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In this issue I feel a "rounding off" of my personal History is called for plus a few anecdotes and observations leading off from the same. I will conclude the issue with a description of my researches in the same format and terminology that Bryan I'Anson used in the History, it could almost be an additional chapter.

I am grateful that my searches have proved the worth of Family traditions and that the stories I listened to with sympathy when Grandmother was very old, have proved true or likely and are not the ramblings of an old lady.

When Jinny I'Anson (Grandmother) was about six or seven, the whole family went to dinner at rich relatives. There were no details as Grandmother was very young and the Family unit broke up on the death of her parents when she was only twelve years old.

However, it was a "posh" affair which remained fixed in Grandmother's young mind because of the following incident.

They were waited on at the table by a butler. Grandmother had a childish habit of eating her vegetables first, saving her meat as a treat at the end. Unfortunately, as she finished her vegetables the butler whisked her plate away, possibly a far greater snob than his employer!

The sense of injustice engendered fortunately kept the memory of the visit to Howe Hall alive from the 1880s to the 1950s when she told the story to her Grandson as she knitted by the fire.

The story confirmed that the two I'Anson families in Thirsk knew they were related, though a wide social gap had been created due to the varying fortunes of the families.

Both heads of the two families were John I'Anson, named from common ancestors.

One was, at the time, a Major in the 1st Volunteer Battn. The Princess of Wales Own Yorkshire Regt. (now Green Howards), the County Councillor for Topcliffe, a Commissioner for Income Tax, a J. P., owner of Howe Hall and many acres of land in the Parish of Pickhill but the primary source of income was the ownership of Licenced property around the North Riding.

The other John, of course, was my Great-Grandfather, a talented monumental mason and carver but completely without private means or social position.

Both families had a daughter in 1879. John of Howe Hall had Mary Isobel born on the 7th March and John, the stonemason, had my Grandmother Jane Isobel on the 13th March 1879. I can't believe the use of the name Isobel is coincidental, doubtless Great Grandfather saw the announcement of the birth of his cousin's child and copied the name.

A strange fact leading off from this is that Grandmother's certificate was filed under Janson rather than I'Anson. The Registrar's attempt to keep the two families separate? I am afraid suspicions of Victorian snobbery are felt when one checks "Bulmers History & Directory of the North Riding" reference Thirsk 1890. Major John is given all his offices etc. and is accorded his name in correct format - I'Anson - but my two great uncles who were mounted Postmen for the G. P. O. were carefully separated by being called Ianson - such is the way of the world, or as it was in 1890!

It's funny how little things tie up in Family History. My first article in "I'Anson Times" was on the subject of the song 'Lass of Richmond Hill' - Francis I'Anson. Colonel John I'Anson of Howe was an Officer in the Volunteers, as I mentioned previously, and the 1st Battn. Volunteer Regiment Princess of Wales Own Yorkshire Regiment was stationed at Richmond. The song is now the Green Howards Regimental March! "Sweet Lass of Richmond Hill" - who suggested it? Col. I'Anson?

PEDIGREE OF THOMAS HENRY WOLSTENCROFT THROUGH HIS FATHER'S MATERNAL LINE

Pedigree of descendants of the I'Ansons of Wath/Thirsk/Ripon.

William I'Anson of Middleton Quernhow in the parish of Wath, near Ripon, Co. York. Married at West Tanfield, Co. York 2nd November 1698, Anne Geldert of West Tanfield. William I'Anson died, and was buried at Wath 4th February 1741-2 and his widow 25th April 1747.

They had issue three sons and two daughters.

1. Sons. John I'Anson baptised 15th March 1700-1
John is the ancestor of the I'Ansons of Melmerby and Howe Hall. The last to live there was Lt. Col. John I'Anson of Howe Hall who died in 1928.
2. William I'Anson baptised 10th May 1704, buried 14th April 1742.
3. Francis I'Anson baptised 31st January 1712-13 of whom more presently.

Daughters

Anne, baptised 12th July 1707 buried 25th December 1752. Married at Wath 26th December 1744 to John Dale Esq.

Margaret baptised 4th April 1710

Francis I'Anson of Middleton Quernhow baptised 31st January 1712-13. He was married at Thirsk 2nd February 1735 to Anne Adamson of Thirsk and by her had issue six sons and four daughters.

Sons

1. John I'Anson baptised at Thirsk 1st December 1736, married at Ripon in 1761
2. Francis baptised at Thirsk 13th May 1740
3. William baptised 6th January 1742
4. Crispin baptised 24th November 1749 (of whom more presently)
5. Thomas baptised 9th February 1752
6. Robert baptised 3rd January 1753.

Daughters

1. Anne baptised at Thirsk 7th April 1738
2. Mary baptised at Thirsk 28th August 1745
3. Margaret baptised at Thirsk 3rd August 1747
4. Hannah baptised at Thirsk 5th May 1756

Crispin I'Anson baptised at Thirsk 24th November 1749. Married twice. (1) Crispin I'Anson married Sarah Dixon of Ripon by Special Licence June 8 1771 and by her had issue 2 daughters.

1. Mary baptised at Ripon April 18 1772 buried at Ripon 1789
2. Anne baptised at Ripon December 31 1773

(2) Crispin I'Anson married by Banns at Ripon Cathedral Elizabeth Stephenson of Ripon November 26 1793 and by her had issue two sons and four daughters.

Sons

1. John I'Anson baptised at Ripon October 18 1798 (of whom more presently)
2. Francis I'Anson baptised Ripon February 1807, married Ann Gill of Ripon in 1828 and by her had issue one son William (SP) and one daughter Elizabeth (?)

Daughters

1. Mary baptised at Ripon September 4th 1794
2. Elizabeth baptised at Ripon March 18th 1796
3. Jane baptised at Ripon December 3rd 1800
4. Margaret baptised at Ripon February 27th 1803

John I'Anson baptised Ripon October 18th 1798 died at Stammergate, Ripon in 1857.
Married by banns at Ripon Cathedral to Eliza Braithwaite of Ripon February 13th 1827
by whom had issue nine sons.

1. Chrispin baptised June 11 1827, born May 28th 1827 about half past one in the morning.
2. John baptised March 28 1828. Presumably an infant death as he is not recorded in the Family Bible.
3. Thomas baptised January 4th 1829 was born December 29th 1828 about half past three in the afternoon.
4. William baptised November 23rd 1830 was born November 12th 1830 a quarter to eight at night.
5. James baptised November 10th 1832 was born half past eleven at night.
6. Henry baptised October 21st 1834 was born September 28th 1834 about seven at night. Died February 23rd 1836.
7. John. No baptism found at Ripon but present in the Family in the 1851 Census and recorded in the Family Bible, was born March 24th 1836, 20 minutes past seven in the morning. John, of whom more presently, is ancestor of most of the I'Ansons of Thirsk/Ripon living in the twentieth century.
8. Charles Septimus baptised December 17th 1838 was born November 19th 1837 ten past five in the afternoon. Died May 29th 1838.
9. Isaac baptised presumably at Ripon was born May 4th 1840 about half past four in the morning

At this time (1977) apart from John, only Thomas and Isaac are known to have married and had issue.

John I'Anson born March 24th 1836 died at Sowerby, Thirsk, 5th May 1891, married Grace Langlands formerly of Morpeth, Northumberland at Sowerby Parish Church 1860 and by her had issue three sons and seven daughters.

Sons

1. James Langlands born Leeds, Dover St. in 1862, married Thirsk to Elizabeth Keithley and had issue ten children.
2. William, born Leeds, Dover St. in 1867. Wife's name unknown, had issue 2 sons, one killed 1st World War.
3. John Robert, born Leeds, Dover St. in 1865. Wife's name unknown, one daughter died July 1976.

Daughters

1. Eliza, Eldest child, born 1861 at Dover St. , baptised St. George's, Leeds. Married John I'Anson, son of Thomas I'Anson (see earlier generation) 10 children.
2. Mary Langlands (Polly) born 1868 at Long St. , Thirsk, married 1888 John Harrison, number of children not known. George Harrison & Queenie Harrison.
3. Francis Annie. Born at Long St. , Thirsk 1870, married Marshall of Ripon, moved to London, had issue Elsie Marshall and Edie Marshall.
4. Emily, born Thirsk 1872.
5. Grace, born Thirsk, date 1870s, married Peter Maguire, sons Peter, Kimberly, James, daughter Grace.
6. Amelia (Sally) born Thirsk, date 1870s, married Bell, lived Batley, Yorks. Exact number of children unknown. Gladys, Amy, William & Alec Bell.

Daughters

- 7. Jane Isobel (Jinny). Born Thirsk March 13th 1879. Married Thomas Henry Wolstencroft, had issue eight children.

All these children married and had issue. The largest family living at the present time is the progeny of the youngest daughter, Jane Isobel, who married Thomas Henry Wolstencroft of Scarborough in 1899 and had issue three sons and five daughters.

Sons

- 1. Thomas Henry Wolstencroft, born 1901 (of whom more presently)
- 2. Charlie I'Anson
- 3. William Frederick

Daughters

- 1. Kathleen
- 2. Margaret
- 3. Emily Eliza
- 4. Doris Langlands
- 5. Frances

All these children had issue with the exception of the youngest daughter, Francis.

Thomas Henry Wolstencroft born 1901 died March 8th 1971. Married at Leeds Registry Office May 29 1929 to Hilda Dickinson and by her had issue one son.

Thomas Henry Wolstencroft born December 10th 1930, married by banns at St. Michael's Church, Chapel Allerton, Leeds, July 27th 1957 to Anne Rosalie Holdsworth of Leeds and by her had issue three sons and one daughter.

Sons

- 1. Paul David born May 21st 1958 in Stretford, Manchester.
- 2. Jamie Thomas born August 7th 1969 at Stepping Hill, Stockport.
- 3. Ian Quilliam born November 6th 1972 at Stepping Hill, Stockport.

Daughter

Louise Anne, born March 1st 1960 at Hazel Grove, Stockport.

Sons

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- 2. William born Leeds, Dover St. in 1867. Wife's name unknown, had issue 3 sons, one killed 1st World War.
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K Now all Men by these Presents, That we *Crispin*
Janson of Ripon in the County of York Bridle
Cutter and Henry Hamilton of the same place Cordwainer

are Bound and firmly Obliged to the Right Worshipful
Robert Roper - Doctor of Laws, Vicar General and
Official Principal of the most Reverend Father in God *Robert*
by divine Providence Lord Archbishop of York, Primate of
England, and Metropolitan, lawfully Authorized in the Sum
of Two Hundred Pounds of good and lawful Money of Great-
Britain, to be paid to him the said *Robert Roper*

or to his Executors, Administrators, Successors
and Assigns, for the Payment whereof well and truly to be
made, we oblige ourselves, and each of us by ourselves; for
the Whole, and the full, our Heirs, Executors and Admini-
strators, firmly by these Presents, sealed with our Seals. Given
the *29th* Day of the Month of *June*
in the Year of our LORD GOD, One Thousand Seven
Hundred and seventy one

THE Condition of this Obligation is such; That if the above-
bounden *Crispin Janson and Sarah Dixon* -
now Licenced to be married together, be neither of Consanguinity or
Affinity the one to the other, within the Degrees prohibited for Mar-
riage: If also there be no other Lett, Impediment, or lawful Cause
whatsoever, but that they may be lawfully married together, both
by the Laws of God and this Land: Moreover, if the Persons, whose
Consent is required by Law in this Behalf; be thereunto agreeing:
And lastly if the said Marriage be done and solemnized in such
Manner, as in the Licence to them granted is limited: Then this
Obligation to be void, or else to remain in full Force and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivered }
in the Presence of }

John Rakes
Surrogate

Crispin Janson

Henry Hamilton

The Eighth Day of June
in the Year of our LORD One Thousand Seven
Hundred and Seventy one

ON which Day appeared personally Crispin Janson of
Ripon in the County of York, Bridle Cutter
and, being Sworn on the Holy Evangelists, alledged and made
Oath as follows, That he is of the Age of ~~Twenty~~ ^{Twenty one}
Years and upwards and a Bachelor and intends to marry
Sarah Dixon of the same place ~~widow~~
aged Twenty Five - Years, and upwards, and a Widow

not knowing or believing any lawful Let or Impediment by
Reason of Consanguinity, Affinity, or any other Cause whatsoever,
to hinder the said intended Marriage: And he prayed a Licence
to Solemnize the said Marriage in the ~~old~~ Church of
Ripon - asore said; In which said parish of Ripon
the said Crispin Janson further made Oath, That
the said Sarah Dixon - both had been
usual Abode for the Space of Four Weeks last past.

On the same Day the said
Crispin Janson
was Sworn before Me

John Rakis
Surrogate }

Crispin Janson