

ODDIE QUAKERS originating in Martintop, Rimington

This 'descent' is by no means exhaustive, but gives some impression of the influence the family had in successive generations. All entries should be checked before being incorporated in genealogical research.

Earliest known ancestors of group

It is thought that all the local Oddie groups identified by location (eg, Gaisgill, Dudland, Rimington village) will prove to be related further back in time, but the line studied here is found in Gaisgill in at the turn of the 16th/17th century.

William Oddie has brother **Christopher Oddie**
 yeoman of Gaisgill of Gaisgill
 1 m?..... (by 1598); she bur 20.4.1604G
 1603: supervisor of 1603 will of John Watson of Gaisgill
 2 m **Mary Brockden** 4.11.1604G
 will 6.2.1637, mentions **William**, **John**, **Christopher**, John Browne, Elizabeth Bretherton; wits George Shuttleworth, Richard Speake, **John Oddie**
 bur 23.3.1637G
 probate Oct 1637

known children: **John Oddie**
 bpt 21.8.1598G
 m **Ann Leetham/Laytham/Latham** by 1623
 of Gaisgill
 1626: aged 25, inherited Martintop by will of **William Latham** (1623; bur 1625G)
 Martintop
 1672: 2 hearths
 will 17.1.1674
 bur 23.3.1674G
 probate 1678
Ann bur 2.7.1684G

known children: **William Oddie**
 b before 1623 [will of **Wm Latham**]
 of Martin Top
 m **Mary**?.....
Mary bur 21.6.1658G
 will 1.11.1676
 bur 13.8.1678G
 probate Jan 1679

known children: [John Oddie](#)

b Martintop
bpt 21.1.1644G
m [Margaret?.....](#)
1670: paid [William](#)'s fine for attending a Q meeting
of Martintop to 1693
1683: wit to [William](#) & [Isabella](#)'s Q marr
1693: wit to William Brearley of Mutta's will
by 1700 of Pheasantford & Haggate, Briercliffe
will 6.11.1703, leaving Freehold land called Kays & Kayhills
(on opposite side of the lane and just south of Martin Top Fm) &
one house at Martin Top to his eldest son [William](#) after
[Margaret](#)'s death
d Haggate, Briercliffe
bur 9.8.1705 Gisburn, but noted in Burnley regs,
probate 21.3.1706

Possible Marriage: 6 Jun 1669

Colne, Lancashire

John Moody -

Margrett Hartley

no other Moodys in register

from transcripts: original PRs & BTs
illegible (last page of book)

known children: [Mary Oddie](#)

bpt 15.12.1668G
m [John Sutcliffe](#) 21.2.1688 Colne
of Pasture, Black Lane Ends, NE of
Colne
[John](#) d 1721 'senex', bur 1721 C
d ??

known children: [John Sutcliffe](#)

bpt 1689 Colne
bur 1712 Colne

[Barnard Sutcliffe](#)

bpt 1690 Colne
bur 1708 Colne

[Thomas Sutcliffe](#)

bpt 1693 Colne
m cousin [Mary](#)
[Oddie](#) 1719 G

known ch: [Mary Sutcliffe](#)
[uncle [Wm](#)'s1742 will]

[Grace S'cliffe](#)
b & d 1722 C

[Margaret](#)
[Sutcliffe](#)
bpt 1725 C
bur 1727 C

[Wm Sutcliffe](#)
bpt 1727 C

[John Sutcliffe](#)
bpt 1729

Bernard
Sutcliffe
bpt 1732 C

William Sutcliffe
bpt 1695 Colne

John Sutcliffe
bpt 1696 Colne

Ambrose Sutcliffe
bpt 1732 Colne

William Oddie

bpt 12.2.1671G

of Martintop & Barrowford

poss m Margaret Dodgson 20.2.1695

Broughton-in-Craven

1703, by father's will, inherited, on d of
mother, Freehold land called Kays & Kayhills
(on opp side of the lane and just south of
Martin Top Fm) & one house at Martin Top

1707: wit to will of Richard Garvis

Margaret bur 27.8.1731 Whalley

'Margaret Odier, wife of farmer

Wm, of Wilkinheys, within

Pendleton Forest'

will 14.10.1742

bur 17.9.1742 Whalley – yeoman of
Barrowford

known children: John Oddie

bpt 24.6.1697G

of Martintop

bur 9.1.1707G

Mary Oddie

bpt 20.4.1699G

m Thomas Sutcliffe

4.6.1719G, he

par Colne

known ch: Mary Sutcliffe

[Wm's will]

(see above)

William Oddie

bpt 27.7.1701G

of Martintop

m Alice Brogden

22.7.1722G

known ch: William Oddie
Martintop & Howgill
m Mary Armistead
d 1790



Christopher Oddie
bpt 28.11.1703 G
of Newfield Edge
& Twistleton
m Ann Brogden
23.9.1727G

1742: Wm's will – '2nd
son' as John has died
both d 1785,
bur Ingleton



Twistleton line

Elizabeth Oddie
bpt 9.6.1706G
m James Bollard of
Whitehough
[Wm's 1742 will]

John Oddie
bpt 13.6.1708G
d by 1742
bur not found

Margaret Oddie
bpt 18.3.1711G
of Martintop
m Thomas Hall (of
Mylah) 9.10.1735G

Matthew Oddie
bpt 15.11.1713
1742: Wm's will –
'3rd son' as both
Johns have d
not found thereafter

Ann / Hannah Oddie
bpt 29.12.1720G
poss m John Walker
of Rimington
27.10.1743G

Sarah Oddie
bpt 11.1.1674G
m Jeremy Brotherton [John's will]
nothing further known

John Oddie
bpt 6.8.1676G
1703: Fulledge, Burnley
1705: Palace House, Burnley
poss m Alice?..... who, as a
widow, m Thomas Hindle 1714
bur 1708 Burnley

known children: John Oddie
bpt 1700, Burnley
a 'Mr' John Oddie
bur 7.6.1764 Burn

Margaret Oddie
bpt 24.1.1703, Burn
poss m John Roberts,
both of Simonstone,
1719 Altham

Tempest Oddie
bpt 19.8.1705, Burn
not found thereafter

Ann Oddie
bpt 4.8.1678G
bur 18.3.1693G

Tempest Oddie
bpt 15.7.1681G
d 1700, Pheasant Ford, now
Heasanford, Burnley
bur 30.12.1700 Burnley

William Oddie
b Martintop
bpt 8.10.1646G
m Isabella Atkinson 23.8.1683 Giggleswick (Settle
Quaker meeting) wit John Oddie

FIRST ODDIE QUAKERS IN THE AREA – SEE PAGE 8

[Ann Oddie](#)

bpt 4.2.1649G

m [Hugh Brierley](#) of Wood

[Hugh](#) bur 22.10.1676 Gisburn

admon to [Anne](#), 27.10.1677

1693 Mutta (f-in-l [William's](#) will)

1696 of The Greenhead, Sawley with Ellis-iz??

will 7.3.1696

inventory 2.5.1696 totalling £119.5s.0d

because will did not cover all estate, admon Sept

1696 to [William Baldwin](#) of Gr & [John Baldwin](#) of

Chatburn,

[Thomas Oddie](#)

bpt 28.11.1652G

bur 4.1.1653G

[Mary Oddie](#)

born 23.12.1653

bpt 28.12.1653

m [John Watson](#) of Middop 1.2.1679G

[Edward Oddie](#)

bpt 20.7.1656G

bur 12.2.1657G

children of [William](#) continued:

[Alice Oddie](#)

bpt 5.7.1601G

m ...?... [Hargreaves](#)

known children: [William Hargreaves](#)

wife [Mary](#)

will 1676: cousin of [Thomas Oddie](#) of Gaisgill

known children: [Mary Hargreaves](#)

alive 1676

[William Oddie](#)

bpt 30.1.1603G

m [Alice Ellingthorpe](#) 17.12.1628G

1635 of Gaisgill

[Alice](#) bur 27.3.1635G

d 1679

admon 1680

known children: [John Oddie](#)

bpt 11.10.1629G

bur 6.9.1635G

Thomas Oddie

bpt 11.3.1632G

of Gaisgill

m Elizabeth Hartley of Stirkhouse 29.9.1679G

alive 1676 [wills of cousins Wm Oddie & Wm Hargreaves]



Stirkhouse line

William Oddie (twin)

bpt 22.3.1635G

bur 12.5.1635G

Ann Oddie (twin)

bpt 22.3.1635G

bur 26.5.1635G

ch of John & Ann cont:

John Oddie

bpt ?

Thomas Oddie

poss bpt 2.10.1627G, no residence specified

of Howgill

m Mary Baldwin, wid of Hugh Baldwin of Howgill 23.12.1654G



Howgill line

Alice Oddie

bpt 24.4.1630G

Matthew Oddie

b Martintop

bpt 23.9.1632G

not found thereafter

James Oddie

b Martintop

bpt 8.3.1635G

m Mary?.....

Edward Oddie

b Martintop

bpt 25.2.1638G

bur 1.7.1638G

Joseph Oddie

b Martintop

bpt 23.10.1639G

bur 16.2.1659G

Ann Oddie
bpt?
m William Fort 10.1.1654G

NOTE: *Quaker dates are problematic: there are many records available, but dates often vary between them, compounded by the fact that Quakers would use only numerals for months (the usual names, to them, having pagan connotations) and the year began in March. So, 'the eighth month' might mean October!*

William Oddie

bpt 8.10.1646G
numerous mentions in Marsden Monthly Meeting *Book of Sufferings* – see main article
m **Isabella Atkinson** 23.8.1683 Giggleswick (Settle Quaker meeting); tanner
yeoman of Martintop

FIRST ODDIE QUAKERS IN THE AREA

of Sawley Quaker Meeting

Isabella born 6.3.1657, dau of **George Atkinson** of Roomhouses, Giggleswick, reg with Settle Q
d 22.9.1693 (**Sarah** born 8 days earlier)
bur 23.9.1693 Twiston

1689: home at Gills registered as a Quaker meeting place

1701: of Gills

1707: wit to will of Richard Garvis

1709: wit to brother-in-law **Wm Atkinson**'s Q marriage to **Elizabeth Bradley**, Giggleswick

1711: of Gills when he wrote his will; beneficiaries **Sarah & William**; witnesses **James Atkinson** (prob
brother-in-law) & **John Tipping**

d by March 1711 (probate)

known children: **Mary Oddie**

b 26.10.1686 Q

d 13.5.1701 Q

bur 14.5.1701 Q

William Oddie

b 9.2.1688 Q

m **Mary Ecroyd** d of **John & Alice** (née **Pollard**) of Briercliffe, 23.10.1711 Q

SEE ECROYDS IN MAIN ARTICLE

yeoman of Hudson Gills, Rimington

1713: of Newby Meeting

c 1720: tanner of Matchers, Rimington

1751: of Matchers, Sawley

d 29.12.1762, Gills

bur 1.1.1763 Twiston

Mary & Mary to Edgend, Little Marsden

(Mary d there Oct. 1771)

Mary d 16.1.1772, aged 85, Edgend, Little Marsden

bur 19.1.1772, Little Marsden

known children: Alice Oddie

b 17.7.1712 Q, Gills

d 4.12.1714

bur 6.12.1714

William Oddie

b 28.6.1713 Q

d 15.10.1790, aged 76, Bowlaithe, nr Sawley (on B-by-B road)

bur 18.10.1790, Twiston

Isabel Oddie

b 22.5.1716 Q

prob m James Parkinson, 1746 or 1747 Q [incomplete details]

John Oddie

b 5.3.1719 Q

presumed d by 1721

John Oddie

b 13.12.1721 Q

m Martha Skelton of Haggate (Briercliffe), 17.9.1751 Q

wits inc Wm Oddie, Richard Oddie, Ann Oddie, Mary Oddie jnr

1752 onwards, Colne

Martha d 25.6.1789, aged 65, Colne

bur 28.6.1789, Trawden Q

d 19.11.1801, Edgend, Marsden

bur 22.11.1801, Trawden Q

known children: William Oddie

b 24.6.1752 Q, Colne

d 20.2.1754

bur 24.2.1754 Marsden Height

Matthew Oddie

b 12.2.1755 Q, Colne

d 4.5.1798, aged 44, Colne

bur 6.5.1798, Trawden

Betty Oddie

b 3.6.1756(?) Q, Colne

d 21.10.1757

bur 23.10.1757 Marsden Height

Mary Oddie

b 23.6.1758 Q, Colne
d 27.6.1759, Colne
bur 29.6.1759 Marsden Height

John Oddie

b 21.11.1760 Q, Colne
d 2.1.1763, Marsden
bur 4.1.1763 Marsden Height

Tabitha Oddie

b 29.8.1762 Q, Colne
d 30.6.1763, Colne
bur 1.7.1763 Marsden Height

Ann Oddie

b 25.11.1763 Q, Colne
m **Edward Satterthwaite** of Salford, 11.6.1788 Q

Sarah Oddie

b 8.12.1766 Q, Colne
d 15.12.1767, Colne
bur 17.12.1767, Trawden

Richard Oddie

b 17.1.1723 Q, Newby Meeting
weaver

1 m **Mary Proctor** of Wyresdale ?.3.1760 (Lancaster Q Meeting)

Mary d 30.3.1761, aged 30, bur 2.4.1761 Twiston

2 m **Betty Hargreaves** of Monibent, 5.1.1764 at the Q Meeting House
there

witnesses classified as 'relations' include **William Oddie**, **John Oddie**

1766: Gills

d 13.12.1782, aged 59

bur 16.12.1782, Twiston

Betty d 13.3.1824, Moses Clough, Sawley, aged 84

bur 17.3.1824 Twiston

known children: **Ellen Oddie** (named after **Mary's** mother)

b 22.2.1761 Q

d 30.7.1761

bur 1.8.1761 Twiston

William Oddie

b Gills

b 9.11.1764 Q

grocer of Stockport

1 m **Ruth Hoggarth** b Crook, nr. Kendal, 5.12.1791

Warrington, Cheshire Meeting,

wits **Robert** & **Edward Oddie**

Ruth d 7.3.1802 Warrington, Q Hardshaw East
(followed 3 months later by the 2 youngest ch)
bur 14.3.1802 Warrington
2 m Elizabeth Pickton 31.1.1809 Q Warrington
Elizabeth d 13.2.1814, aged 29, Warrington
(Isabel b 29.1)
bur 15.2.1814 Q Hardshaw East
d 10.5.1816, aged 51, Q Warrington, Hardshaw East
bur 13.5.1816

known children: Richard Oddie
b 19.9.1792 Q Hardshaw East
grocer
d 29.7.1826, aged 34, Q Warrington,
Hardshaw East
noted in Q Memorials

Mary Oddie
b 19.6.1794 Q Hardshaw East
prob d 1840 & noted in Q Memorials

John Oddie
b 18.9.1795 Q Hardshaw East
grocer of Warrington
m Jane Crosfield, née Drane
25.3.1823 Q Warrington
(the Crosfields 1st gen Qs from Kendal area)
1855 (at Jane's death) tea dealer
will 17.12.1830: mentions Jane, b-
in-l Joseph Crosfield, Eliz, Rchd, Jane
d 14.7.1839, aged 44, Altrincham,
Accountant
bur 18.7.1839 Q Warrington,
Hardshaw E
noted in Q Memorials
probate 31.1.1840: Wife Jane & Joseph
Crosfield, being of the sect of people called
Quakers made solemn affirmation that the
value of the estate was under £800.

Jane 1841C: silk mercer in
Dickenson St, M'cr, with 4
youngest ch
1848/9 ≡ headmistress of
Ackworth School
1851C: 1 Sea Bank Ave,
Liscard, small school 5 pupils
Jane also a teacher
d 11.5.1855, aged 58, Liscard,
Wallasey
bur 16.5.1855 Q Liscard
noted in Q Memorials

known ch: [Elizabeth Oddie](#)
b 17.1.1824 Q
Warrington, Hardshaw E

[Joseph Oddie](#)
b 22.12.1825 Q
Warrington, Hardshaw E
d 3.2.1827, aged 13m, Q
Warrington, Hardshaw E

[Richard Oddie](#)
b 31.7.1827 Q
Warrington, Hardshaw E
1841C: pupil at Ackworth
1851C: lodging in
Everton, banker's clerk
d aged 61, Ballarat,
Victoria, Australia,
3.4.1889, scrivener
(= clerk, administrator)
bur Ballarat Cem 6.4 1889

DEATHS.
FOURTH MONTH, 3RD, 1889.
At Ballarat, RICHARD ODDIE, aged 61.

[Jane Oddie](#)
b 20.8.1829 Q
Warrington, Hardshaw E
1841C: Spring Hill
Board Sch, East Meols
1851C: teacher with [Jane](#)
d aged 30, 10.8.1859,
Heidelberg, but of
Southport

JANE ODDIE, 30 10 / 8 mo. 1859
Southport. Died at Heidelberg.

Quaker memorials

[John Oddie](#)
b 10.8.1831 Q
Warrington, Hardshaw E
1841C: Penketh Q school
1859: marr, St. Geo,
Hanover Sq, London
draper, 5 children
d 1895, Lambeth
bur Norwood Cemy.

[Mary Ann Oddie](#)
b 12.4.1833 Q
Warrington, Hardshaw E
1848: Ackworth with [Jane](#)
1851C: Ackworth School,

apprentice teacher
not found thereafter

Margaret Oddie

b 22.12.1834 Q

Warrington, Hardshaw E

1848: Ackworth with [Jane](#)

1861C: governess,

lodging with aunt

[Isabel Smith](#), Thirsk

m [John Henry Davies](#)

(nephew of aunt [Elizabeth's](#)
husband, [John Hogarth Davies](#))

17.4.1862 Thirsk

The Belfast Newsletter.

Davies and Addie—April 17, at Thirsk, Yorkshire, John H. Davies, of Glenmore Green, Lisburn, to Margaret Addie, of Thirsk.
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1863-1878: **10 children** b

Co. Antrim

1901C: Lisburn, Antrim

[John H](#) d 1909

Banbridge, Co. Down

1911C: Tullyish, Down

family all Quakers

d aged 79, Banbridge,

9.6.1913 Q

William Oddie

b 10.11.1836 Q

Warrington, Hardshaw E

1848: Ackworth with [Jane](#)

1851C: Penketh Q school

1861 & 1871C: not found

d aged 38, 10.2.1875,

merchant's clerk, L'pool

bur Smithdown Rd Q

reg with Hardshaw E. Q

Rachel Oddie

b 6.9.1838 Q Warrington

Hardshaw East

1848: Ackworth with [Jane](#)

1851: pupil at Ackworth

1861C: assist Sch Mist at
small school, Edgbaston

1871C: assist Sch Mist at
small school,

Springfield, Essex

1875-1883: teacher at

Ackworth

ODDIE Rachel of 44 Princess-street, Southport, Lancashire spinster died 22 March 1917 Probate Liverpool 27 April to Arthur Crosfield Davies bleacher and John Hogarth Davies mill manager. Effects £2008 15s. 9d.

1884-1897: 'governess' = headmist, Ackworth to Weston-s-Mare then 1901 & 1911C: visitor, Southport, private means d 22.3.1917 Southport exors 2 sons of Margaret

children of William & Ruth, continued:

William Oddie

b 27.8.1798 Q Hardshaw East
d 11.6.1802 aged 4, Q Warrington, Hardshaw East
bur 12.6.1802

Ann Oddie

b 24.5.1800 Q Hardshaw East
d 21.6.1802, aged 2, Q Warrington, Hardshaw East
bur 29.6.1802

Elizabeth Oddie

b 27.11.1809 Q Hardshaw East
1 m **Robert Long**, 1839, Berkeley, Glouc
2 m **John Hogarth Davies**, 1848
1851C: King St, Liscard, he a cotton broker
1860: Exchange Chambers, L'pl [Gore's Dir]
1861C: St. James' St, Birkenhead
1871C: not found
1881C: Belgrave Terr, Sowerby, Thirsk, annuitants

John d aged 77, Thirsk, 1884
Quaker memorials – 'A Minister'

exor **Bartholomew Smith** (Isabel's husband)

known ch: **Robert Long** 1842
Walter John Davies 1850

William Oddie

b 12.1.1811 Q Hardshaw East
1841C: Liscard, of independent means
m **Lucy Bolton** (marr not found)
1851C: with in-laws, Penketh, book-keeper

1861C: Poulton-cum-Seacombe,
Chesh, commercial clerk
1871C: not found
d 9.44.1864, Halstead Rd, Wallacy,
aged 53
bur 12.11.1864, Liscard
Lucy d 1890, aged 71
bur Penketh

Anne Oddie

b 18.1.1812 Q Hardshaw E
not found thereafter

Isabel Oddie

b 29.1.1814 Q Hardshaw East
(mother d 2 wks later)
m Bartholomew Smith 1839
Chorlton
1839-1860s: Market Place, Thirsk
1841C: grocer & draper

1851C: grocer & draper employing 1
man, 3 boys
1861C: grocer & draper, 3 apps, 3
assistants; niece Margaret lodging
1871C: Stoneborough Villa, Thirsk,
Bart a grocer, draper, tailor, artist in
oil & landowner; also Elizabeth & 4
g'ch back from USA
1881C: Chapel St, Sowerby in
Thirsk, draper, grocer, hatter,
tailor, artist (in ... & oil), emp
11 men, 10 youths, 5 women
1891C: St. Cuthbert's, Weston-s-
Mare, Somerset, Bart an artist
Isabel has a companion (+
servants)
d 1893, Somerset, aged 79
Bartholomew d aged 82, 1897
despite none of family being found
in Q records, his fulsome obit in
Quaker memorials (below)

known ch: Elizabeth Harris Smith
bc 1840 Thirsk
m Henry Jacob in Karachi
(then India) 31.12.1863
Honora b India c1865
1867: to USA
Henry farmer, b Ireland
1870C: Batavia, New

Quaker Memorials:

ELIZA HARRIS JACOB . . 76 21 4 1916
Cincinnati, Ohio, U.S.A. Widow of Henry
Jacob, and eldest daughter of the late
Bartholomew and Isabel Smith, of Thirsk.

York State, USA
1871C: she & 4 ch
visiting parents, Thirsk
c 1877, 5th ch born
1880C: Buffalo, Virginia
1901C: Ohio

Henry d 1905
d 1916

Mary Ann Smith
b 1841, Thirsk
poss d Selby, 1924

Gulielma Smith
b 1847 Thirsk
m Robert Milner
5 ch b Keighley
1901C: Bristol
d 1909: Q Memorials:

GULIELMA MILNER, 63 6 11mo. 1909.
Horfield, Bristol. Wife of Robert A. Milner.

Thomas Smith
b 1849 Thirsk
presumed d by 1861C

Arthur Smith
b 13.9.1854 Thirsk
draper, working for father
1901&21C with Milner
niece, Thirsk, ind means
bpt 2.12.1916, Holy
Trinity York

BARTHOLOMEW SMITH, 82 28 Imo. 1897.
Weston-super-Mare. A Minister.

Bartholomew Smith was the youngest of the ten children of John and Elizabeth Harris Smith of Thirsk, and was born in 1814. It was in after years a matter of regret to him that he

had not, like the rest of the family, the advantage of an education in some of the Friends' Schools, but was sent to a school of repute in the neighbourhood, where the discipline was inefficient, and the "education" meagre. Perhaps the master had to deal with an inattentive scholar.

At thirteen he left school, and entered his father's business. He had not much time for self-culture, as the shop opened at six, and did not close till nine or later, which circumstance led to a habit of early rising, which continued to the end of his life. In the summer he went out to fish at dawn, until the objection of his mother overcame his natural love of "sport," and he gave it up.

When he was about fifteen a friend of the family noticed his aptitude in using his pencil, and kindly gave him a box of paints with a little encouraging advice. This was the foundation of his lifelong pursuit of painting. His industry in this occupation was very remarkable, and it was for many years the absorbing employment of his leisure, and he achieved in it considerable success.

When he was about eighteen he came to see the evil of the use of alcoholic drinks, and before he had heard of total abstinence he became

wine with some of his fellow-believers, simply as acknowledging and commemorating their allegiance to the Lord Jesus. He was always in full unity with Friends in their plea for simplicity of dress and personal habits, and he came in later life to believe that their practice in these and other respects is, on the whole, more in accordance with their profession than that of some others. During the last ten years of his life, when he had removed to Weston-super-Mare, he enjoyed the meetings of Friends very much, and, partly no doubt influenced by his new environment, increasingly valued the views of truth as held by the Society. He had long believed it right for him to take a vocal part in meetings, and his simple statement of the truths of the Gospel, and his prayers (like one speaking to a well-tried friend) are much missed in the meeting at Weston. In the year 1888 he was acknowledged as a Minister.

During the last few months of his life B. Smith's thoughts were much turned to the "Land beyond the River"; and both in meeting and in his household he loved to speak of the glories of the "Better Land," to which he felt himself to be hastening, and where he looked forward to meeting his beloved partner. But

a total abstainer, with (so far as appears) no encouragement from his family.

The temperance question from this time was increasingly a subject of intense interest to him, and in this cause he worked with unremitting zeal.

He was a fearless, earnest, and convincing speaker, as appeared by the fact that many joined the Temperance Society at the meetings he held in the country. He knew personally, and constantly visited those of his fellow-townsmen who were addicted to drinking. His mission to the poor did not stop here. Wherever he knew of cases of want or sickness, his personal aid was forthcoming, and he was successful in the treatment of many of the latter by hydropathic methods. To any who knew Bartholomew Smith it will not appear surprising that his sympathy was not unfrequently expended on those who were unworthy of it.

In his twenty-sixth year he was married to Isabel Oddie, of Warrington, and this union was one of uninterrupted happiness till after the "Golden Wedding" day, when his dear wife, who had before this shown signs of failing health, became a permanent invalid until she died, four years before himself.



thoughts of the future did not abate his interest in the world around him, and his labours for the poor, the drunkard, and the oppressed, and for the well-being of the lower animals, were unremitting as long as he had the necessary strength. One of his last efforts was to endeavour to unite the various Temperance Societies in the town into a Federation; this has since been accomplished.

His eyesight though much impaired, did not prevent him from using his brush and pencil, and up to the last most of his relations and many of his friends received on their birthdays a little drawing or painting as a memento of the occasion.

His last illness was only of seven days duration. It was attended by great difficulty of breathing, and much seeming unconsciousness; but in the evening before the last, a sudden access of energy seemed to come, and he enquired for each of his children and grandchildren who were in the house, and when "Are they all here?" was answered affirmatively, he said he had a great desire that all his family may meet in heaven before the throne, by faith in Jesus, and by listening carefully and *attending to* the voice of the Spirit of Christ; not only in great things, but in the "minutest" things we must "listen

The great simplicity of B. Smith's character was shown in his sympathy with children, whom he had a happy faculty for amusing, and by whom he was greatly beloved.

B. Smith did not feel that he had received much help from his regular attendance, from his earliest childhood, of the Friends' Meeting at Thirsk, which was almost always during his earlier life held in silence. It seems as if at the mature age of forty-five, the first interpretation of his religious feelings came through the reading of a little book written by Professor John Kirk, of Edinburgh—"The way of Life made plain." He received its teaching as though the message of the gospel had never come to him before. But after this he was ready to talk to everyone of his faith, and he endeavoured most earnestly to bring them to the same experience. From this time he often accepted invitations "to take a service" in Non-conformist chapels; and he joined with the Vicar of the parish in holding services in a cottage mission-room, which he fitted up for the purpose. He was for many years inclined to believe in the so-called "sacraments" as they are accepted by other Christian bodies, and joined in the taking of the bread and (unfermented)

and attend." "I have felt for some months," he said, "much more careful to live in prayer, and to attend in everything to the guidance of the Spirit of Jesus. I want that you all should do right and live a life so pure and so attentive that we may all meet as a family in heaven. . . . There are temptations on the right and on the left,—the temptations of pride in our own doings, of the cares of business, and being too much engrossed by it, and of 'very wicked things.'" He desired that all his children and grandchildren may be kept from "the things of the world," and that "all my posterity may come to the light of Christ." He said that he desired all this also for "our little Meeting," and that the right thing may be said and done, and the Divine guidance be known.

B. Smith passed quietly away on the evening of Fifth-day, First month 28th; he was unconscious during the preceding night and day. The funeral took place on the following Second-day, in the cemetery at Weston-super-Mare.

Of B. Smith it may truly be said that he always acknowledged that it was by the grace of God in Jesus Christ that he was what he was; and the same Divine power enabled him not only to serve his Master, but also to overcome to a remarkable degree, those natural dispositions, which, uncontrolled, would have hindered his growth in grace.

This sketch may fittingly conclude with the verse which was placed on the memorial card:—

"More life! the life of heaven!
A perfect liberty to do Thy will;
Receiving all from Thee, and giving still,
Freely as Thou hast given."

From QUAKER PUBLISHED MEMORIALS:
The Annual Monitor for 1898:

Bartholomew Smith, an Oddie only by marriage, but with an obituary worth preserving!

children of **Richard & Betty**, continued

Mary Oddie

b 11.5.1766, Gills, Q

1 m?..... **Harker**

2 m **John Frodsham**, cordwainer, 29.12.1807 Q
Hardshaw East

d 1838 Ashton-under-Lyne

Richard Oddie

b 20.12.1767 Q

d 11.2.1768, Gills,

bur 14.2.1768, Twiston

John Oddie

b 14.1.1769 Q

m **Ellen Atherwright** 11.1.1795 Gisburn, St. Mary

Ellen d 10.4.1798

bur with **Betty** 13.4.1798, Twiston Q

prob m **Ann Walker** 25.8.1800 Downham (he of
Colne, she of Downham)

d 24.9.1827, aged 59, cotton weaver of Colne

bur 27.9.1827 Q Little Marsden

known children: **Betty Oddie**

b 1797, no bpt or registration found

d 10.4.1798, same day as mother

bur together, 13.4.1798 Twiston

Richard Oddie

b 8.11.1770 Q

m **Mary Hodgson** of Tenters, Gis Forest

20.10.1796 Gisburn St. Mary

(she was 17 and pregnant!)

husbandman

d 28.12.1801, aged 31, Wraygill, par Bolton-by-
Bowland

bur 31.12.1801, Twiston

Mary 2 m **Robert Graham** of Bentham, 'late of
Marsden', 25.6.1812

ch: **John Hodgson Graham**, 1813-1889

Jane Graham

Robert Graham d 1857, Ackworth

she d aged 84, 14.11.1864

bur 18.11.1864, Ackworth Q

known children: **Richard Oddie**

b 21.2.1797 Q, Tenters, Gis Forest
linen weaver

d 28.12.1825, aged 29

bur 1.1.1826, Ackworth Q burial grnd

John Oddie

b 21.10.1798 Q, Bowlaithe, par B/B
(where his gt-uncle **William** d 1790)
to Ackworth with **Mary** and step-
father **Robert Graham**
1838: tfr from Hardshaw East Quaker
Meeting to Ackworth
1840: tfr from Ackworth Meeting to
Marsden
1846: farming Carrholme, Paythorn?
1846: tfr from Hardshaw East to
Ackworth
1851C & 1861C: Wakefield
1871C: retired salesman, lodging
with step-brother **John Hodgson
Graham**, School Hotel, Ackworth
1878: tfr from Ackworth to Richhill,
near Belfast, aged c80
d 1879 Richhill area / Belfast,
aged 81 & noted in Q
Memorials

Robert Oddie

b 15.9.1800 Q, Raygill Moss, par B/B
clogger
1851C: Salford with **Maria** & her 3
sons, but no marriage found
1861C: lodging in Westhoughton,
alone, 'unmarried'
1871C: boarding, Rochdale
'widower'
(**Maria** d 1872, M'Cr)
1881C: lodger, 6 Post Office Yard,
Colne
d 1885, Burnley

Robert Oddie

b 2.5.1772 Q
(nothing found)

Matthew Oddie

b 5.7.1774 Q
clogger
*remained on Marsden Meeting, and registered all ch,
with them despite CofE marriages*
1 m **Hannah King** 4.10.1798, Prestwich, St. Mary,
b.o.Oldham
Hannah d 1.2.1799, Lees (18 days after birth of
Matthew) aged 23, bur 4.2.1799 Q
Turf Lane, grave 72

2 m [Margaret 'Peggy' Isherwood](#) 8.7.1799 Prestwich
St. Mary, both of Oldham
[Peggy](#) d 20.12.1836, aged 59, Miln Row,
Butterworth, Rochdale
bur 25.12.1836, Q Turf Lane, grave 72
not found on census
d aged 76, 1851, Rochdale [BMD]

known children: [Matthew Oddie](#)
b 14.1.1799, Ashton, Q Marsden
presumed d by 1812

[Betty Oddie](#)
b 9.4.1800 Q Oldham
d 1805, aged 5, Oldham
bur Q Turf Lane, grave 64

[Mary Oddie](#)
b 24.6.1801 Q Oldham

[Hannah Oddie](#)
b 15.7.1802 Q Oldham

[Sarah Oddie](#)
b 27.9.1803 Q Oldham

[Margaret Oddie](#)
b 30.6.1805 Q Oldham
d 7.4.1806, aged 9½ ms
bur Q Turf Lane, grave 64

[Margaret Oddie](#)
b 23.1.1807 Q Oldham

[Richard Oddie](#)
b 3.1.1809 Q, Oldham
d 18.1.1809, aged 2 wks
bur 22.1.1809 Q Turf Lane, grave 64

[James Oddie](#)
b 7.2.1810 Q, Oldham
d 15.1.1818, Rochdale
bur 18.1.1818 Q Rochdale

Then 4 surviving sons:

[Matthew Oddie](#)
b 5.2.1812 Q Oldham
clogger

In 1870s, isolated hamlets and houses in Stonepitfield were joined up by development, and became Duke Street, the main thoroughfare of Milnrow, which, building on the expertise of hand-loom woollen weavers, had become a centre for industrial woollen weaving. The weavers were well-served by a large number of cloggers in the area.



Turf Lane Quaker burial ground

m [Rebecca Brierley](#) 30.4.1840
 Prestwich, St. Mary, both of
 George Street, Oldham, prob with
[Edward & Elizabeth](#)
 1841-1870s, Stonepitfield, Milnrow
 1841C: [Rebecca](#) & 3-m [Mary](#) with
 her parents, [Matthew](#)
 living separately
 1851C: clog and patten maker;
[Brierleys](#) & [Mary](#) 2 doors
 away
 1861 & 1871C: clog manufacturer
 1881C: [Matthew](#) alone, 108 Duke
 St ([Brearleys](#) & [Mary](#) 110);

like many in the area, these houses still
 feature hand-loom weavers' windows on top
 storeys. Close by, off Dale Street is Oddies'
Yard, with 4 dwellings.

[Rebecca](#) an annuitant, with
[Elizabeth](#) & [Jane](#) who are
 lodging-house keepers, 24
 Fosdale Rd, Blackpool
 d aged 69, 25.4.1881, Milnrow
 bur 29.4.1881 Q Turf Lane, gr 127
[Rebecca](#) d aged 75, Blackpool,
 11.2.1888
 bur 17.2.1888 Q Turf
 Lane, grave 127

known ch: [Mary Oddie](#)
 b 1841
 brought up by maternal
 grandparents

[Elizabeth Oddie](#)
 bc1843
 dress-maker & mantle
 maker, lodging-hse keeper

[Jane Oddie](#)
 bc 1848
 dress-maker & mantle-
 maker, lodging-hse keeper

[Robert Brierley Oddie](#)
 bc 1850
SEE MAIN ARTICLE

Memories of Robert B Oddie from *Sibford Old Scholars' Association* magazine, 1917
(condensed)



"Robert Brierley Oddie had a good deal to contend with in his work, but his most notable characteristics were his love of straightforwardness and his dislike of "funk " and "sneaking". If, when you were brought before him for some offence, and you saw that he was angry (he had a warm temper!), your chance to save yourself from what might be a heavy punishment was to look him in the face without any display of emotion, and to answer him surely and naturally. It was infallible!"

"I remember when he left the school at ' prep.' in the evening, with no master to maintain order, on his return to the Upper Schoolroom - up the stone steps in his rubber shoes - he would rattle his keys or money in his pocket, so that he might not come upon us unawares. He had a sense of humour which often tempered his severity, and you could at times see the effort when he tried to suppress the amusement he felt and his attempt to conceal the twinkle of his eye so that he should yet appear stern."

Of Robert Oddie's habit of speaking in puns: "Generally, his memorabilia were pointed by the unexpected. A boy was forbidden to sledge by his parents - he might be killed, many boys met their death while sledging. 'Tell your father,' said Robert Oddie, 'that far more people die in bed; but I risk that every night.'"

"In my day we had a monthly spelling bee. Boys and girls collected in the lower schoolroom and showed considerable prowess with the absurdities of the English spelling book. R.B.O. said he would present a silver medal, the Queen's head on one side and a suitable inscription on the other. This was a sixpence!"

"An extraordinary happening occurred one evening reading. A huge St. Bernard dog, 'Trojan', the pride of R.B.O.'s heart, suddenly barked outside in the road, and a child then screamed. R.B.O. dropped his Bible, threw open the window behind him, and vaulted neatly into the night, leaving us bewildered and leaderless!"

"Near my end of the dining table sat Hamas Hunt, who frankly refused to eat 'skinnock', that unpalatable basis to apple-hat pudding. 'Why?' R.B.O. wanted to know. 'Please, sir,' replied Hamas, ' it's-it's-it's-outside.' 'When you can build puddings without outsides,' was the prompt rejoinder, 'you may leave them, but not till then.'

"A fable from which R.B.O. often drew the lesson is of the ass that was so willing and hardworking that its master fed it with corn, after which the animal gave itself the airs of a horse. So, extra hilarity and rowdiness after a treat was sure to bring down R.B.O.'s cynical 'You can't stand corn!'"

Edward Oddie

b 28.9.1813 Q Rochdale

m [Elizabeth Brearley](#) (not found to be related to his sister-in-law [Rebecca B](#))
10.1.1832, St. Chad's, Rochdale,
both of Milnrow

1841C: not found

1851C: master clogger, emp 4 men,
11 George St, Oldham

1852 Dir.: clogger, same address

[Elizabeth](#) d 1.3.1860, aged 42

1861: same add, master clogger
empl 4

1871C: 7 George Street, clogger &
shoe manufacturer; with
[Elizabeth](#) & g'dau [Eliz. Maria](#)

1881C: same add, clogger & shoe dealer, emp 1 man
d 12.8.1886, aged 72, Oldham

ODDIE Edward. 29 September. The Will of Edward Oddie late of 7 George-street Oldham in the County of Lancaster Clogger and Boot and Shoe Dealer who died 12 August 1886 at 7 George-street was proved at Manchester by Elizabeth Oddie of 7 George-street Spinster the Daughter and Edwin Oddie of 7 Bacup-road Rawtenstall in the said County Grocer and Provision Dealer the Nephew the Executors.

Personal Estate £665 12s. 3d.
Resworn November 1886 £765 12s. 3d.

known ch: **Thomas Oddie**
bc 1834 Rochdale
clogger
prob m Leominster
d Leominster 12.2.1870,
aged 36, bur there

known ch: **Elizabeth Maria Oddie**
b 1835/6, Leominster
1871C-1881C: with
Edward & Eliz
1881C: dom servant

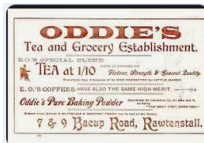
Elizabeth Oddie
bc 1843 Oldham
at home to 1881C at least

William Oddie
b 23.7.1815 Q Rochdale
1 m **Martha Sykes** 3.1.1837 Roch,
both of Milnrow, wit **Henry Oddie**
clogger
wit to **Matthew's** 1840 marr
2 m?..... bet 1849-1855

known ch: **Robert Oddie** 1838
clogger
Edwin Oddie 1840
Harriet Oddie 1843/4
taught at private school
David Oddie 1846/7
Rachel Oddie 1849/50
Sarah Oddie 1855

Henry Oddie
b 29.12.1816 Q Rochdale
m **Fanny**
wit to **William's** 1837 marr
wit to **Matthew's** 1840 marr
1852 Dir.: clogger, Lees Rd, Oldham
d 21.6.1871, aged 54, Lees Rd.,

Edwin was a successful grocer, tea dealer and baking powder manufacturer in large premises (7-9 Bacup Road) in Rawtenstall.



He married and had three daughters; son **Truman William Oddie** was educated at a Quaker Boarding School at Rawden, near Leeds; sadly he died aged 21.

Edwin was an executor of his uncle **Edward** in 1886. A widower, he retired to Southport and died there in 1916. One of his executors was 'Incorporated accountant' **Matthew Oddie**. **Edwin's** death was noted in the Quaker Memorials in 1916.

Oldham & noted in Q Memorials
bur Q Turf Lane, grave 125
Fanny d aged 75, 13.3.1887,
Lees Rd, Oldham
bur 17.3.1887 Q Turf Lane,
grave 125

known ch: Mary Oddie
b 1858
bur Q Turf Lane, gr 125

Reuben Oddie
b ?
bur Q Turf Lane, gr 125

Hannah Oddie
b 1856
d aged 1 m, 1856
bur Q Turf Lane, gr 125

Thomas Oddie
b 3.2.1820 Q Rochdale
d 23.2.1820 Rochdale
bur 25.2.1820 Q Rochdale

Edward Oddie
b 18.9.1776 Q
labourer
d 28.6.1827, aged 57, Little Marsden
bur 1.7.1827 Q Marsden
noted in Q Memorials

children of William & Mary, continued:

Ann Oddie
b 6.9.1726 Q
not found thereafter

Mary Oddie
b 1.7.1729 Q
d 3.10.1771, Edgend, where living with mother, Mary
bur 6.10.1771 'in the New Meeting House Yard', Little Marsden

children of William & Isabella, continued:

Ann Oddie
b 14.4.1691Q
d 18.9.1691 Q
bur 19.7.1691 Twiston Q Burial Ground
Sarah Oddie

b 14.7.1693 Q Sawley Meeting
mother died 9 days later
at Q marriage of uncle [William Atkinson](#) to [Elizabeth Bradley](#), 1709 G'wick
mentioned in father's 1711 will
not found thereafter

NOTE:

Two Oddies buried at Twiston Quaker burial ground escape assimilation into this tree:

Tempest Oddie, of Rimington, died aged 27, and was buried in June 1801. He was the grandson of a Tempest Oddie of Rimington village. Tempest senior's youngest son, William, moved to Newchurch-in-Pendle, where son **Tempest** was born in 1772. **Tempest** moved back to Rimington, and married Mary Wilkinson at Gisburn parish church in 1796. Two daughters were born (and baptised at Gisburn) before his untimely death. He was entitled to burial at Gisburn, and no explanation of his Quaker burial has been found.

Mary Oddie, of Downham, was even younger than **Tempest** – 16 – when she died. She was buried at Twiston in June 1807, although entitled to burial at Downham. Her parentage cannot be established – but there can be no doubt that she fits into the larger ODDIE tree somewhere!