



Brass plate on John Paler's memorial



Memorials in the baptistery to John Paler Esq (furthest from camera) and Sir Arthur Robinson of Deighton. Both monuments must have been brought from the medieval church that stood in Escrick Park

John Paler Esq (c.1573-1613)

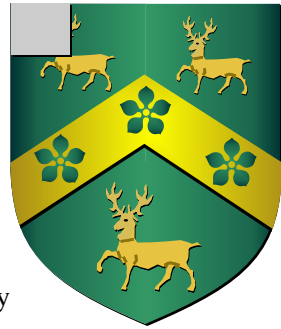
Little is known about John Paler. Apparently he was the son and heir of William Paler of York, and his wife was called Catherine. He died in 1613 at the age of forty.

Sir Arthur Robinson (1575-1636)

IN 1276 the Abbot of St Marys in York enclosed an area of Deighton and held the manor there until Henry VIII dissolved the monastery and the manor was granted to John Aske in 1542.

Just over 50 years later, John Robinson, citizen and merchant of London, acquired Deighton.

The Robinson family can be traced back (*Burke's Family Records*) to Edward Robinson who was granted the Lordship of Donnington, Isle of Ely, in 1205 by King John.



Above: Robinson Arms
Below: Garrard Arms



The Robinsons were a notable family in Escrick Parish. Their mansion in Deighton, which still stands, was moated and the grounds extensive, with garden, stables, dovecote and meadows. When the hearth tax was assessed in 1672, the buildings contained fifteen hearths. A pew in the church was reserved for exclusive use of the family.

