

Doodson Family tree c.1780 to present day

The "Egerton" branch of Doodsons

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Original tree constructed May 2011, minor updates August 2011 (links to 1911 census)
 Information from England and Wales census returns plus Births, Marriages and Deaths records. All this information is readily available on the internet!
 May 2012 - minor additions (dates/places of marriages, maiden names of some spouses).



Entries in **bold** type - given (Christian) names
 Entries in *italic* type - spouse surnames

Why the "Egerton" tree?

I came across a very brief record of the divorce proceedings of Eric Doodson and Beatrice (see bottom left of this tree) in the National Archives. On a whim I decided to see if I could track Eric back through the records and found his father, Thomas Egerton Doodson (b1874). The name Egerton rang a bell and I remembered finding Egerton Doodson (i.e. with Egerton as a first name) - he's the one born in 1820. Egerton is a very unusual first name so it seemed pretty likely there was a link between Thomas Egerton Doodson and Egerton Doodson. Anyway, to cut a long story short, I traced backwards all the way to John and Sarah, and then down each branch pretty much up to the present day! I found another Egerton in this tree - b.1879 - another grandson of the original Egerton.

Why "Egerton" anyway?

The most likely source of the first name Egerton is the Egerton family who were responsible for the Bridgewater canal (as well as other canals in the North West of England). The Duke of Bridgewater's surname was Egerton. The Bridgewater canal Leigh to Worsley branch passes just South of Kersley.

There was another Egerton family of note in the same geographic area - the 1st Earl of Wilton was called Thomas Egerton, and he owned Heaton Park, just East of Kearsley, where he built Heaton Hall in 1772. Thomas was MP for Lancashire from 1772 to 1784. He was a subscriber to the Manchester, Bolton and Bury Canal.

1861 census: Ellis and Mary, Mount Cottages, Kearsley. Mary's age incorrectly transcribed as 39 - shown as 30 on census
1871: Ellis and Mary, Spout Lane, Kearsley. Both John and Edward described as "imbecile".
1881: Ellis and Mary, 37 Lindley Street, Kearsley. John shown as cotton bleacher, Ada shown as "imbecile since birth"
1891: Ellis and Mary 14 Baker Street, Kearsley. Edward shown as "imbecile". Ada shown as granddaughter

1881: Thomas, Sarah and family at 65 Two Trees Lane, Haughton
1891: 231 Stockport Road, Haughton
1901: 293 Stockport Road, Denton
1911: 292 Stockport Road, Denton, still with Bertha, Ethel and Gladys. Census shows Thomas and Mary had 7 children, 3 of whom had died by 1911

1901 census: Martha, John, Ada together at 30 Lindley Street, Kearsley. Ada shown as Martha's daughter
1911: Martha, John, Ada together at same address still.

1814: parish records Ann baptised St Saviour Ringley
1817: parish records Ellen baptised St Saviour Ringley
1820: parish records - Egerton baptised St Saviour, Ringley
1823: parish records - Ellis baptised St Saviour, Ringley
1825: parish records Elizabeth Ann baptised St Saviour Ringley
1841: John and Sarah, Warmhole Kersley, Dean
1851: John and Sarah, Black Bottom, Kersley

1851: Egerton and Mary, Hought of the Moor, Kersley
1861 census: Egerton and Mary, Kearsley
1871 census: Egerton, Mary, Elizabeth, Thomas and Martha Marland (Mary's niece) at Black Bottom, Kearsley
1881: Egerton and Mary (both domestic servants) and family at Black Bottom, Kersley

1871: John lodging at Stockport Road, Denton
1881: John and Elizabeth, 53 Two Trees Lane, Haughton (children shown as born in Haughton - recorded as Denton in later censuses)
1891: John and Elizabeth, 196 Stockport Road, Denton
1901: John, Elizabeth and Mary at 292 Stockport Road
1911: John, Elizabeth and Mary at "Kenworthys Hydropathic Establishment the Living Southport"

1901: Thomas and Floralena at 555 Manchester Road, Denton
1911: Thomas and family at 379 Manchester Road, Denton.
 Thomas - Crane Draughtsman

1901: John and Rosina 292 Halifax Road, Rochdale
1911: 336 Edenfield Road, Rochdale

1911: Egerton and Maud and children at 219 Stockport Road, Denton

Ethel married Harold Tweedale in 1913 in Ashton; Gladys married Francis Morris in 1918 in Ashton

Bertha married John Sewell in 1913 in Ashton

