

THE BRITTAINS OF BILSDALE

Introduction

I have been looking into the history of the **Brittain** family who were farming **Staindale** Farm, near Chop Gate in Biltsdale, in 1783 when my four times Great Grandparents, John and Joanna Tireman baptised their eldest son John Tireman junior at St. Hilda's Church, Biltsdale Midcable on 4th May 1783.

John Tireman senior was born around 1761/62 and was living at nearby Faceby on 11th March 1783 when he married Joanna Brittain at Whorlton Parish Church. The marriage register said Joanna was living in Whorlton. She must have been heavily pregnant when the marriage took place because on 4th May 1783 they baptised their first child, John Tireman junior at Biltsdale St. Hilda's. The baptism register said they were then living at Staindale.

The survey of Biltsdale taken in 1781/82 shows the joint tenants of Staindale to be James and Stephen Brittain. As Joanna's maiden name was Brittain, it is likely she was the daughter of either Stephen or James. By 1787 John and Joanna had moved to Great Ayton. Here John and Joanna baptised a second son called Stephen on 26th December 1789. It is therefore likely that Joanna was the daughter of Stephen Brittain and named her son after him. It may even have been Stephen Brittain who helped them to get the tenancy of a farm in Great Ayton.

John and Joanna Tireman finally settled in Danby where Joanna died on 28th March 1845 aged 84. That would make her year of birth around 1760. A baptism of a Joanna Brittain has not been found. However there is a baptism for a Jane Brittain, daughter of Stephen Brittain at Biltsdale on 13th July 1760. It is possible that this is actually Joanna. It has been suggested that as 'Joanna' was the Roman Catholic form of 'Jane', many Church of England vicars would not use this name at a baptism and would use 'Jane' instead. The names John and Joanna gave their children include Stephen, Dorothy and James, all Brittain family names. There was also a daughter called Hannah who could have been named after Stephen Brittain's wife Ann who could have been Joanna's mother.

To date I have looked at the transcripts of the parish registers for Biltsdale St. Hilda's, the Monumental Inscriptions for Biltsdale St. Hilda's, the 1851-1901 census, the sale particulars for the sale of the Biltsdale estate in 1944 and the Biltsdale surveys taken in 1637, 1642, 1781/82, 1814 & 1826. I have looked at some Quaker records for Biltsdale in the course of my Tireman research but have found no mention of the name Brittain. I was lucky enough to visit Staindale farm in October 2005 and explore the surrounding area.

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**Map of North York Moors National Park.
Biltsdale is where the village of Chop Gate is.**

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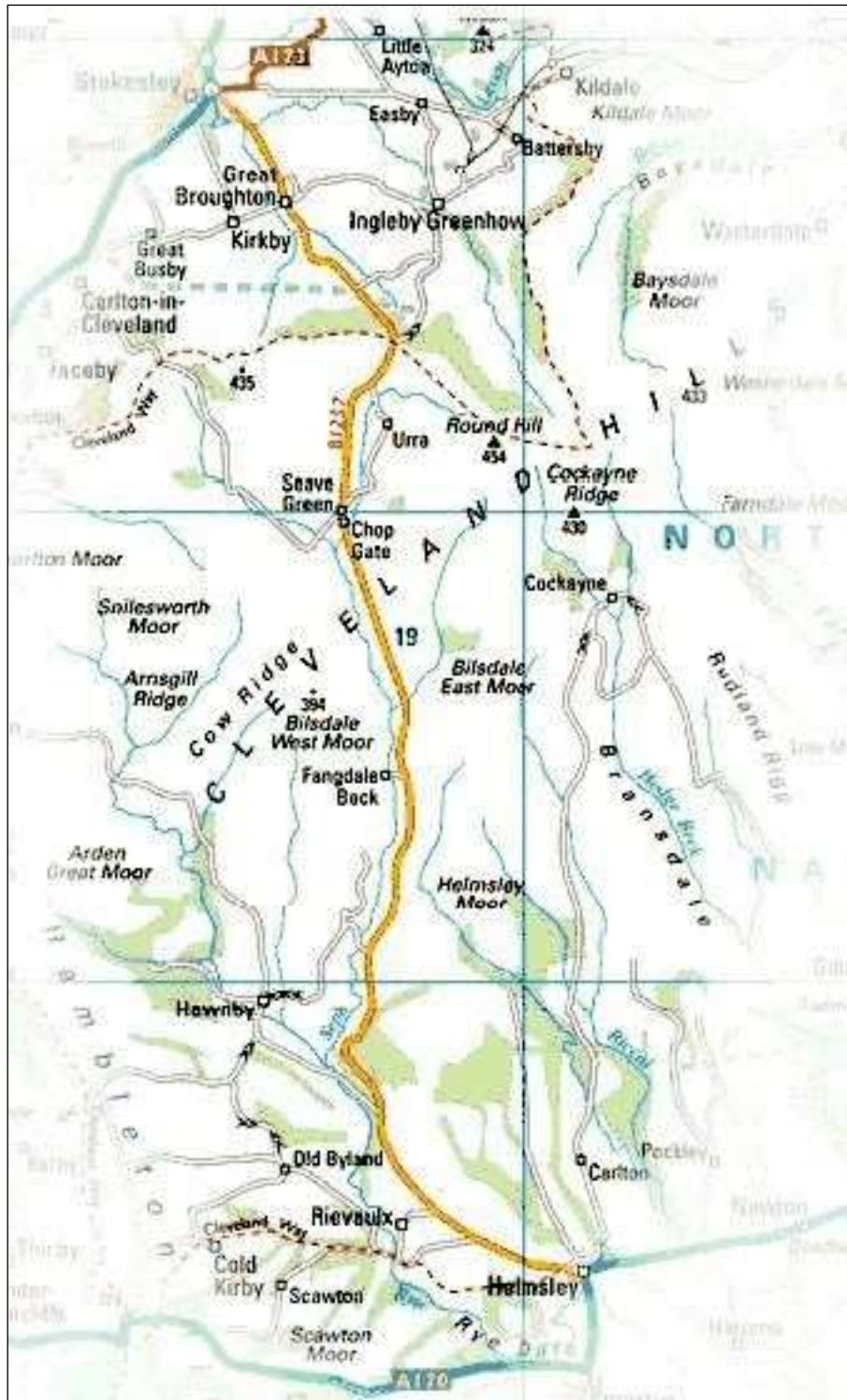
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The Brittains of Bilsdale

Bilsdale is a dale situated in the Cleveland Hills in North Yorkshire. The Brittains tenanted the farms of Staindale, Low Crosslets and West Cote on the moors of West Bank and Cringle near Chop Gate Village and Raisdale Road, some 8 miles to the NE of Osmotherley, 5 miles SE of Whorlton and Faceby, 8 mile SE of Stokesley and about 7 miles north of Helmsley.



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James Brittain and Dorothy Raine (married 1713)

On 20th May 1713 a **James Brittain** married a **Dorothy Raine** at Bilsdale. James was described as a yeoman and Dorothy as a spinster. This is the first mention of a Brittain in the Bilsdale parish registers. The surveys of Bilsdale undertaken in 1637 and 1642 do not include the name Brittain.

It is likely that James Brittain came to Bilsdale from elsewhere, perhaps through a family connection.

The baptisms of five of James and Dorothy's children appear in the Bilsdale Parish Registers. Unfortunately the registers are in poor condition and illegible in places so it is possible that other entries exist but will never be found. The entries that I have are taken from the transcript of the registers in Northallerton record office and cross-checked with the IGI.

Mary Brittain was baptised on 7th May 1714, **Jane** on 27th September 1715, **Dorothy** on 10th March 1719, **Easter** on 1st May 1721 and **James** on 1 January 1723.

It is also likely that James and Dorothy had a sixth child, **Stephen** Brittain who was probably born around 1725.

Dorothy married Mark Leng in 1745 and Easter married William Bentley in 1765. James married Elizabeth Belt in 1774 (see below) and Stephen married Ann (see below).

On 31st May 1774 Dorothy Brittain, wife of James was buried at Bilsdale. It is not known when James died.

On the 1781 Bilsdale Survey, **Staindale** was jointly tenanted by James Brittain who held 56 acres and Stephen Brittain who held 51 acres. It is likely that James and Stephen were brothers and both sons of James Brittain, yeoman of Bilsdale and Dorothy Raine. James held the lands to the north of the farm buildings, and Stephen held the lands to the south and east. They also jointly tenanted a 20 acre field known as "Wath" on the west side of Wath Hill.

It may be that when James Brittain senior died the tenancy of his farm was split equally between his two sons. Hence the joint tenancy of the Wath field. The 1637 and 1642 surveys do not show Staindale to have been split. In 1637 the tenant was a Christopher Flintoffe and in 1642 it was widow Adamson.



St. Hilda's Church, Bilsdale

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James Brittain (1723-1808) and Elizabeth Belt

James and Dorothy Brittain's eldest son was **James Brittain** baptised on 1st January 1723 at Biltsdale St. Hilda's.

James married **Elizabeth Belt** on 21st July 1774 at Biltsdale by licence. James would have been over 50 at the time of the marriage so it is possible this was his second marriage. A **Jane Brittain**, daughter of James Brittain was baptised at Biltsdale on 5th March 1763 so could have been from his first marriage.

The transcripts of the Biltsdale parish registers show the baptisms of three children and burials of two children of James Brittain. On 21st January 1775 **Dorothy Brittain** was baptised. On 23rd April 1777 **William Brittain** was baptised and on 27th February 1781 **Joseph Brittain** was baptised. **James Brittain** was buried on 13th May 1787 and **Hester Brittain** on 14th February 1794 at Biltsdale.

All three surviving children married at Biltsdale. **Dorothy** married **John Leng** in 1794. **William** married **Mary Leng** in 1797 and **Joseph** married **Susanna Fisher** in 1804.

On the 1781/82 survey of Biltsdale James Brittain was a farmer of 56 acres at **Staindale**. By the time he was buried on 9th May 1808 aged 85 he was a yeoman of Stokesley. He probably retired there leaving his half of the farm at Staindale in the hands of his eldest son William and perhaps going to live with one of his other children. He was taken back to Biltsdale to be buried.

James Brittain left a **will** which he made on 4th January 1808, some 4 months before he died. He was described in the will as a yeoman of Stokesley. The executors were Snowden Stephenson, flax dresser of Stokesley and William Ward, saddler of Stokesley. It appears that he had several dwelling houses, hereditaments and tenements in Stokesley belonging to a George Jolley and which were granted in mortgage to himself and his late brother-in-law, Mark Leng, who had married James Brittain's sister, Dorothy in 1719.

James Brittain directed that his estate was to be invested in Government securities with half yearly payments being made to his family; £40 to his son William Brittain (then the joint tenant of Staindale), £80 to his son Joseph Brittain and £80 to his daughter Dorothy Leng, who had married John Leng in 1794. The residue of the estate along with the household goods and furniture went to his widow Elizabeth.

James' widow Elizabeth, who was 20 years is junior, lived to be 76 and was buried at Biltsdale on 13th August 1819. She was described in the burial register as a "widow of Broom Flat". Broomfleet is the hamlet just to the east of Staindale.

James and Elizabeth's son **William Brittain** born around 1801 took over **Staindale**. He had married Mary Leng in 1797 and they had six children, James in 1798, Willey was buried in 1799, William was born around 1801, Thomas was born around 1803, Mary was born in 1804 and Sarah was born in 1808. By 1826, William's cousin Stephen Brittain had moved to **Low Crosslets** farm and William had taken over almost all of Staindale save for 9 acres near to the house and garth which were tenanted by a **William Wood**.

William Brittain senior died between the 1851 and 1861 censuses. His son, **William Brittain junior** then took over Staindale which he farmed with his brother **Thomas Brittain**. Neither of the brothers married. Their sister Sarah acted as housekeeper for them. **Sarah Brittain** married **William Ward** in 1837 and their son **William Ward junior** had taken over Staindale from his uncles by 1871. William married a woman called Sarah and they had at least five children. By 1881 William Ward junior and his family had moved to Carlton-in Stokesley and Staindale left the hands of the Brittain family.

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Stephen Brittain (died 1790) and Ann

Stephen Brittain, who was jointly farming Staindale with James Brittain in 1781/82 is probably James' brother and also the son of James Brittain and Dorothy Raine.

Stephen Brittain married **Ann**. The Bilsdale parish registers show the baptisms of four of their children and the burial of one. **Dorothy** was baptised on 21st June 1756 and is likely to have died young. **Elizabeth** was buried on 6th June 1760. **Jane** was baptised on 13th July 1760. Another **Dorothy** was baptised on 6th June 1770 and **Stephen** was baptised on 12th November 1773.

It is also likely that Stephen and Ann had another daughter named **Joanna Brittain** who was living at Staindale in 1783 when she baptised her eldest child. She was my four times Great Grandmother. Joanna died at Danby on 28th March 1845 aged 84 which would have made her year of birth around 1761 if the age at death was accurate. No baptism has been found for her but it has been suggested that she was actually the Jane baptised in 1760.

Stephen Brittain, farmer, was buried on 3rd October 1790 at Bilsdale. His wife Ann lived to be 91 and was buried with him on 9th December 1819. The burial register said she came from Carlton which is probably Carlton-in-Stokesley. Perhaps one of her daughters had moved there and Ann went to live with her.

In 1784 a **Jane Brittain** married **George Garbutt** at Bilsdale. It is likely that this is Jane daughter of James baptised in 1763 who would have been exactly 21 years old in 1784.

Joanna Brittain married **John Tireman** at Whorlton in March **1783**. They baptised their first son John at Bilsdale two months later. They then went on to farm at Great Ayton where they baptised Sarah in 1787 and **Stephen Tireman**, my three times Great Grandfather, in 1789. By 1791 they had moved to Fryup in the parish of Danby where they baptised a further four children Hannah in 1791, Joseph in 1793, Dorothy in 1795 and James in 1798. When John Tireman died on 1st September 1823 at the age of 62, they were living at Dale End, Danby. Joanna died a pauper at Danby in 1845, aged 84. She had been living with her unmarried daughter Dorothy at the time of the 1841 census.

Stephen Brittain junior, the only known son of Stephen and Ann Brittain, was baptised in 1773 and took over his father's half of the **Staindale** tenancy when Stephen Brittain senior died in 1790. He married **Ann Hughill**, daughter of a farmer called Joseph Hughill in 1799. The 1814 survey of Bilsdale shows Stephen Brittain to be at Staindale but by 1826 he had moved a couple of farms south to **Low Crosslets** and his cousin **William Brittain** had taken over the majority of Staindale. Low Crosslets farm is situated near Raisdale Beck and just off Raisdale Road. Staindale is approx 1 mile to the NW of Low Crosslets on Bilsdale West Moor, also accessed off Raisdale Road.

Stephen Brittain died on 2nd October 1861 at the age of 88 and is buried at Bilsdale with his wife Ann who died on 1st January 1842 at Bilsdale aged 65.

Stephen Brittain and Ann Hughill baptised three children at Bilsdale. **Hannah** in 1799, **Stephen** in 1802 and **Ann** in 1811. **Hannah** went on to marry **Stephen Hoggard** and had a son named George. **Stephen** married **Ann Hoggart** in 1834 and had a daughter Priscilla and a step-son called Andrew Hoggard who became a farmer at Ingleby Greenhow. Stephen died in 1859 and was buried at Bilsdale with his parents.

Ann Brittain was born in 1811 and in 1831 she married Stephen Ward. They lived at **Low Crosslets** with her father who had been widowed in 1842. When her father, Stephen Brittain died in 1861, Ann and her husband **Stephen Ward** took over Low Crosslets. Their son **Brittain Ward** then took over the farm when his father died in 1880. Ann lived until 1886. Brittain Ward married Hannah from Bilsdale and had five children. By 1901 he had moved to **West Cote**, a farm neighbouring Low Crosslets but with a greater acreage.

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Staindale & Low Crosslets

Staindale Farm stands in a remote situation 850 feet above sea level on Bilsdale West Moor in an area known as Raisdale, about 2 miles north of Chop Gate Village. To the north west are the villages of Whorlton, Faceby, Swainby and Carlton-in-Cleveland. To the north are Cringle Moor and Thwaites House. To the south are Raisdale Mill Plantation, High Crosslets Farm, Low Crosslets Farm and West Cote Farm. Staindale Farm is approached by a long track leading from Raisdale Road.



Staindale is presently farmed by Mr John Cook who has been there for many years. He is the son of Frank Cook who was farming West Cote Farm in 1944. Mr Cook still farms the same fields as James and Stephen Brittain did apart from the field on Wath Hill. The present farm house was built in 1857 when William Brittain was the tenant and is said to have cost £250. It is said to have been built by someone from Whitby. The current owner is a lottery winner from Hull.

The old farmhouse still remains in the farmyard and is now used as a cow byre. It appears to have been two cottages at one time. From looking at the timbers inside, the right hand side of the building appears to be older than the left hand side.



Staindale is mentioned in the 1637 and 1642 Bilsdale Surveys. By the time of the 1781/82 surveys the tenants were the Brittain family whose descendants remained there until the 1870s.



Low Crosslets is no longer a farm but now a private house nestling in the slightly lower ground at the side of Raisdale Road, obscured from Staindale by Wath Hill. West Cote farm is the next one along Raisdale Road from Low Crosslets when travelling towards Chop Gate.

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1637 BILSDALE SURVEY

On 28th July 1637 a survey of the Helmsley estates of the Earl of Rutland was undertaken. The following extract refers to Staindale.

“Christopher Flintoffe holds by lease one tenement called **Staindale Cote**, one backhouse, one barne, one hayhouse, one close meadowe called the intack containing 7 acres, one close called the Pryfeild meadowe in two parts containing 4 acres, Roundefeild meadowe containing 2 acres, Woodfeild arable containing 2 acres, the Holme and Taileinge pasture containing 2 acres, Little Taileing arable containing one acres, the Cloughe Intacke pasture in two partes containing 10 acres, in Warthe pasture 6 acres and a half: and paies at the said feasts yearly **£2 1s 10d.**”

This totals 33 acres

1642 BILSDALE SURVEY

In 1642 a survey of the Helmsley Estate of Lord Francis Villiers was undertaken. The following extract refers to Staindale:

“Staindale Farm : Widdow Adamson tennaunt per annum **£10.**

			Quantitie	Value per annum
3	4	Inprimis the houses & garths, Tale ings, Homewoode Feilde, Rounde Feilde, White Lea Feilde & Prye Feilde: pasture & medowe	53 1 0	8 17 6
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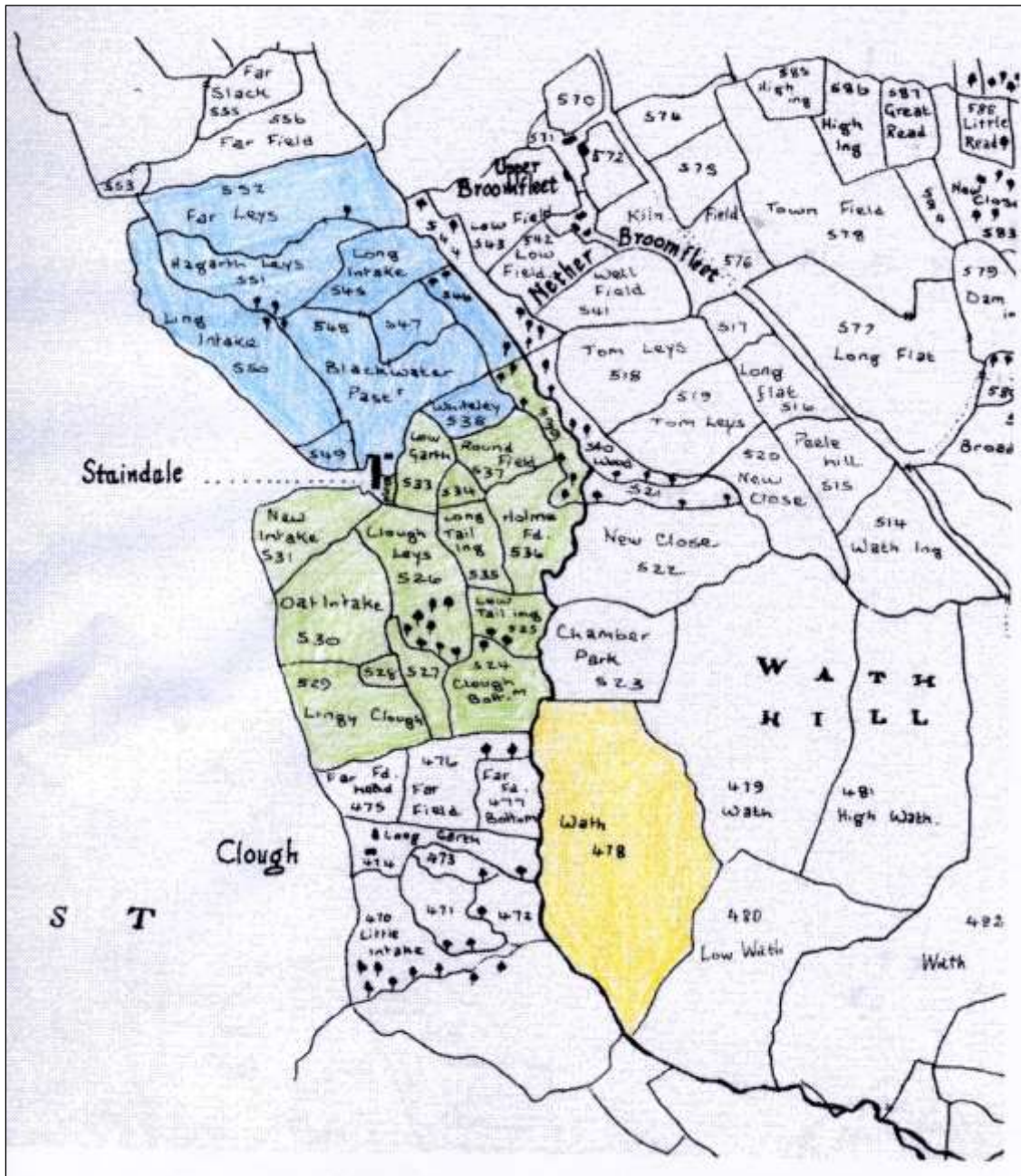
1781/82 BILSDALE SURVEY

In 1781 a survey of the Bilsdale Estate of Charles Slingsby Duncombe Esq was undertaken by William Calvert of Sutton upon Trent, Notts. The survey was accompanied by a map which was revised in 1782. The following extracts refer to Staindale which was split into two virtually equal halves. The Land to the south and east of the garth, or farmhouse & buildings (marked in green on the map on the following page) was tenanted by James Brittain and the land to the north of the farmhouse (marked in blue on the map) was tenanted by Stephen Brittain. They also jointly tenanted a 20 plus acre field called Wath to the south east of James Brittain's land (marked in yellow on the map) The field numbers, field names and acreage are shown.

37 Staindale	James Brittain	56	0	29
524	Clough Bottom	(3	3	20)
525	Low Tail Ing	(2	1	1)
526	Clough Leys	(5	2	35)
527	New Bottom	(1	1	11)
528	Build	(0	2	16)
529	Lingy Clough	(5	2	35)
530	Oat Intake	(5	3	36)
531	New Intake	(4	3	1)
532	Garth	(0	2	4)
533	Low Garth	(1	3	32)
534	Tail Ing Head	(0	2	28)
535	Long Tail Ing	(2	2	14)
536	Holme Field	(4	0	38)
537	Round Field	(2	3	20)
539	Round Field Head	(2	0	38)
Half of 478	Wath	(10	3	20)

38 Staindale	Stephen Brittain	51	3	35
538	Whiteley	(1	2	29)
545	Long Intake	(3	2	16)
546	Calf Close	(2	0	11)
547	Little Pry	(2	0	14)
548	Blackwater Pasture	(8	2	36)
549	High Garth	(1	0	2)
550	Ling intake	(8	0	19)
551	Hagarth Leys	(5	1	24)
552	Far Leys	(8	1	24)
Half of 478	Wath	(10	3	20)

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Map from 1781 Survey Showing Staindale
 (James Brittain's land Marked in Blue, Stephen Brittain's land in green, joint land in yellow)

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1814 VALUATION OF BILSDALE

In 1814 a valuation of Bilsdale was carried out.

The details show the name, tenant and total acreage of each tenanment. Field numbers and names refer to the 1781/82 map above. The valuation per acre in shillings is given for each field. The total valuation of each tenanment comprises the value given in an 1808 survey (not documented) plus a surcharge relating to how much the land value had increased since 1808.

Staindale came under the "Bilsdale Midcable and Prior Land" section of the survey. As in 1781/82, Staindale was still divided into two virtually equal halves. The Land to the south and east of the farmhouse (marked in green on the map on the previous page) was tenanted by William Brittain. William Brittain was James Brittain's son. The land to the north of the farmhouse (marked in blue on the map) was tenanted by Stephen Brittain. They also jointly tenanted the field called Wath to the south east of William Brittain's land (marked in yellow on the map).

Staindale	William Brittain	56	0	29
524	Clough Bottom &			
525	Low Tail Ing	8 shillings per acre		
526	Clough Leys	8 shillings per acre		
527	New Bottom	5 shillings per acre		
528	Build	6 shillings per acre		
529	Lingy Clough	4 shillings per acre		
530	Oat Intake	6 shillings per acre		
531	New Intake	5 shillings per acre		
532	Garth	£1 1s per year		
533	Low Garth	13 shillings per acre		
534	Tail Ing Head	12 shillings per acre		
535	Long Tail Ing	13 shillings per acre		
536	Holme Field	13 shillings per acre		
537	Round Field &			
539	Round Field Head	13 shillings per acre		
Half of 478	Wath	4 shillings per acre		

Valuation £29 16s 10d (£22 19s 10d plus £6 17s 0d surcharge)

Staindale	Stephen Brittain	51	3	35
538	Whiteley	13 shillings per acre		
545	Long Intake	11 shillings per acre		
546	Calf Close	3 shillings per acre		
547	Little Pry	13 shillings per acre		
548	Blackwater Pasture	11 shillings per acre		
549	High Garth	10 shillings per acre		
550	Ling intake	7 shillings per acre		
551	Hagarth Leys	12 shillings per acre		
552	Far Leys	12 shillings per acre		
Half of 478	Wath	4 shillings per acre		

Valuation £30 5s 1d (£23 6s 1d plus £6 19s 0d surcharge)

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1826 BILSDALE SURVEY

In 1826 Tukes & Ayer carried out "a Survey of land in the parishes of Helmsley and Hawnby, property of the Right Hon. Lord Feversham". The survey showed that William Brittain now tenanted virtually the whole of Staindale, apart from the 9 acres surrounding the farmhouse which were tenanted by a William Wood. Stephen Brittain had moved to Low Crosslets Farm, just south of Staindale. Staindale came under the "High Mid Cable" section whereas Low Crosslets was split between the "Prior Land" and "High Mid Cable".

William Brittain: Staind Hill

1862	Rough Wath	12	1	22
1927	Wath	3	3	12
1928	Wath	4	3	13
1939	Lingy Clough	5	3	25
1940	Build	0	2	10
1941	New Bottom	1	0	37
1942	Old Mare Bottom	2	1	18
1943	Low Tail Ing	1	2	35
1944	Middle Tail Ing	2	0	19
1945	Carr	3	1	3
1946	Middle Intake	3	3	4
1947	Oat Intake	2	3	32
1948	Clough Leys	2	1	21
1949	Long Tail Ing	2	1	18
1950	Holm Field	4	3	23
1951	Round Field	3	3	15
1952	Low Garth	2	0	4
1953	Homestead &c	0	1	25
1955	Lane &c	0	2	1
1961	High Prye	2	0	35
1962	Little Prye	2	0	5
1963	Black Water Pasture	3	0	35
1964	Whiteley Field	2	0	16
1965	Black Water Pasture Brow	2	1	31
1990	Long Intake	3	1	18
1991	Far Pry	2	0	2
1992	Hoggart Leys	3	1	25
1993	Lingy Intake	8	3	13
1994	High Build	1	3	22
1995	High Far Field	3	0	25
1996	Low Far Field	4	0	21

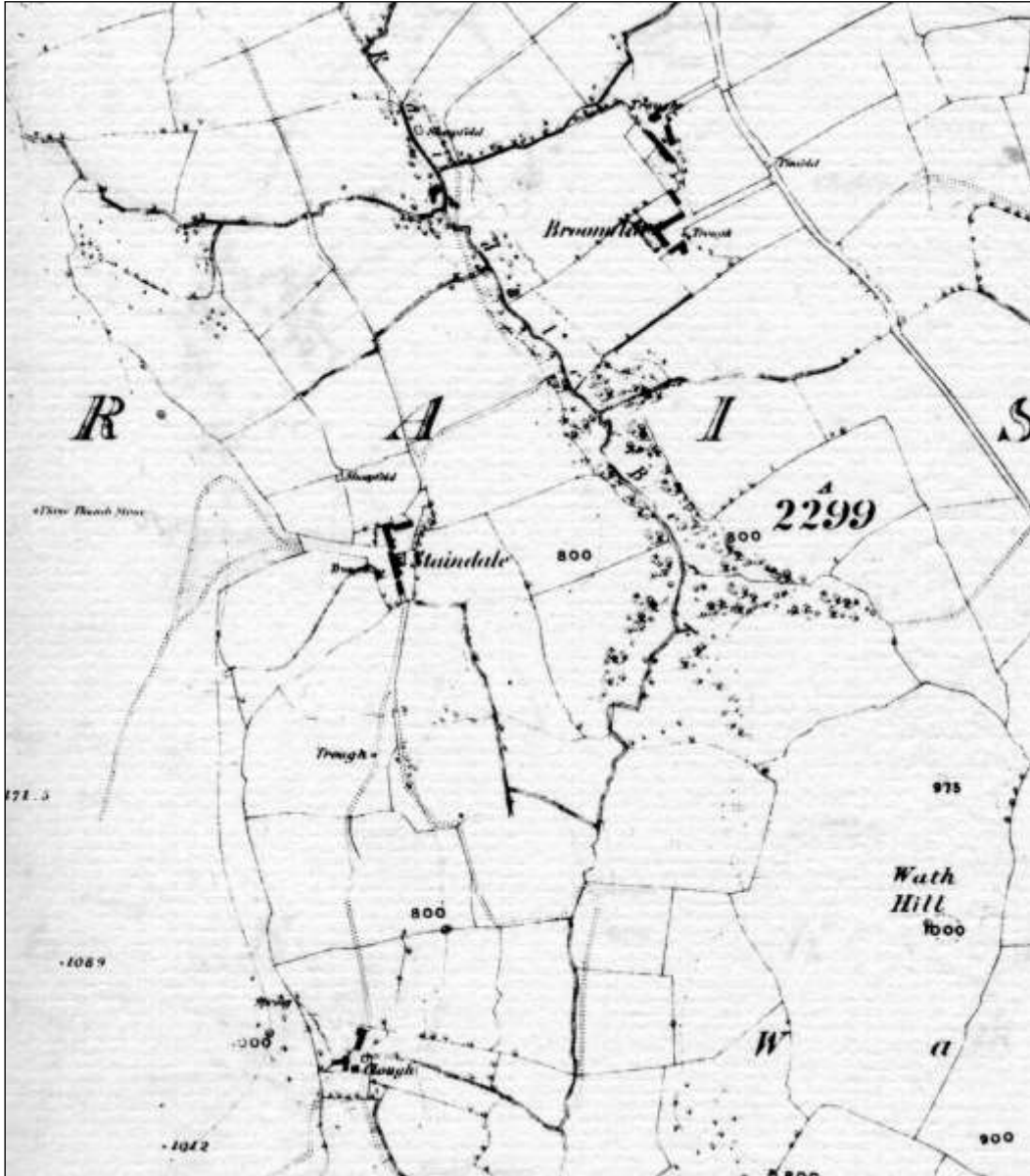
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William Wood: Staind Hill

1954	New Intake	12	1	22
1956	House &c	3	3	12
1957	Garden	4	3	13
1958	Back Garth	5	3	25
1959	Claf Garth	0	2	10
1960	Intake	1	0	37

		9	2	3

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Staindale in 1826

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Stephen Brittain: Low Crosslets

1254	High Adamson Intake	4	3	2
1255	Low Adamson Intake	5	1	4
1256	Low Bottom	1	0	35
1257	Middle Bottom	1	0	16
1258	High Bottom	2	2	0
1259	Great Intake	10	1	19
1260	Leys	5	1	33
1261	Hussocks	5	2	8
1272	New Intake	5	0	34

		12	1	17

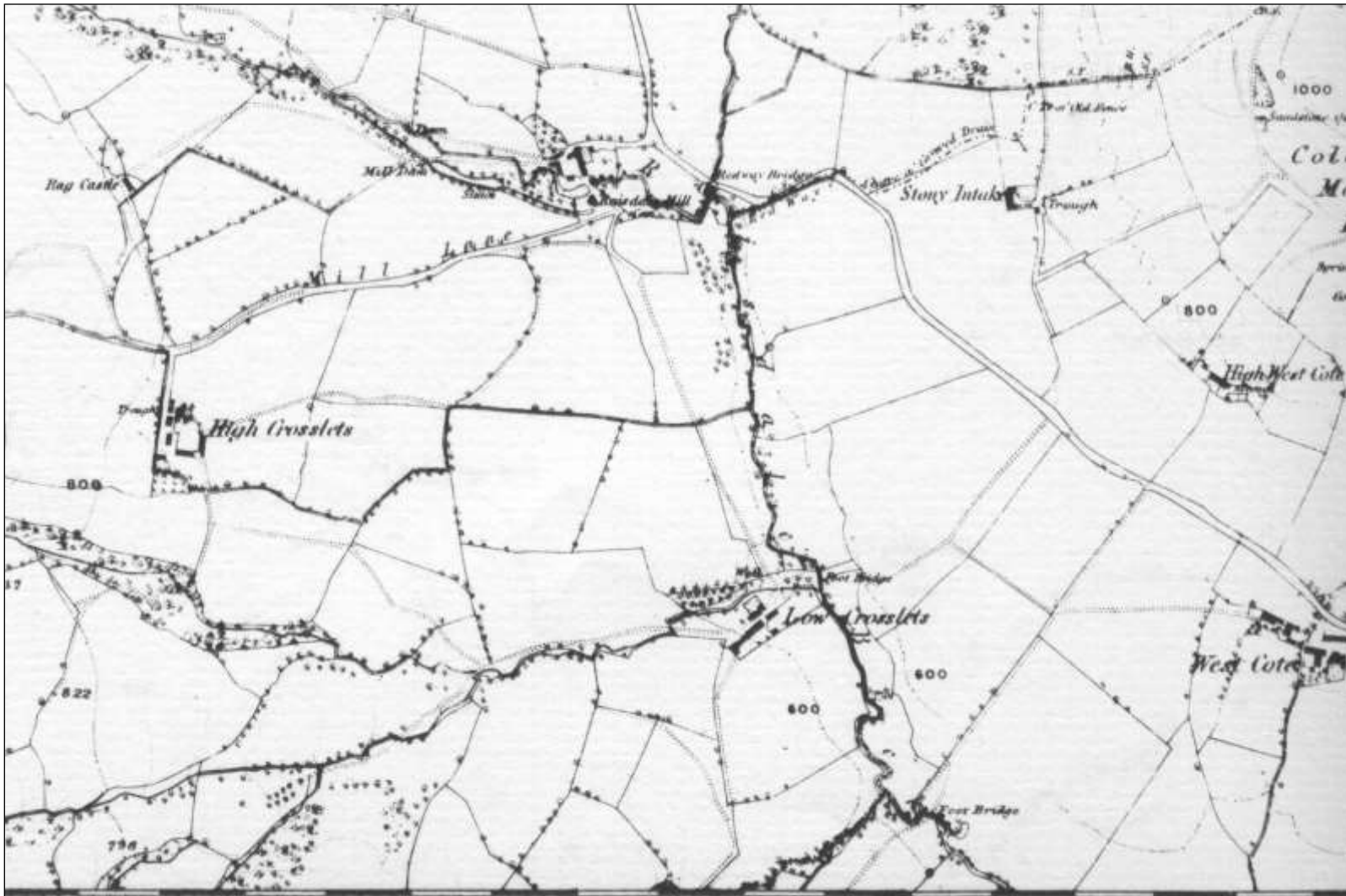
High Mid Cable

Stephen Brittain: Low Crosslets

1811	High Prize	5	1	14
1812	Calf Close	6	0	19
1813	Low Prize	5	1	11
1814	Lamb Park	2	0	26
1814	Garth	0	1	15

		19	1	5

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1826 Map showing Raisdale Mill, High Crosslets, Low Crosslets & West Cote

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1851 CENSUS

In 1851 a population census of England and Wales was carried out. Each household was listed with the name, marital status, age, occupation, date of birth and place of birth of each person in the household along with their relationship to the head of the household.

Living at **Staindale** in 1851 was William Brittain, his wife Mary and their two sons William and Thomas. William was described as a farmer of 80 acres with 2 labourers. The family also had two house servants.

William Brittain had married Mary Leng in 1797. He was the eldest son of James Brittain who was farming Staindale in 1781/82. James had died in 1808 aged 85 years and William had taken over the farm.

1851 Census for Staindale, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire Ref: HO 107/2372/19/128

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
William BRITTAİN	Head	Married	73	Farmer of 80 acres employing 2 labourers	Bilsdale, Yorks
Mary BRITTAİN	Wife	Married	80	Ag Lab	Bilsdale, Yorks
William BRITTAİN	Son	UnMarried	50		Bilsdale, Yorks
Thomas BRITTAİN	Son	UnMarried	48		Bilsdale, Yorks
Mary Ann BENTLEY	Servant	UnMarried	23	House Servant	Snilesworth, Yorks
Ann GARBUTT	Servant	UnMarried	15	House Servant	Bilsdale, Yorks

Living at **Low Crosslets** in 1851 was Stephen Brittain senior and his son Stephen Brittain junior. If my assumptions are correct this would be the brother and nephew of Joanna Tireman nee Brittain. There were also four live-in servants, two female house servants and two male farm servants. Stephen Brittain senior was described as a farmer of 106 acres employing 2 labourers.

Stephen Brittain senior was the cousin of William Brittain who was living at Staindale. He had been born at Bilsdale in 1773, the son of Stephen Brittain and his wife Ann. His father Stephen Brittain had died in 1790 and he had taken over his father's half of the Staindale tenancy. It was also around 1790 that John and Joanna Tireman had moved from Great Ayton to Fryup near Danby. Unfortunately no will has been found for Stephen Brittain senior.

Stephen Brittain, who was farming **Low Crosslet** in 1851, had married Ann Hughill in 1799. They had three children. Hannah, the eldest was born in 1799. She married Stephen Hoggard in 1824. The second child was Stephen Brittain junior who was born in 1802 and living with his widowed father at Low Crosslet in 1851. The youngest child was Ann who was born in 1881 and married Stephen Ward in 1831. Their mother, Ann had died in 1842 aged 65.

1851 Census for Low Crosslet, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire Ref: HO 107/2372/17
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Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
Stephen BRITTAİN	Head	Widower	77	Farmer of 106 acres employing 3 labourers	Bilsdale, Yorks
Stephen BRITTAİN	Son	Married	48	Ag Lab	Bilsdale, Yorks
Jane RABY	Servant	UnMarried	26	House Servant	Bilsdale, Yorks
Ann CHAPMAN	Servant	UnMarried	15	House Servant	Bilsdale, Yorks
Isaac WARD	Servant	UnMarried	14	Farm Servant	Snilesworth, Yorks
Joseph CHAPMAN	Servant	UnMarried	24	Farm Servant	Bilsdale, Yorks

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1861 CENSUS

A further population census was taken in 1861.

William Brittain senior and his wife Mary, who had farmer Staindale in 1851, had died. **Staindale** was now farmer by their son William Brittain and his brother Thomas, both of whom were not married.

William had been born in 1799 and Thomas in 1800. They had an elder brother named James Brittain who was born in 1798 but no trace has been found of him so he may have died. They also had two younger sisters, Mary born 1804 and Sarah born 1808. In 1837 Sarah had married a farmer's son named William Ward and in 1843 they had baptised a son called William Ward at Bilsdale. William Ward was living at Staindale with his uncles in 1861 and working as a carter. His mother, Sarah was also living at Staindale acting as housekeeper for her brothers. The census described them as William Brittain's servants rather than his nephew and sister. They also had a general servant.

1861 Census for Staindale, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire Ref: RG9/3658/109/3

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
William BRITTAIN	Head	Single	60	Farmer of 100 acres	Bilsdale, Yorks
Thomas BRITTAIN	Brother	Single	58	Ag Lab	Bilsdale, Yorks
William WARD	Servant	Single	17	Carter	Bilsdale, Yorks
Sarah WARD	Servant	Married	50	Housekeeper	Bilsdale, Yorks
Hannah SWALES	Servant	Single	20	General Servant	Brotton, Yorks

Stephen Brittain senior was still farming the 109 acres at **Low Crosslets** in 1861 despite being 88 years of age. His wife had died in 1842 and his son Stephen in 1859 at the age of 57. Living with him was his youngest daughter Ann who had married Stephen Ward in 1831. Ann and Stephen's son, Brittain Ward who had been born in 1833 was also living with them. Ann was acting as housekeeper for her family and Brittain was a carter. There was also a 4 year old Ann Garbutt living with them, described as Stephen Brittain's Great Grand daughter. It is not clear where she fits in although Stephen Brittain's sister Jane had married George Garbutt in 1774 so there were links between the two families. In addition, there were two servants, Hannah Wood and William Cook who was a plough boy.

1861 Census for Low Crosslets, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire Ref: RG9/3658/109/4

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
Stephen BRITTAIN	Head	Widow	88	Farmer of 109 acres	Bilsdale, Yorks
Stephen WARD	Son-in-Law	Married	61		Bilsdale, Yorks
Ann WARD	Daughter	Married	50	Housekeeper	Bilsdale, Yorks
Brittain WARD	Grandson	UnMarried	27	Carter	Bilsdale, Yorks
Ann GARBUTT	Gt Grand Dau	UnMarried	4		Broughton, Yorks
Hannah WOOD	Servant	UnMarried	16		Bilsdale, Yorks
William H. COOK	Servant	UnMarried	14	Plowboy	Marske, Yorks

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1871 CENSUS

A further population census was taken in 1871.

In 1871 Staindale was tenanted by William Brittain's daughter and son-in-law, Sarah and William Ward. William Ward's uncles William and Thomas Brittain may have died or retired as they would both be in their early 70s by then. William and Sarah Ward had just started a family and had a ten month old son called Joseph. William's widowed father was also living with them. Also living-in was a farm servant named Christopher Hugill.

1871 Census for Staindale, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG10/4860/117

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
William WARD	Head	Married	37	Farmer of 100 acres	Bilsdale, Yorks
Sarah WARD	Wife	Married	22	Farmer's wife	Bilsdale, Yorks
Joseph WARD	Son	UnMarried	10m		Bilsdale, Yorks
William WARD	Father	Widower	66	Retired Farmer	Bilsdale, Yorks
Mary Ann WARD	Sister	UnMarried	30	Dressmaker	Bilsdale, Yorks
Christopher HUGILL	Servant	UnMarried	19	Farm Servant	Bilsdale, Yorks

Stephen Brittain had died and had been buried with his wife and son at Bilsdale St. Hilda's. The tenancy of **Low Crosslets** had been taken over by his daughter Ann Ward, her husband Stephen Ward and son Brittain Ward. They had one general servant.

1871 Census for Low Crosslets, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG10/4860/22/117/6/27

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
Stephen WARD	Head	Married	71	Farmer of 100 acres	Bilsdale, Yorks
Ann WARD	Wife	Married	60	Farmer's wife	Bilsdale, Yorks
Brittain WARD	Son	UnMarried	37	Farmer's son	Bilsdale, Yorks
Margret HUGILL	Servant	UnMarried	12	General Servant	Bilsdale, Yorks

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1881 CENSUS

A further population census was taken in 1881.

By 1881 **Staindale** had ceased to be occupied by the Britains and their descendants. A 45-year-old **Christopher Wass** was in occupation with his wife and three children. William Ward, the grandson of William Brittain, had moved to Carlton-in-Stokesley with his wife Sarah and five children some time between 1872 and 1875. He was working as a labourer.

1881 Census for Staindale, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG11/4866/15

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
Christopher WASS	Head	Married	45	Farmer of 109 acres	Kirkleatham, Yorks
Betsey WASS	Wife	Married	46		Bilsdale, Yorks
Jane WASS	Daughter	UnMarried	19		Bilsdale, Yorks
George WASS	Son	UnMarried	15		Bilsdale, Yorks
Elizabeth WASS	Daughter	UnMarried	11		Bilsdale, Yorks

Stephen Brittain's Grandson, Brittain Ward was farming 95 acres at **Low Crosslet**. His widowed mother, 70-year-old Ann Ward, was living with him. She was described as an annuitant, which means she was in receipt of an annuity, perhaps left to her by her husband, Stephen Ward who had died between the 1871 and 1881 census. They also had two farm servants in 1881.

1881 Census for Low Crosslet, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG11/4866/14

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
Brittain WARD	Head	UnMarried	47	Farmer of 95 acres employing 1 man	Bilsdale, Yorks
Ann WARD	Mother	Widow	70	Annuitant	Bilsdale, Yorks
Annah E. AINSLEY	Servant	UnMarried	18	Farm servant domestic	Bilsdale, Yorks
Benjamin LENG	Servant	UnMarried	18	Farm servant indoor	Bilsdale, Yorks

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1891 CENSUS

A further population census was taken in 1891.

By 1891 the tenant of **Staindale** was a 24-year-old farmer named **George W. Ideson** who had been born at Sutton. He was living with his wife, two children and step-daughter. They also had a farm servant who had been born at Ayton.

1891 Census for Staindale, Biltsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG12/4023/64/11

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
George W. IDESON	Head	Married	24	Farmer	Sutton, Yorks
Annie E. IDESON	Wife	Married	29	Farmer's wife	Appleton Wiske, Yorks
William IDESON	Son	UnMarried	4		Biltsdale, Yorks
Elsie IDESON	Daughter	UnMarried	1		Biltsdale, Yorks
Ada GARBUTT	Wife's daughter	UnMarried	7		Biltsdale, Yorks
Ralph NICHOLSON	Servant	UnMarried	17	Farm Servant	Ayton, Yorks

Brittain Ward was still farming Low **Crosslets** which was just referred to as "Crossletts" on the 1891 census. His mother, Ann had died and he was married with three children. They also had a general servant.

1891 Census for Low Crosslet, Biltsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG12/4023/10

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
Brittain WARD	Head	Married	57	Farmer	Biltsdale, Yorks
Hannah E. WARD	Wife	Married	38	Farmer's Wife	Biltsdale, Yorks
Stephen WARD	Son	UnMarried	7	Scholar	Biltsdale, Yorks
Hannah WARD	Daughter	UnMarried	5	Scholar	Biltsdale, Yorks
Ann WARD	Daughter	UnMarried	9m	Scholar	Biltsdale, Yorks
Eliza H. WOOD	Servant	UnMarried	15	General Servant	Biltsdale, Yorks

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1901 CENSUS

A further population census was taken in 1901.

In 1901 the tenant of **Staindale** was **James Bowes**, a 44-year-old farmer who had been born at Snilesworth. His youngest daughter had been born at Snilesworth in 1897 so the family must have moved to Staindale some time after that. Martha Bowes, James' wife had been born at Bilsdale.

1901 Census for Staindale, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG13/4592/12

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
James BOWES	Head	Married	44	Farmer	Snilesworth, Yorks
Martha BOWES	Wife	Married	40		Bilsdale, Yorks
William BOWES	Son	UnMarried	19	Farmer's son	Snilesworth, Yorks
James BOWES	Son	UnMarried	15	Farmer's son	Snilesworth, Yorks
Alfred BOWES	Son	UnMarried	10		Snilesworth, Yorks
Emily BOWES	Daughter	UnMarried	4		Snilesworth, Yorks

Low Crosslets was now tenanted by 53-year-old **George Knaggs** from Kirbymoorside.

1901 Census for Low Crosslets, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG13/4592/12

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
George KNAGGS	Head	Married	53	Farmer	Kirbymoorside, Yorks
Ann KNAGGS	Wife	Married	43		Stonegravel, Yorks
Jane KNAGGS	Daughter	UnMarried	17		Bedale, Yorks
Thomas KNAGGS	Son	UnMarried	15	Farmer's on	Bedale, Yorks

Brittain Ward was now 67 and had moved from Low Crosslets and was farming at **West Court**, not far from Low Crosslets, with his wife and three youngest children. The farm appeared to be split between Brittain Ward and another farmer called **Joseph Belt**.

1901 Census for West Court, Bilsdale Midcable, North Yorkshire
Ref: RG13/4592/13/55

Name	Relation to Head of Family	Marital Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth
Brittain WARD	Head	Married	67	Farmer	Bilsdale, Yorks
Hannah E. WARD	Wife	Married	38		Bilsdale, Yorks
Ann WARD	Daughter	UnMarried	10		Bilsdale, Yorks
Brittain WARD	Son	UnMarried	6		Bilsdale, Yorks
Harold WARD	Son	UnMarried	5		Bilsdale, Yorks

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1944 SALE OF BILSDALE ESTATE

On Wednesday 14th June 1944 the whole 12,327 acres of the Bilsdale Estate was offered for auction at the Black Swan Hotel, Helmsley. The auctioneers were Messrs Jackson, Stops & Staff of Leeds.

The auction was split into 5 lots. Lot 1 comprised "Several farms on the famous sporting moors of Cringle and West Bank situated on the north west border of the Bilsdale estate, beyond Chop Gate village, to the west of Raisdale Road". The farms were Ewe Hill, High Crosslets, West Cote, Broomflat and Clough, High Broomflat & Thwaites, Low Crosslets, Raisdale Mill and Staindale.

It is possible that West Cote could be the "West Court" where Brittain Ward was farming in 1901 with Joseph Belt.

The sale particulars included the following descriptions of West Cote, Low Crosslets and Staindale referring to a colour coded map (shown below). The appendix also gave details of the ordnance numbers and field area (shown on next page).

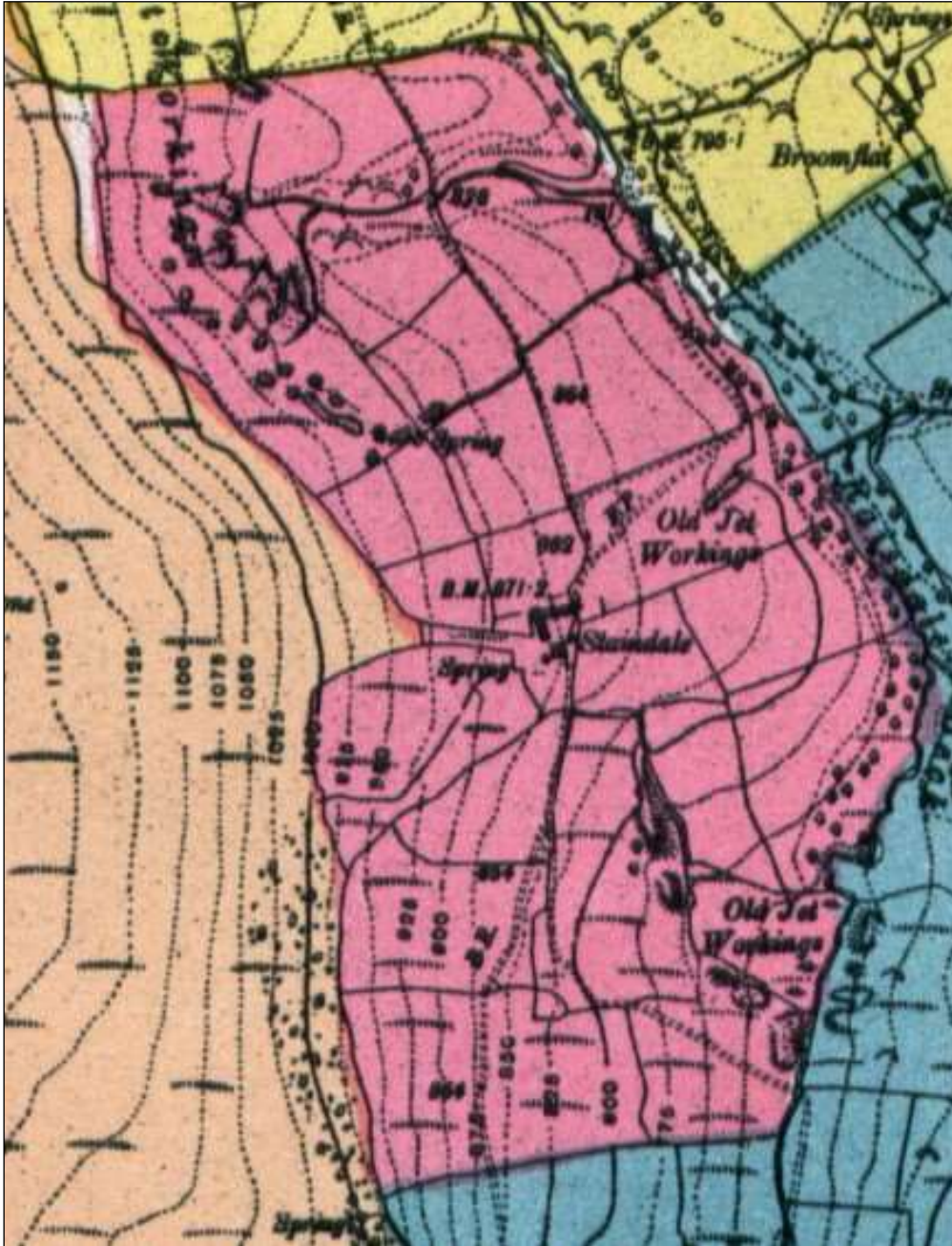
Description	Colour on Map	Tenant	Tenancy	Buildings	Area	Rent	Mole Rate
West Cote	Brown	Frank Cooke	Yearly from 25 th March with a stray on West bank moor for 100 sheep	Detached stone house with 5 bedrooms, 2 box rooms, 2 reception rooms, Kitchen, Scullery and Dairy. Range includes piggeries, Implement Shed, Boiler House, Cart Shed, Granary, Barn with Loft, Loose Box, Byre for 9, Stirk House, Calf Box, Meal House, second byre for 10, 5-stall stable with Hay loft.	164.530	£85 0s 0d	£0 9s 8d
Low Crosslets	Yellow	T A Webster	Yearly from 25 th March with a stray on Raisdale West Side Moor for 80 sheep.	Stone house with 4 bedrooms, 2 reception, kitchen and scullery, and the standing included cow byre for 8, 4-stall stable, Granary, Barn, Beast House for 8, Cart Shed, Turnip House, 2 Loose Boxes, Bull House, 2 piggeries and wash house	97.395	£68 0s 0d	£0 6s 4d
Staindale	Pink	N.R.A.C.	Requisitioned. With a stray on the moor for 60 sheep.	Stone detached house with 4 bedrooms, Sitting Room, Kitchen, Parlour, Steading including Barn, Cart Shed, 3-stall Stable, Loose Box, Turnip House, Byre for 8, Calf House, Pigsty, Loose Box, Wash House	92.007	£36 0s 0d (to be confirmed and adjusted with N.R.A.C.)	£0 5s 6d

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STAINDALE

Ordnance No	Description	Area
1,346	Grass	11.147
1,347	Grass	2.562
1,345a	Grass	.771
1,377	Arable	2.097
1,377a	Arable	.979
1,378	Grass	1.547
1,379	Arable	2.358
1,380	Grass	4.639
1,381	Grass	4.457
1,383	Grass	2.229
1,386	Arable	3.133
1,385	Arable	2.986
1,388	Grass	2.441
1,450 Pt	Grass	1.311
1,387 Pt	Grass	1.093
1,345	Grass	1.060
1,344	Arable	1.682
1,343	Arable	2.185
1.341	Arable	2.336
1,342	Grass	1.926
1,339	Grass	1.148
1,340	Grass	1.349
1,382	House & Buildings	1.230
1,338	Grass	4.934
1,337	Grass	2.507
1,336	Grass	4.288
1,327	Grass	6.086
1,384	Grass	2.423
1,325	Grass	2.361
1,326	Grass	4.089
1,328	Grass	7.700
1,376	Woodland	.953
TOTAL		<u>92.007</u>

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Staindale in 1944

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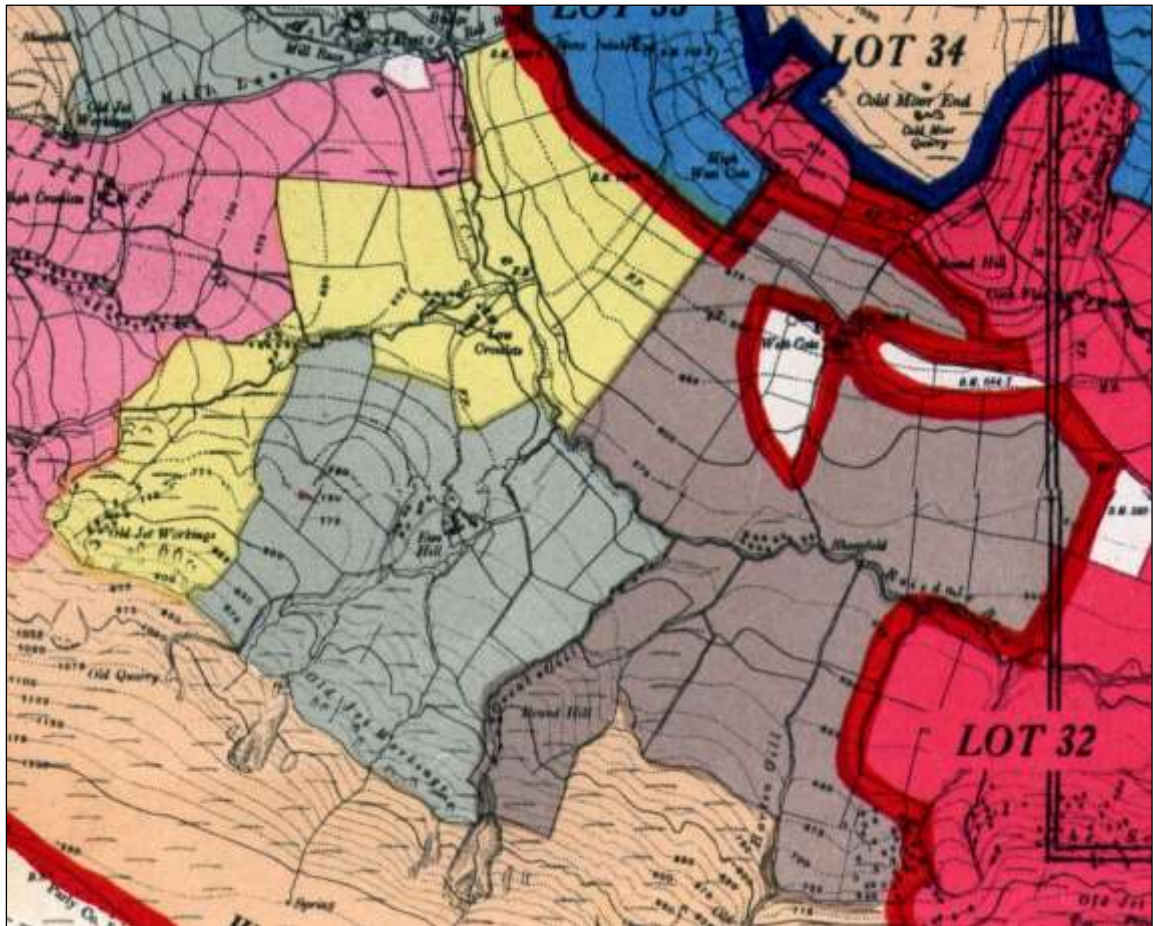
LOW CROSSLETS

Ordnance No	Description	Area
1,2291	Arable	3.370
1,229a	Arable	2.449
1,226	Grass	1.324
1,230	Grass	4.500
1,186	Arable	10.420
1,185	Arable	4.734
1,187	Arable	5.486
1,188	Grass	2.940
1,189	Grass	6.082
1,225	Grass	2.691
1,190 }	House & Buildings }	.375
1,191 }	House & Buildings }	1.490
1,223	Grass	2.254
1,222	Arable	5.676
1,217	Arable	5.652
1,193	Arable	6.030
1,194	Grass	2.780
71	Grass	22.388
1,192	Woodland	.348
1,197	Arable	6.406
TOTAL		<u>97.395</u>

WEST COTE

Ordnance No	Description	Area
1,206	Grass	3.279
1,207	Grass	7.194
1,209	House & Buildings	1.115
1,210	Grass	6.512
1,215	Grass	6.861
1,218	Arable	3.244
1,218a	Arable	2.948
1,221	Grass	3.674
1,216	Arable	6.234
1,202	Grass	3.910
1,201	Grass	.912
1,200	Arable	7.571
1,199	Grass	.867
1,200a	Arable	.812
69	Arable	2.371
68	Grass	26.071
1,200b	Arable	.880
1,203	Arable	5.056
1,208	Grass	3.497
1,204	Woodland	3.150
1,227	Grass	1.898
TOTAL		<u>164.530</u>

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Low Crosslets (yellow) and West Cote (brown) in 1944

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BILSDALE ESTATE— £128,000

THE famous agricultural and sporting Bilsdale Estate, of over 12,000 acres, was sold yesterday at Helmsley for a total of £128,000. After the estate had been offered as one lot and withdrawn at £85,000, it was auctioned as 53 separate lots, and every one was sold.

The auctioneers described the transaction as highly satisfactory, and the sale was pleasant, too, for many of the present tenants were able to purchase their farms and homesteads.

Every time an estate tenant became a land or property owner the large crowd which packed the Swan Hotel ballroom clapped spontaneously.

Among the happiest men in Bilsdale last night were the tenants of the Sun Inn, Lower Bilsdale, and the Bruck Inn, Chop Gate. They had become owners of the respective roadside inns, steeped in history and tradition.

Fifty years old Mr. Wm. E. Ainsley, whose family had been connected with the Sun Inn for 500 years, wiped the perspiration from his brow while he bid to retain possession of the old place with such a long family tradition. Bidding opened at £1,250 and after some competition Mr. Ainsley became owner at £2,500.

Equally Successful

Mr. Garbutt Johnson was equally successful with his final bid of £3,000 for the Buck Inn, to retain tenancy of a call-house that has had a licence for about 400 years.

There was keen competition for a number of lots, but in some cases farms were sold cheaply.

There was an exception in the case of Laskill Farm, of 95 acres, and let for £262 a year. There was some quick-fire bidding between two prospective clients, and it was knocked down to Mr. T. S. Petch, of Loftus, for £6,500.

Other prices obtained for some of the chief lots included: West Bank and Cringle Moor and farms, 2,072 acres, £8,100; Cold Moor and Hart Bank and farms, 2,509 acres, £13,100; Rag End Valley farms, 815 acres, £6,550; Woodland and two farms, 962 acres, £2,100.

The famous Bumper Moor, fishing and farms, 3,808 acres, had been sold privately, and Lord Mexborough bought another part joining up with his own estate.

The auctioneers were Jackson, Nispe and Shaw, Leeds, in connection with the firm of Nicholson, of Reading.

EVENING GAZETTE, Thursday, June 15, 1944

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They Could Not
Get In!



SOME OF THE PEOPLE who could not gain admission to the auction room when the Bilsdale estate was offered for sale at Helmsley. They crowded round the windows outside and participated from there.

Newspaper Cuttings relating to the 1944 sale of the Bilsdale Estate

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BILSDALE ST. HILDA MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

C26 (SE section to right of long path)

*In affectionate remembrance of **Stephen Ward** of Raisdale who died March 11th 1880 aged 80 years. Also Ann his wife who died September 19th 1886 aged 77 years. Yes they are gone – and we are all going. Like flowers we wither and like leaves we fall.*



Notes:

Stephen Ward born c. 1800 Bilsdale. Married Ann Brittain in 1831. Son called Brittain Ward.
Ann Ward nee Brittain, daughter of Stephen Brittain and Ann Hugill born 20 Jan 1811 at Staindale. Moved to Low Crosslet which husband took over when her father Stephen Brittain died).

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C59 (SE section to right of long path)

*Erected in memory of Mark the son of **Mark Leng** who departed this life
March ye 21st 1776 aged 22 years.*



Notes:

Mark Leng (1754-1776). Could be the son of Mark Leng and Dorothy Brittain who married in 1745. No suitable baptism on IGI.

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C60 (SE section to right of long path)

*Erected in memory of **Stephen** and **Ann Brittain**. Stephen died Oct 2nd 1861 aged 88 years. Ann his wife died Jan 1st 1842 aged 65 years. Also Stephen their son who died December 20th 1859 aged 57 years. Yes they are gone – and we are all going. Like flowers we wither and like leaves we fall.*



Notes:

Stephen Brittain (1773-1861) of Staindale and Low Crosslets, Biltsdale
Ann Brittain nee Hugill (1777-1842). Daughter of Joseph Hughill, farmer
Stephen Brittain junior (1802-1859) of Low Crosslets, Biltsdale
Same verse as Stephen and Ann (Brittain) Ward).

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BILSDALE PARISH REGISTERS

Date	B/M/D	Name	Surname	Parents/Notes	Notes
10-May-1713	Marriage	Jas Brittain & Dorothy Raine		Yeoman & spinster	
7-May-1714	Baptism	Mary	Brittain	daughter of Jas, Yeoman	
26-Sep-1715	Baptism	Jane	Brittain	daughter of Jas, Yeoman	
10-Mar-1719	Baptism	Dorothy	Brittain	daughter of Jas.	
1-May-1721	Baptism	Easter	Breton	daughter Jas (date uncertain)	
1-Jan-1723	Baptism	Jas	Brittan	son Jas	
31-May-1744	Burial	Dorothy	Brittain	w Jas [*]	
14-Nov-1745	Marriage	Dorothy Brittain & Mark Leng		Banns	
21-Jun-1756	Baptism	Dorothy	Brittain	daughter of Stephen	
13-Jul-1760	Baptism	Jane	Brittain	daughter of Stephen	
10-Nov-1760	Burial	Eliz.	Brittain	daughter of Stephen	
5-Mar-1763	Baptism	Jane	Britton	daughter of Jas	
25-Nov-1765	Marriage	Esther Brittain & Wm Bentley		WB of Helmsley Wit: Wm Bentley & Mark Leng	
6-Jun-1770	Baptism	Dorothy	Brittain	daughter of Stephen	
21-Jul-1772	Marriage	James Brittain & Eliz Belt		botp L	
12-Nov-1773	Baptism	Stephen	Brittain	son of Stephen (died 1861 - MI)	
21-Jan-1775	Baptism	Dorothy	Brittain	daughter of James, farmer	
23-Apr-1777	Baptism	Wm	Britian	son of Jas of Staindale	
22-Feb-1781	Baptism	Joseph	Britian	son of Jas of Staindale	
4-May-1783	Baptism	John	Tyreman	John of Staindale	
25-Jul-1784	Marriage	Jane Brittain & Geo Garbut		botp B wit: John Medd & Henry Garbut	
13-May-1787	Burial	Jas	Britian	son of Jas of Staindale	
3-Oct 1790	Burial	Stephen	Brittain	farmer	
20-Oct 1790	Baptism	Hannah	Brittain	daughter of Stephen, farmer of Staindale	
14-Nov-1794	Burial	Hester	Britian	daughter of Jas, farmer of Raisdale	
16-Dec-1794	Marriage	Dorothy Brittain & John Leng		botp B wit: Robt Easby, Wm Leng & Ann Boyes	
29-Dec-1796	Marriage	Sarah Brittain & John Wickill		[q.v.] wit: John Wood & Wm Lazenby	
5-Sep-1797	Marriage	Wm Brittain & Mary Leng		botp B wit: John Leng & Wm Barker	
13-Jun-1798	Baptism	Jas	Brittain	son of Wm of Staindale	
2-Feb-1799	Marriage	Stephen Brittain & Ann Huggill		botp L wit: John Weighell & Francis Bell	
23-May-1799	Baptism	Willey	Brittain	son of Wm of Staindale	

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Date	B/M/D	Name	Surname	Parents/Notes	Notes
3-Nov-1800	Baptism	Thos	Brittain	son of Wm Brittain of Staindale	
25-Dec-1802	Baptism	Stephen	Brittain	son of Stephen Brittain of Staindale (died 1859 - MI)	
31-Jul-1804	Marriage	Joseph Brittain & Susanna Fisher		bopt L wit: Wm Brittain & Wm Barker	
24-Aug-1804	Baptism	Mary	Brittain	son of Wm Brittain of Staindale	
9-May-1808	Burial	Jas	Brittain	farmer of Stokesley (old age) 85 years	
4-Nov-1808	Baptism	Sarah	Brittain	daughter of Wm & Mary (d of Wm Leng), farmer of Staindale, born 3 Nov	
19-May-1811	Baptism	Ann	Britain	daughter of Stephen & Ann (d of Joseph Hugill), farmer of Staindale, born 20 Jan	
13-Aug-1819	Burial	Eliz	Brittain	widow of Broom Flat aged 76 years	
9-Dec-1819	Burial	Ann	Brittain	widow of Carlton, aged 91 years	
1-Dec 1831	Marriage	Ann Brittain & Stephen Ward		botp L wit: Mary Ann Hoggard & Geo Ward	Ann Hoggart married Stephen Brittan in 1834 at Kirby-in-Cleveland
6-May-1824	Marriage	Hannah Brittain & Stephen Hoggard		botp L wit: SH farmer; Wm Leng & Thos Trowdale	Trowdales were known Quakers
12-Nov-1834	Baptism	Priscilla	Brittain	Stephen & Ann, farmer of Raisdale	Bilsdale Midcable
7-Feb-1837	Marriage	Sarah Britton & Wm Ward	Britton	botp L; SB spr; WW farmers son; Wit: Wm Dawson & Mark Coverdale	