeth Robinson	Servant	Dairy Maid	Collingham
	Male	23	James Brougham	Servant	Carter	do

Figure 4 - 1861 Census showing George BROUGHAM and James BROUGHAM

The following year on 16<sup>th</sup> June 1862, James marries, Jane MIDWOOD (1843-1910), daughter of Edward MIDWOOD (Bp 1817), a mason by trade, and Lydia WOOD (1819-1875) in All Hallows Church, Almondbury. By this time James is described as a farmer but in subsequent census returns this reverts to Agricultural Labourer.

No.	When Married	Name and Surname	Age	Condition	Rank or Profession	Residence at the time of Marriage	Father's Name and Surname	Rank or Profession of Father
446	June 16 <sup>th</sup>	James Brougham	23	Bachelor	Farmer	Honley	James Brougham	Farmer
		Jane Midwood	20	Spinster		Honley	Edward Midwood	Mason

Married in the Parish church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by Wilson Gunn or after Bigam by me, Lucy Brierley

This Marriage was solemnized between us, James Brougham and Jane Midwood in the presence of us, Wilson Gunn and Arthur Gunn

Figure 5 - Marriage Certificate James BROUGHAM and Jane MIDWOOD 1862



It is from this marriage certificate that we see the father of James is a farmer, and shares the same name, James. It is for this reason that it casts doubt on the theory that George BROUGHAM Snr. (1784-1845) is his father.

At some point the young couple move to South Crosland and have a large family. They have 11 children.

1. MARY ANN<sup>2</sup> BROUGHAM was born in 1862 in Honley, Yorkshire, England (3rd q). She partnered with Ben BROOK (We don't believe they ever married as we believe that Mary B BROUGHAM was born out of wedlock and hence the record in the West Yorkshire Bastardy Records). She married George William TAYLOR, son of John TAYLOR and Hannah TAYLOR, on 31 May 1884 in Linthwaite, Christ Church. He was born about 1860. Mary Ann had the one child we believe out of wedlock. We are not sure if she had any further children with George William TAYLOR.
  - a. MARY BEATRICE<sup>3</sup> BROUGHAM was born on 12 Jul 1880 in Yorks Atherton. She married Stanley DYSON, son of Saville DYSON and Frances DYSON, on 15 Oct 1904 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England (Christ Church). He was born about 1882. Prior to this Mary B Brougham had a relationship Robert John WHITE, a cloth twister and had a daughter. She made a claim against him which is documented in the West Yorkshire Bastardy records.

No.	Date of Summons	Date of Petty Sessions	Name of Woman	When Child born	Male or Female	Name, Residence, and Trade of Father of Child	Order per Week	Remarks
425	Oct 22 1901	Nov 12 1901	Annie Lawton	Feb 7 1901	male	Herbert B Sydes Holmptonthwaite	5	Widow 11/3
426	" 29	" 19	Haki Boocock	Sep 19 1901	fe. male	Harry Pease Roydhouse Shilley coal miner	5	Widow 11/3
427	Oct 3 1902	Dec 17 1902	Jane Wimpenny	Nov 9 1901	male	Charlie Mallmoor Bank End Netherton	5	Widow 11/3
428	Jan 7 1902	Jan 21 1902	Mary Ann Lloyd	Nov 15 1901	male	Joe Sydes Southwaite Farm laborer	5	Widow 11/3
429	Mar 14	Mar 18	Mary B. Brougham	Feb 10 1902	fe. male	Robert John White Lane Top Southwaite Cloth Twister	5	Widow 11/3
430	" 18	" 8	Mary B. Brougham	" 18	fe. male	Robt John White Lane Top Southwaite Cloth Twister	5	Widow 11/3
431	" 18	" 8	Martha B. Morris	Apr 25 1901	fe. male	Nathan Hudson Roydhouse Netherton Cloth Twister	5	Widow 11/3
432	Aug 26 1903	Sep 9 1903	Mary Ann Schofield	" 18	male	James Knutton G. Mansfield Honey Weaver	5	Widow 11/3

Figure 6 - West Yorkshire, England, Bastardy Records, 1690-1914 for Mary B Brougham's daughter

2. WILLIE BROUGHAM was born in Jan 1864 in Honley, Yorkshire, England. He died young at 22 years old, in 1886 in Yorkshire. Buried at Christ Church, Linthwaite on the 10<sup>th</sup> April.
3. ADA BROUGHAM was born in 1865 in Honley, Yorkshire, England. She married Sam HAIGH, son of John HAIGH and Elizabeth HAIGH, on 15 Aug 1886 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England (Christchurch, ). He was born about 1865 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. They had the following children:
  - a. EDITH<sup>3</sup> HAIGH was born in 1890 in Netherton, Yorkshire, England. She died before 1901.
  - b. OLIVE HAIGH was born on 23 Dec 1891 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England
  - c. ARTHUR B HAIGH was born in 1894 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England.
  - d. UNKNOWN 1 HAIGH. Unknown 1 died before 1911.
  - e. UNKNOWN 2 HAIGH. Unknown 2 died before 1911.
4. LIZZETTA BROUGHAM was born on 1 Jul 1867 on a 'lonely part' of Honley Moor. She died on 5 Jan 1951 in Dewsbury.

In the local newspaper in April 1943 reporting on Lizzetta's life to commemorate her diamond wedding anniversary to Earnest BROOK she recalls her early life. She started work at the age of 11 working in Meltham Mills. She would get up at 4 o'clock in the morning, walking miles accompanied by her father, to meet the other girls. In the winter

she paid a penny a night to stay at a widow's house.

She had one child, George Willie out of wedlock to an unknown partner. Word of mouth testimony of Sylvia BROOK, b1923, granddaughter to Ernest BROOK and Lizzetta BROUGHAM, 'Lizzetta was engaged to be married but when her fiancée found out she was pregnant with George Willie he broke the engagement off'. Benjamin Peter Kingston writes "I have asked my grandma about Ernest and Lizzetta and she says that the family was against the marriage because Lizzetta already had a child, but Ernest didn't care and married her despite this. Unfortunately, she does not know the identity of George Willie's father but apparently, he and Lizzetta were engaged to be married. He called off the engagement when he found out about the pregnancy."

- a. GEORGE WILLIE<sup>3</sup> BROUGHAM was born on 05 May 1888 ((Sub.dist.Lockwood)). He died in 1946 in Huddersfield. He married Alice BURHOUSE, daughter of William Albert BURHOUSE and Matilda PICKLES, on 14 May 1910 in the Parish Church of South Crosland, Huddersfield. She was born on 04 Jun 1891 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire. She died on 18 Oct 1973 in North Spring House, Kirkburton, Huddersfield.

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**CERTIFIED COPY of an ENTRY OF MARRIAGE Pursuant to the Marriage Act 1949**

**TG**

Registration District Huddersfield

1893 Marriage solemnized at Christ Church in the

Parish District of Linthwaite in the County of York.

No.	When married	Name and surname	Age	Condition	Rank or profession	Residence at the time of marriage	Father's name and surname	Rank or profession of father
64	April 3rd	Ernest E BROOK	22	Bachelor	Card Feller	Longwood	Robert Brook	Gentleman
	1893	Lizzella BROUGHAM	25	Spinster	/	Linthwaite	James BROUGHAM	Farm labourer

Married in the Parish Church according to the rites and ceremonies of the established church after Banns by me W. T. Williams Curate

This marriage was solemnized between us, Ernest E Brook in the presence of us, Arthur Haigh  
Lizzella Brougham Florence Brook

Figure 7 - Copy of Marriage certificate for Lizzetta BROUGHAM and Earnest E BROOK, 3rd April, 1893

Lizzetta went on to marry Ernest Edward BROOK, son of Robert BROOK and Mary Ann CALVERLEY, on 3 Apr 1893 in Christ Church, Linthwaite. He was born in 1871 in Longwood, Huddersfield. He died on 20 Nov 1946 in Dewsbury.

Lizzetta and Ernest had the following children:

- a. EDITH MAY<sup>3</sup> BROOK was born about 1894 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire. She died in Jun 1971 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire West Riding, England. She married Edwin SIERS, son of William Siers and Harriet, on 14 Feb 1914 in Dewsbury West Town, St Matthew, Yorkshire. He was born about 1893. He died in Jun 1951 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire West Riding. She married Clifford PERKINS in 1954 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire, England. He was born about 1895. He died in Dec 1982 in Dewsbury, West Yorkshire.
- b. FRED BROOK was born on 13 Mar 1897 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. He died in Sep 1970 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire West Riding, England. He married Ivy SHEARD, daughter of Luther SHEARD and Catherine Eliza WILBY, on 01 Dec 1917 in Dewsbury Moor, Yorkshire, England. She was born on 15 Oct 1899 in Arksey, Yorkshire, England. She died on 01 Feb 1973 in Thornhill, Yorkshire, England.
- c. EDWARD BROOK was born in 1901 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. He died in

- 1968 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire, England. He met (1) SARAH HANNA BURNS. She was born in 1900 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire, England. She died in 1966 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire, England. He met (2) HARRIET CARRACK. She was born on 09 Jan 1895. She died on 17 Jan 1937 in Leeds, Yorkshire, England
- d. ANNIE BROOK was born on 05 Aug 1902 in Longwood, HUDDERSFIELD, West Yorkshire, England. She died on 30 Mar 1988 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire, England. She married George ARCHER on 17 Apr 1922 in Dewsbury, St Matthew, West Yorkshire, England. He was born in Dec 1902 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire, England. He died in Sep 1966 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire, England
  - e. JANE BROOK was born in 1907 in Ravensthorpe, HUDDERSFIELD, West Yorkshire, England. She died in Sep 1980 in Dewsbury, West Yorkshire, England. She married R. SELWYN BERRY. He was born about 1901 in Rothwell, Yorkshire, England. He died in Dec 1971 in Dewsbury, Yorkshire West Riding, England.



Figure 8 - Ernest Edward BROOK and Lizzetta BROUGHAM

5. ELIZA BROUGHAM (pictured on the front cover, standing right) was born in 1869 in Netherton, Huddersfield. She died in 1953 in Huddersfield. She married Arthur HAIGH in 1889. He was born in 1868 in Ridings Lane, Golcar, Yorkshire. He died 1910. They had the following children:
  - a. FLORENCE HAIGH (Picture front cover, standing left) was born in 1891. She married George KNIGHT (1890-1962) on 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 1910 at Christ Church Linthwaite. They had 4 children including Harry KNIGHT, born 26<sup>th</sup> March 1911 (Pictured front cover sitting on his Great Grandad's knee, James BROUGHAM).
  - b. WILLIE ALBERT HAIGH was born in 1892 in Seare Hard Golcar, Yorkshire, England
  - c. HILDA HAIGH was born in 1895 in Lane Top Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England.
  - d. GLADYS HAIGH was born in 1897 in Lane Top Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England.
  - e. JANES THOMAS HAIGH was born in 1900 in Royd Turan, Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England.

As a widow, Eliza married Claud SCHOFIELD at Christ Church on the 28<sup>th</sup> October 1911.

6. GEORGE BROUGHAM was born in 1871 in Netherton, Huddersfield. He died at the young age of 11 in Apr 1882 in HUDDERSFIELD West Yorkshire England.



7. JOE BROUGHAM was born about 1873 in Honley, Yorkshire, England. He died on 11 Dec 1951 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. He married Edith Ellen COX, daughter of William WILKINSON, on 05 Apr 1902 in Slaithwaite with East Scammonden, St James, Yorkshire, England. She was born about 1880. She died on 07 Sep 1902 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England, probably through childbirth complications as it was just 10 days after the birth of Edith. He married Eliza Ann (UNKNOWN), married name possibly DENTON, in 1908 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England. She was born in 1872 in Crosland Moor, Huddersfield, Yorkshire. She died about 1951 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. Joe Brougham and Edith Ellen COX had one child
  - a. EDITH WILKINSON<sup>3</sup> BROUGHAM was born on 28 Aug 1902. She married (Unknown) BERRY in 1925 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England (2nd Quarter).

Joe had two stepchildren through his second wife, Percy DENTON and Edgar DENTON.



*Figure 9- Gravestone in Christ Church Linthwaite showing Joe BROUGHAM and his first wife Edith Ellen COX. The gravestone reads: In loving memory of Edith Ellen, dearly beloved wife of Joe BROUGHAM, died Sept 7<sup>th</sup>, 1902, 22 years. Also of the above, Joe BROUGHAM, died Dec 11, 1951, aged 79 years*

8. HARRY BROUGHAM was born in 1875 in Honley, Yorkshire, England (1st Quarter). He died in 1938 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. He married Dora ROWLINSON in 1900 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England. She was born about 1879 in Kendal, Westmorland, England. She died in 1950 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England.
  - a. NELLIE DORIS<sup>3</sup> BROUGHAM was born in 1901 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. She died in 1999. She married (Unknown) HAWORTH in 1930. It is thought that Nellie married twice.
  - b. WILLIAM (WILLIE) BROUGHAM was born on 15 Dec 1902 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. He died in 1970. He married Kate HOWARTH in 1926 (Jun Qtr).
  - c. REGGINALD BROUGHAM was born in 1905 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. He died in Jan 1993 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England. He married Flora BAKER on Sep Qtr 1943.
  - d. ALBERT VICTOR GRAYSON BROUGHAM was born on 20 Jul 1907 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. He married Doris HOGARTH in 1936.
  - e. CONSTANCE (CONNIE) N BROUGHAM was born in 1917. She died on 01 Oct 2012 in Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands. She married Herbert REAST in Jul 1938 in



- HUDDERSFIELD West Yorkshire England.
- f. MAVIS KATHLEEN BROUGHAM was born on 24 Jan 1920 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire. She died on 01 Jul 2001 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire. She married Eric FRETWELL in 1938. He was born on 10 Feb 1910 in Cumberworth, Yorkshire. He died on 09 Apr 1977 in Crosland Moor, Huddersfield, Yorkshire.
  - g. RENEE G BROUGHAM was born on 24 Dec 1921 in Huddersfield, West Yorkshire. She died in Jan 1977 in Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, England. She married Robert DANIELS in 1943.
9. LYDIA BROUGHAM was born in 1877 in Netherton, Huddersfield. She married Lawrence WALKER in 1898 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England. He was born about 1880 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England. She died, aged 80, on 29<sup>th</sup> Dec 1957 and is buried in Christ Church, Linthwaite alongside her husband and son. Lawrence and Lydia had 2 known children:
- a. JANET WALKER<sup>3</sup> BROUGHAM was born on 03 Nov 1897 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England (Lane Side). She died in Apr 1985 in Leeds, Yorkshire, England. She married Fred DYSON, son of Miller DYSON, on 10 Apr 1915 in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, England (Christ Church). He was born about 1896
  - b. ARTHUR WALKER was born in 1906. He died 30<sup>th</sup> Dec 1936, aged 30, and is buried in Christ Church, Linthwaite.



*Figure 10 - Gravestone in the cemetery of Christ Church, Linthwaite of Lydia BROUGHAM and her husband Lawrence WALKER together with their son Arthur who died young.*

10. CLARA BROUGHAM was born in 1879 in Netherton, Huddersfield. She died about Mar 1951. She married Alfred HAIGH, son of Joseph HAIGH and Anne, on 24 Dec 1909 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England. He was born in 1884 in Mexborough, Yorkshire, England. He died on 17 Nov 1917 in Belgium. She married George WOOD, son of Thomas WOOD, on 31 Mar 1923 in HUDDERSFIELD West Yorkshire England (Both were widowers at the time of this marriage). He was born in 1874. Clara and Alfred HAIGH had the following children:
- a. CLARISSA<sup>3</sup> HAIGH was born on 18 Apr 1910 in Mexborough, Yorkshire, England.

She married Fred Leslie LUNN on 09 Sep 1933 in Rashcliffe, St Stephen and Primrose Hill, St Matthew, West Yorkshire, England.

- b. PHYLLIS HAIGH was born on 17 Jun 1911.
- c. JAMES HAIGH was born on 25 Jul 1912

11. CLARISSA BROUGHAM was born in Jul 1879 in Huddersfield. She died shortly after in Sep 1879.

James, having moved from Collingham to Honley to South Crosland, went on to live in Linthwaite itself at some point between 1871 and 1881. He stayed as an agricultural worker for most of his working life, though for a short while was a Highway cleaner as documented in the 1891 census.

James' wife, Jane MIDDLETON, died on 27<sup>th</sup> Dec 1910 and was buried in Christ Church, Linthwaite. In the 1911 census, James, now a widower and retired, is living as the head of the household, at 5 Bargate, Linthwaite, with his youngest surviving daughter, 31 year old Clara, now married to Alfred HAIGH, 27, a woollen teaser, and his 11 month old granddaughter, Clarissa. The 1911 census recorded for the first time the number of children still living and the number that had died, the statistics for James are quite sad, 11 born, 7 living, 4 dead.

James died in 1912. He was buried in Christ Church, Linthwaite on 6<sup>th</sup> December that year, aged 74.

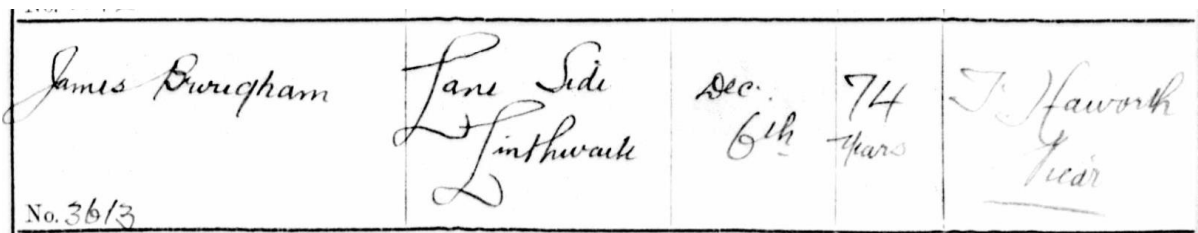


Figure 11 - Parish Register of Christ Church, Linthwaite showing the burial details of James Brougham, 6th Dec 1912

## The parenthood of James Brougham (1838-1912)

At the outset we said we were not sure who the parents were of James Brougham who moved from Collingham, to Honley and ended up in Linthwaite, 4 miles outside of Huddersfield. There are several theories for this, some less plausible than others.

The fact that James was living with George Brougham Jnr (b1828 in Collingham, d. Bef. 1881), in Honley, suggests there is some kind of relationship.

On the marriage certificate James states his father is James Brougham and that he was a farmer. Why would he do this if it were not true? One possible reason would be that he was born out of wedlock.

The farmer, George Brougham Snr (b Abt1784) and Mary COURTNEY (1783-1870) have a son James BROUGHAM (b1834). Could this James be the same as our James who is reported to be born 1838? There is a 4 year gap. James has always stated that his father was James – if it were George, why would he not state this? If George Snr is the father of our James, then Mary would have been 55 when she had James. As it is the James she did have 4 years earlier would mean she was 51 at that

time, again relatively old to be bearing children. If the two James are in fact the same person, the difference in years can easily be explained with poor memory and poor education at the time. Another point in support of this theory is that we have found no further evidence of this James born 4 years earlier. Another argument against the two James being one and the same, however, is that this would make James and George Jnr. brothers so why in the 1861 census would James be described as a servant?

A second theory is that James is the son of one of George Snr's older daughters. They are some years older than James and in fact we already know that Jane Brougham has children out of wedlock. Jane Brougham has been assumed to be the daughter of George Brougham Snr, but it is possible this is not true and that there is another Brougham that we have not identified. There is more evidence pointing to Jane being the daughter of George Snr than not, however.

A third theory is that James belongs to an isolated nuclear family of Brougham's in Huddersfield in the village of Kirkheaton. Here we find a Joseph BROUGHAM and assumed wife of Hannah. They have two children recorded in the Parish records of Kirkheaton Church, both baptised on 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 1821, Jane, and James. Clearly this isn't our James, but could this be our James' father. This is a very long shot, but the reason for mentioning it is these are isolated Brougham's living in the Huddersfield area and might be a reason why George Jnr and our James moved to the area from Collingham. Joseph Brougham would probably have been born before 1800 making him a possible brother to George Snr? All this is speculation with no evidence to back it up.

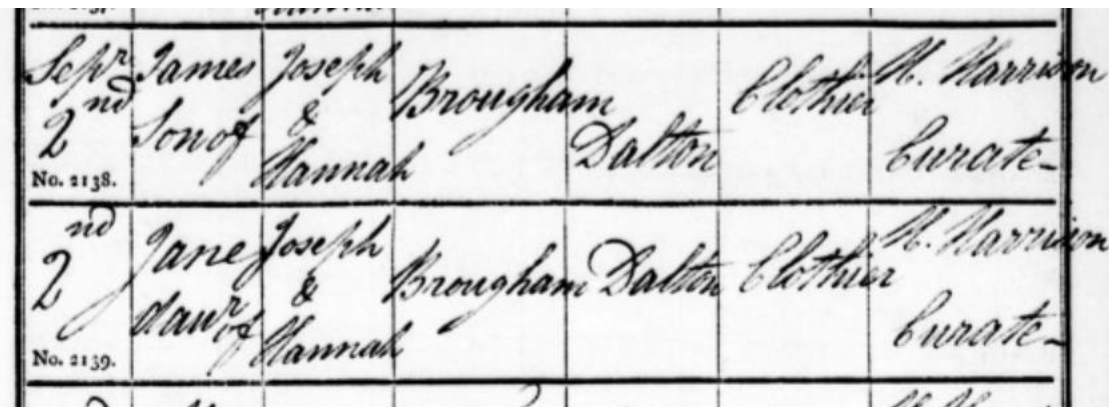


Figure 12 - Baptism records of Kirkheaton Parish Church, 1821, showing James and Jane, children of Joseph and Hannah Brougham

A fourth theory is that there was another set of Brougham's living in Collingham, headed up by a James Brougham, who was in fact the father of our James. This James Snr. could have been the brother to George Snr. We have found no evidence of this, however. The only possible evidence is that Jane Brougham (b1809) talked about earlier – perhaps she could be the daughter of this unidentified James and be the brother of James. This being the case though, why in later years would she declare that her father was George.

The truth is at this stage we do not know who the father is of James Brougham (1838-1912). All we must go on is the marriage certificate of James and Jane where James states his father is James Brougham, a farmer. Further information needs to come to light, and although speculative theories are good to work out possible avenues of investigation, they remain exactly that, speculation.





Figure 13 – one of the streets where James BROUGHAM and his family lived in Linthwaite, Lane Top

## George Willie Brougham and his war time shenanigans

George Willie BROUGHAM (1888-1946), the grandchild of James BROUGHAM, and illegitimate child of Lizzetta BROUGHAM, was a bit of a character.

Despite having an unknown father, George's marriage certificate and his entry in the 1891 census says his father is James BROUGHAM. We know that George's grandfather was James. It is assumed therefore that the grandfather's name was entered on the marriage certificate and census rather than an unknown father.

1910. Marriage solemnized at the Parish Church in the Parish of South Crosland in the County of York								
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
252	May 14 <sup>th</sup> 1910	George Willie Brougham Alice Burhouse	22 18	Bachelor Spinster	Weaver —	Linthwaite Road Side Netherston	James Brougham William Albert Burhouse	Farmer Stonebraver
Married in the <u>Parish Church</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by <u>Banns</u> or after <u>Banns</u> by me,								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		<u>George Willie Brougham</u> <u>Alice Burhouse</u>	in the Presence of us,		<u>Arthur Burhouse</u> <u>Edith May Brock</u>	<u>William Bowes</u> Vicar.		

Figure 14 - Marriage register for George Willie BROUGHAM and Alice BURHOUSE, 14th May 1910, Holy Trinity Church, South Crosland, Huddersfield



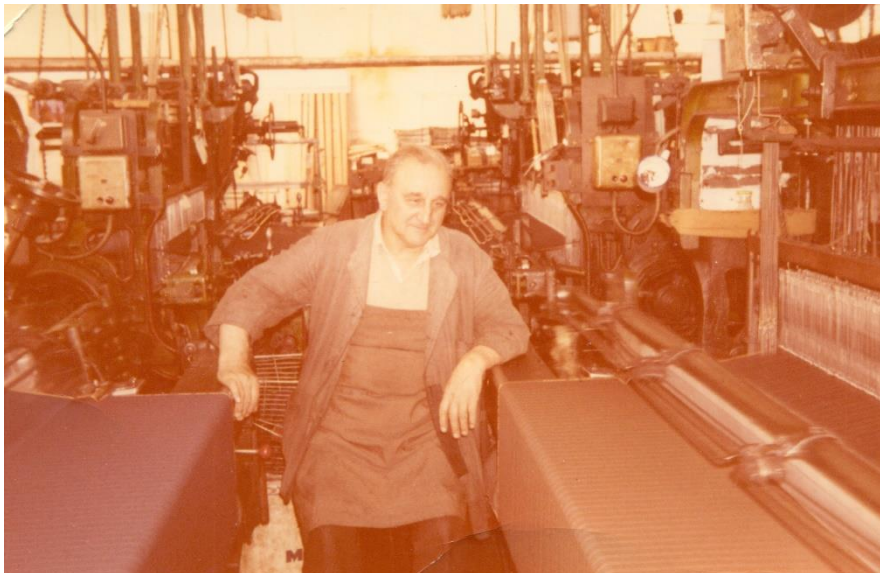
George married, one Alice BURHOUSE (1891-1973), the daughter of William Albert BURHOUSE (Abt. 1869-1916) a stone dresser, and Matilda BURHOUSE (1867-1918) on the 14<sup>th</sup> May 1910, at Holy Trinity Church, South Crosland.

The married couple lived in South Crosland, Miners Square in Nethererton, and Roydhouse lane in Linthwaite. Like many people in the Huddersfield area, he worked in the local textile mills as a weaver. The couple had two boys:

1. LEONARD<sup>4</sup> BROUGHAM, born on 03 Jun 1909 at Blue Slate, South Crosland, Huddersfield. He died on 01 Aug 1990 in Huddersfield. He married Hilda TAYLOR, daughter of Fred TAYLOR and Emma LIMB, on 06 Sep 1932 at the Wesleyan Chapel in Meltham, Huddersfield. She was born on 26 Jan 1909 in Helme, Meltham, Huddersfield. She died on 10 Oct 1986 in St Luke's Hospital, Huddersfield. They had 4 children, one of whom died after just 21 days, and 11 grandchildren.
2. ERNEST BROUGHAM was born on 30 Jan 1911. He died Dec 1995 in Yorkshire. He married Kitty FREER in 1935 in Barnsley, South Yorkshire. She was born about 1913 in Royston, Barnsley. She died about 1991 in Huddersfield where the couple lived most of their married lives. They had 3 children, one of whom died shortly after birth.

When WW1 broke out Willie was called up. However, he had decided the war was not for him and he went AWOL. His grandson recalls the story of how their house got surrounded by soldiers, rounding up the AWOLs, but Willie quickly jumped out of a back window. He was eventually caught and off he went back to the war. It is believed that George Willie served out in Jerusalem, Israel.

After the war he came back and tried his hand as a greengrocer. This was to stand him in good stead later during WW2. In 1932 he was back to his old profession working in the mills as a fine worsted weaver.



*Figure 15 - Leonard BROUGHAM, George Willie's son, followed his father into the second-hand trade and later as a fine worsted weaver. Here he can be seen managing several looms. The more looms you looked after the more money was earned.*

By 1937 we know that George Willie had left being a weaver and had moved to be a caretaker at Fitzwilliam Street in Huddersfield for the Dyers, Finishers and Textile Workers Club and Institute as can be seen from the *Huddersfield County Borough Directory* for 1937.

41 Dyers, Finishers and Textile  
Workers' Club and Institute—  
Caretaker, G. W. Brougham

With the onset of WW2 however, the shenanigans started again. George Willie got into the black market. He started to sell several things, but particularly fruit and vegetables, following his earlier greengrocer experience. The racket was profitable, and he needed a new front for this. Consequently, he went into the second-hand trade and opened a shop in Lockwood. Here he was able to sell things both legitimately and not so legitimately – an old vase and 2lb of potatoes.

George Willie died young at the age of 58, by which time he was living at Lane Top in Linthwaite, like many of the descendants of James BROUGHAM. His wife Alice lived another 27 years as his widow and was able to enjoy many of their grandchildren and great grandchildren.

George's two sons, continued with the second-hand shop in Lockwood, but they had a quarrel and decided to go their own ways. In 1954 Leonard bought the shop at 93 King Street in the centre of Huddersfield for £1,400 – the shop had previously been a Hatter and Hosiery business.

George Willie was a character, an early *Del Boy*, if you like. Having gone through the Great War, which he tried to abscond from, then the 1920's depression, life was never going to be easy. Regardless of the rights and wrongs, he learned to make ends meet regardless of how he did it, and this continued through the rest of his life.



Figure 16 – George Willie's shop at Lockwood, now a clothing outlet, but during WW2 was a second-hand shop, giving him a visible income, while making the real profit selling on the black market



*Figure 17 - George Willie BROUGHAM and his wife, Alice BURHOUSE on a seaside postcard*