

paid Ellis one hundred guineas in gold. He afterwards entered into partnership with Ellis, with whom he carried on the business in Digby on the corner of Birch and Water streets until about 1820, when he removed to Annapolis. A deed of sale, dated December 18th, 1820, John Thomson, cooper, of Digby, to Daniel Dakin, of easterly portion of Lot 19, Block O, Botsford Grant, Digby Township, containing thirty-six acres, Liber V., Wilmot-Morton Records, pages 696 and 697, is his last recorded business transaction in Digby.

During the War of 1812, he held the position of Prize Master at Digby. He was a Free Mason, a member of Old Digby Lodge No. 6.

At Annapolis he is said to have built two houses for himself. He resided there until about 1835, when he and his wife went to live with their son William at Eastport, Me.

In 1842 they removed to Hampstead, N. B., where they remained for a few years with their son Alexander; and then went to live with their daughter Hannah, who was the wife of Squire James Slipp. John Thomson's wife, Elizabeth Burnham, died December 12th, 1842, and was buried in the Little River cemetery. He continued to reside with his daughter and son-in-law about twelve years, and finally took up his abode with his son George, at whose house he died in 1856. He was also buried in the Little River cemetery by the side of his wife.

John Thomson has been described by his granddaughter, Mrs. Stockford, as tall, large boned, but not very fleshy; his features being large but refined, with aquiline nose and thin lips. He wore a moustache and long flowing beard, both of which, as well as the hair of his head, were very dark—almost black.