

The Dugdale Family

It would appear that the Dugdale's of Wareham were both wealthy and influential, and indeed Betty's brother William Dugdale was the Lord Mayor of Wareham on two occasions 1838 and the year of his demise 1843.

Betty Dean Meaden was baptised at the Lady St Mary Church Wareham on 11th March 1766, daughter of Daniel Dugdale Jnr and Mary Dugdale (nee Dean).

This Daniel Dugdale was born in 1720 in Wareham and was a Baker, who died there on the 17th March 1782, the son of William Dugdale Snr and Mary Burleigh

The father of William Snr was also a Daniel Dugdale who was married to Elizabeth, and in his Will dated 1703 he was recorded as a Gentleman. He was certainly a wealthy man bequeathing land and houses in Wareham, and houses, woods, meadows and coppices in and around the Village of Parley which bounds the present day Bournemouth Airport. He was born in the village of Pimperne Dorset in 1631 and died in Wareham 1703.

Daniel Dugdale Jnr was twice married, his first wife being Ann (Butler?), and they had two children, both boys, Thomas Dugdale, who was baptised at Holy Trinity in Wareham on 2nd December 1746 and John Butler Dugdale, who was baptised on the 21st of October 1748. Unfortunately Ann died, after only five or six years of marriage and was buried in Wareham on the 14th July 1751.

Daniel, wasted little time, and married Mary Dean on the 29th September 1751. They had eleven Children, all born in Wareham, and were, in order of birth:

Mary born 29th Dec 1752, died 20th Oct 1799.

Ann born 1st Apr 1755.

William born 29th Aug 1756, died 1843.

Robert born 23rd Nov 1758, died 28th Jan 1762.

Susan born 28th Apr 1761

Jane born 15th Mar 1763

Betty Dean born 11th Dec 1764, died 30th Dec 1764.

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Deborah born 31st May 1768, died 1854
Robert born 8th Dec 1769, died 28th Dec 1769.
Robert born 1771, died 13th May 1851

An interesting point of note is that both John Butler Dugdale and John Meaden were mentioned at four different weddings in Winfrith, between 1773 and 1778 as being witnesses at the same weddings. On further investigation I find that John Meaden was baptised on the 5th of October 1748 at St Christopher's, Winfrith Newburgh, whilst John Butler Dugdale was baptised 16 days later at Holy Trinity church in Wareham.

It would seem that they grew up together in Winfrith, or at least from the time of John Butler Dugdale's wedding to Rachel Stickland at Winfrith on 17th April 1770. So it is of no surprise that John Meaden eventually married John Butler Dugdale's half sister Ann Dugdale. The Dugdale and Meaden family are further entwined through John Butler's family line.

John Butler Dugdale married Rachel and had ten children, all baptised at St Christopher's.

Daniel, 26th of December 1771

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Thomas, 20th of January 1773

Thomas, died and was buried 22nd of January 1773

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Ann Loop, 3rd of March 1777,
Her birth date was 25/6/ 1775.

At the age of 26, she married Mathew Batt at
St Christopher's 2/12/1793.

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William, 23rd November 1777

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Jane, 20th of February 1780

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Robert, 1781

Robert, was buried at Winfrith 21/6/1812

At the age of 31

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Mary, 12th of December 1784

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John, 14th of March 1787
John died in Portsea 1869 aged 82

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Thomas, 6th of December 1788

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George, 3rd November 1791

Rachel the wife of John Butler Dugdale died and was buried at St Christopher, 14th of April 1791.

John Butler Dugdale married for a second time at St Michael Owermoigne on 19th May 1794, to Fanny Havey of Morginds(?) down.

Daniel Dugdale, John Butler Dugdale's eldest child, became the owner and Innkeeper of the Red Lion Inn Winfrith at the age of 42, and I think it likely he took over the Inn from his father, who would have been 65.

Daniel married twice. His first wife was Ann, and they had two daughters, Ann who was baptised 19/11/1799 and Rachel 19/4/1801. Ann died, and the burial register states "Ann Palmer Dugdale-infant" 11/5/1800. This becomes confusing when we read that Daniel now marries Jane Palmer at Winfrith 5/12/1799. They have seven children, all baptised at St Christopher's.

Daniel, 25/7/1803.

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Ann, 19/9/1807

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Elizabeth, 19/2/1809
Elizabeth was buried 18/2/1810

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Elizabeth, 14/2/1811

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Robert, 3/4/1813

(This is the first time Daniel is mentioned as being an Innkeeper)

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Mary, 25/7/1815

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John, 17/2/1818

In his Will, Daniel leaves the Red Lion Inn to his son In Law John Parmiter of Winchester, and husband of his eldest living child, daughter Rachel.

Henry Meaden, brother of William and John, also leaves part of his estate to John Parmiter "My nephew a grocer in Winchester", presumably at the behest of his wife Ann, who was a Parmiter. Also a John Parmiter is a witness to Mary Dugdale's Will of 1797

Mike Dugdale has discovered a line of decent through Mary Burleigh back to King Edward I.

If some one has the time, good fortune and patience then they may be able to trace the family further back, starting in Clitheroe Lancashire.