

**U DX285    Items relating to the Dossor and Dorsey families    1912-1995**

**Biographical Background:**

JA Dossor (1862-1931) was a shopkeeper living in Hutton Cranswick, East Yorkshire and the diary relates his life and experiences and those of his family and neighbours. 'The Dorseys down the ages, 1695-1995' includes family trees and a narrative of the ancestors of the commissioner and compiler, Alan David Dorsey.

**Custodial history:**

Donated by AD Dorsey, Hull, 26 November 2001

**Description:**

This contains a copy of diary and photograph of JA Dossor and a family history of the Dorsey family entitled 'The Dorseys down the ages, 1695-1995'.

**Extent:**

1 volume & 2 items

**Access conditions:**

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

U DX285/1	<p>Copy of diary of JA Dossor</p> <p>This appears to be a handwritten transcription of extracts from the original diary of John Arthur Dossor that was possibly made in the 1930s. A note on the inside cover states: 'Diary of JA Dossor (Grandad) 1912. Born Oct 2nd 1862. Died 21st June 1931'. The original date of death, 17th May, has been crossed through. The entries mainly cover 26 July 1912 to 4 February 1914, but there are some entries for 1916 and 1928. Dossor appears to have been a shopkeeper in the Huttton Cranswick area of East Yorkshire.</p> <p>The diary contains details of both national and local news and events, such as the loss of Captain Scott, the deaths of various neighbours and family members and his new Hudson bicycle. There is also extensive detail relating to the weather and how it has affected the roads and the crops, information about the prices Dossor is having to buy and sell his goods at and accounts of visits to various local houses, such as Sledmere, and events such as Beverley Races and village shows. A visit to SS Port Hunter at Hull is also mentioned. There is a reference to Dossor's first view of an 'airoplane' (16 July 1913) and the first time an airplane flies over Cranswick (25 August 1913).</p> <p>1 volume</p>	26 July 1912- 1928
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| U DX285/2 | Photograph of John A. Dossor<br>There is a handwritten addition on rear: 'John Ar Dossor 1862-1931'.<br>1 item   | c.1920s |
| U DX285/3 | 'The Dorseys down the ages, 1695 – 1995'<br>Typed account of the Dorsey family. It appears to be an account compiled from a variety of records, including parish registers, wills and stories. It was commissioned and compiled by Alan David Dorsey in 1995. There are family trees included for Robert Dorsey of Millington (born 1653), Robert Dorsey of Millington and Warter (born mid 1600s), Francis Leo Dorsey (born 1895), John Ainley Leedal (born 1889) and William Dorsey (born 1666).<br>1 item | 1995    |