

The Entwises at Uglow Estates 1740 to 1877

Abstracted from copies of original documents kindly loaned to me by Mr Angus Dootson of Uglow Farm.



Although the date stone shows 1725, rebuilt 1884 the owner holds deeds back to the 1600s. An Indenture (deed of sale) of Uglow in the reign of Charles 2nd hangs on his lounge wall. He says that the farm has been burnt down twice. I believe Uglow still has about 64 acres of land.



Uglow included :—

All that messuage cottage farm and tenement situate lying and being at Uglow in the Township of Edgworth in the County of Lancaster and the several closes or parcels of land thereunto belonging, known by the several names of Uglow Height the Bare-oth-Height the Higher Pasture the Lower Pasture the Leyfield Meadow the Lower Meadow and the Little Marled or howsoever otherwise the same had been called or known containing in the whole (including the garden orchard yard and site of the bldgs) 14 acres 3 roods and nineteen perches or thereabouts be the same more or less All which ad premises are part of a certain tenement called the Uglow tenement and are subject usual payment in respect of the Duchy rent and also to an annual in respect of Tithes and the said closes pieces or parcels of land now called or known by the name of The Little Marled or Lower Marl The Lower Meadow the Leyland or Middle Meadow the Newfield or New Meadow. The Higher Pasture or Higher Green. and The Height also the Plants and gardens together and containing 31 acres 1 rood and 33 perches. or thereabouts – be the same more or less.

TOGETHER With all bldgs barns stables yards gardens commons mines minerals trees fences hedges ditches ways waters watercourses liberties privileges easements and appurts whatsoever to the said premises belonging or in any wise appertaining thereto. The calf croft, limed little and marl, Great Meadow, old marls, Great Heyhead , the pasture the other messuage called William's tenement, the several closes & land thereabout belonging called by several names of the meadow, the Bank, the Rough & the Height. Also two cottages or dwelling houses called The Cotes, The Heyhead, several tenures in occupations of William Entwisle and Henry Kay.

From now on “Uglow” refers to all the above Estates.

NB. The documents were massive and in old English with F & S all confused. I have just extracted the meaning from very lengthy documents.

19th February 1740. Will of Thomas Entwisle, Yeoman of Edgworth

I leave all my estates to my elder son John, but four quarterly payments of £3 to be paid to Susan, my wife for her natural life. The Will was proved at Richmond, 8th November 1742. (wife Susan long deceased).

6th Febuary 1776. Will of last named John Entwisle of Uglow Edgworth

Left all his estates to Richard Orrell, gentleman of Quarlton and Andrew Knowles, yeoman of Entwisle upon Trust. To raise by mortgage within twelve months of his death, the sum of £520 to be used as follows :- Up to £100 to his son John Entwisle to pay off all or remains of a bond of £100; £20 to his son Henry Entwisle; £40 each to Dolly, wife of Thomas Bentley, Susanna, wife of Thomas Duckworth, Mary Entwisle, Alice wife of Thomas Entwisle of Clough Head and Betty wife of James Cooper. After payments of all his debts the remainder of the £520 and all his estates he bequeathed to his eldest son Thomas Entwisle.

12th June 1796. Will of Thomas Entwisle, Yeoman of Uglow, Edgworth.

Left all estates to William Roscow of Edgworth and Robert Wood of Tockholes upon Trust they should within twelve months of his decease raise £255 to pay Ellen his wife £50; daughters Dolly £50; Mary £35; Peggy £21; Ann £26; Alice £30; Betty £30 and Nelly £50. (Someone could not add up!!) All remaining estate bequeathed to his son John Entwisle. John to pay my wife Ellen £4 per year from the profits of Uglow. Presumably Thomas died shortly afterwards as the executors were released from their trust on 1st July 1797. Ann married John Lonsdale; Alice married Robert Wood; Betty married John Rostron. Peggy and Nelly shown as widows.

26th April 1808. Will of John Entwisle of Wayoh within Entwisle

Being legally entitled in Fee Simple to the estate known as Uglow with various tenements and closes and one half of another messuage joint with John Schofield all in Edgworth and in tenure of William Cooper, John Lonsdale, William Entwisle, Edin Bentley, James Radcliffe or their under tenants. I give and devise all to my five sons and one daughter – James, Thomas, John, Moses, Aaron, and Alice. Sons to have share and share alike. Alice to have half a share or but half as much as sons. They will not possess till youngest child is 21 but executors may use profits for maintenance, education and to bind any or all of my children apprentice to a useful trade as they shall think proper. I give my wife Jane one shilling after twelve months. Exors to

allow wife sufficiency to bring up any children at anytime with her until youngest is 21 except in case of imprudent conduct towards them. All my livestock, milk, grain, crops and goods on my Wayoh farm to be sold on my death and money put to interest for good of my children. Ralph Knowles of Clough Bottom in Entwisle, William Scholes of Naze in Edgworth and nephew John Roscow at Longworth Bank joint executors.

20th February 1820. Will of Thomas Entwisle son of John Entwisle of Windy Harbour, Turton.

Further to my father's will, when my brother Aaron arrives at the age of 21 I shall be entitled and possessed of shares and messuage in fee called Uglow in occupation of James Cooper and his under tenants. I give and devise unto my mother Jane Kay, now wife of Thomas Kay, Hill Top, Edgworth the sum of £5 per year for life and that my mother Jane Kay give and devise to my brothers and sister James Entwisle, John Entwisle, Moses Entwisle, Aaron Entwisle, and Alice Entwisle thereafter my assigns for ever as tenants in common and not as joint tenants when Aaron reaches twenty-one all messuages due to me. I appoint my brother James Entwisle of Edgworth and my uncle Robert Haworth of Entwisle my executors.

N.B. Thomas Entwisle died shortly afterwards on the 6th March 1820. Moses died 21st December 1826 with letters of administration to James Entwisle the elder brother. Aaron reached 21 years of age on the 25th October 1828 and on the 10th April 1829 the Uglow Estate was put up for public auction. Edmund Entwisle of Edgworth, the highest bidder was declared the purchaser thereof for £605 absolute purchase. James Entwisle and John Gartside in residence.

Notes (1829 to 1877)

Although only about 30 YEARS OF AGE Edmund appears to have been very wealthy, a speculator in buying and selling farms and is mentioned in Shaw's History of Darwen as being known as "Money Ned". He appears to have no difficulty in regularly obtaining high value mortgages over many years.

- 1842 From Thomas Thwaites, Brewer of Blackburn, £500 for 12 months (later extended)
- 1854 From Thomas Thwaites, further loan of £350 (Total £850 owed)
- 1858 Mortgage transferred to Wilkinson Thwaites, Daniel Thwaites and James Wilson as Trustees
- 1859 Others died, Daniel Thwaites now holds mortgage.
- 1869 Stephen Blair and Seddon Marsh Diggles were trustees of a £10,000 estate and purchased the mortgage from Daniel Thwaites as a secure investment. It had been repeatedly extended because Edmund had not defaulted on the good interest payments. However, with the original term exceeded the Uglow Estate could be sold to redeem the money at any time without consulting Edmund. Edmund repaid £50 to D. Thwaites but borrowed £50 from Mr Blair and borrowed a further £25 making a total of £875 owed.
- 1877. The remaining trustee declined to act further. By the order of the Court Chancery vendors were appointed to sell the Uglow Estate. It was bought by a Robert Heywood **for £1530.**

Edmund was a property speculator. In 1849 he had sold Lower Barn Farm. In 1855 he bought the Pike Lowe Dole estates with five tenanted farms. In 1856 he obtained another mortgage of £500 on this estate. Perhaps he cleared this with the surplus from Uglow. One tenant at Pike Lowe was James Morris the leading whisky maker of Haslingden Grane. Edmund married James's sister Betty Morris (My g.g.grandmother). He later married a widow Mary Lonsdale and their son Hargreaves Entwisle is the mystery man whose photo submitted by member Dionni Stone appeared recently in the Twistle Times. Hargreaves married Catherine Briggs of Bull Hill Farm Darwen. Around 1872 she left him and with their daughter Mary Jane joined a Mormon ship to journey under the name of Briggs to Salt Lake City. Her descendant, member Dionni Stone has traced her very interesting life there.

Hargreaves returned to Uglow. There is a marriage of an Hargreaves Entwistle, widower, at Musbury in 1875 although we know that Catherine was still alive in USA. The name appears in the 1881 census at Hugh Mill Spotland (Waterfoot) living with a wife about 23 years older than him.

Finally Edmund Entwisle was born in Tottington parish and his father was called James. A marriage in 1796 at Bolton between a James Entwisle and Ellen Hargreaves may refer. There is no mention in the deeds or probates of any relationship between Edmund and any of the former Entwistles at Uglow. His father was James but the last James at Uglow was born about the same time as Edmund.

Dionni Stone and myself would welcome any information about the further whereabouts of Hargreaves and the ancestors of Edmund our g.g.grandfather.

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