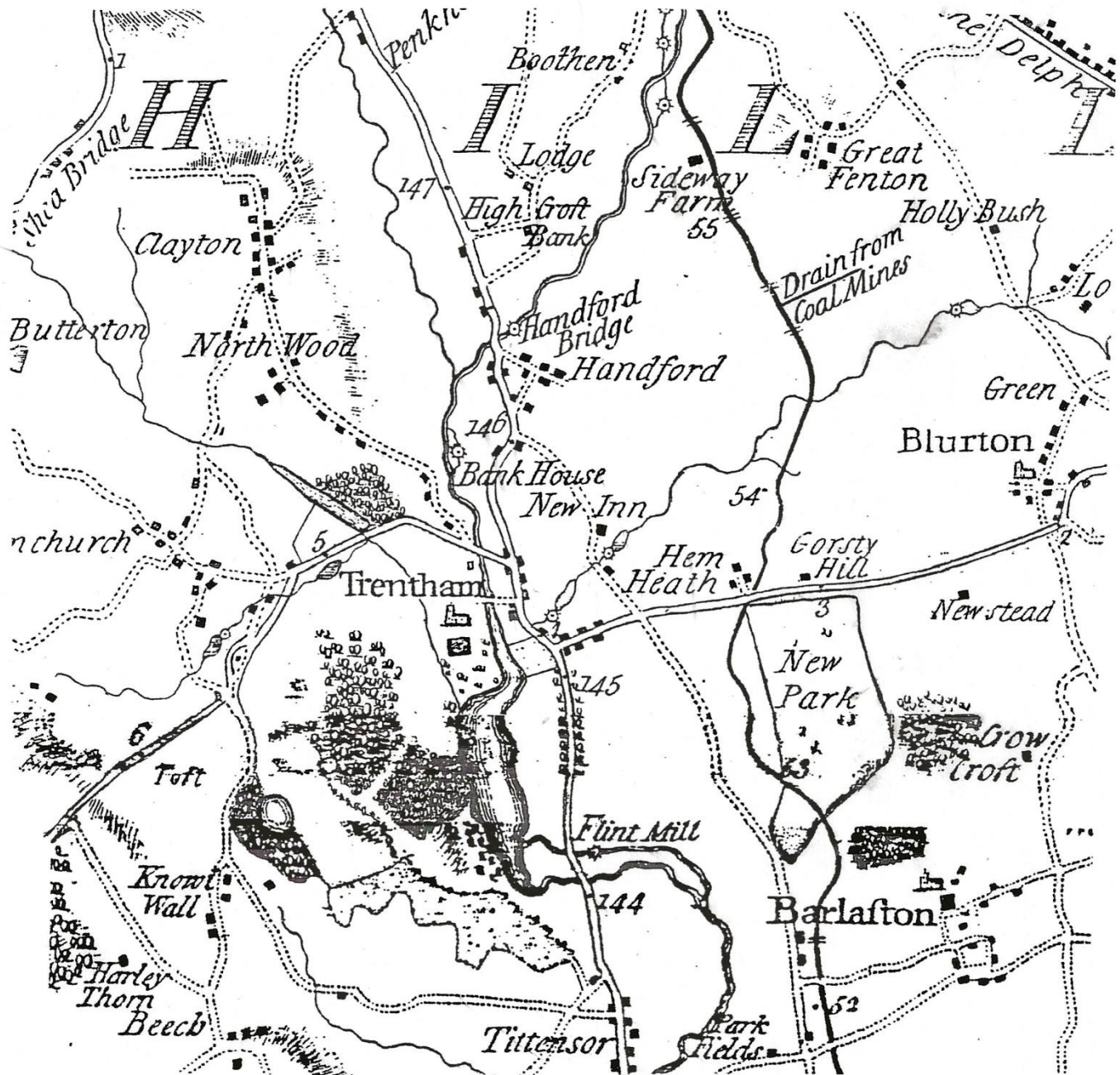




# Social History Walks

A walk around Trentham village

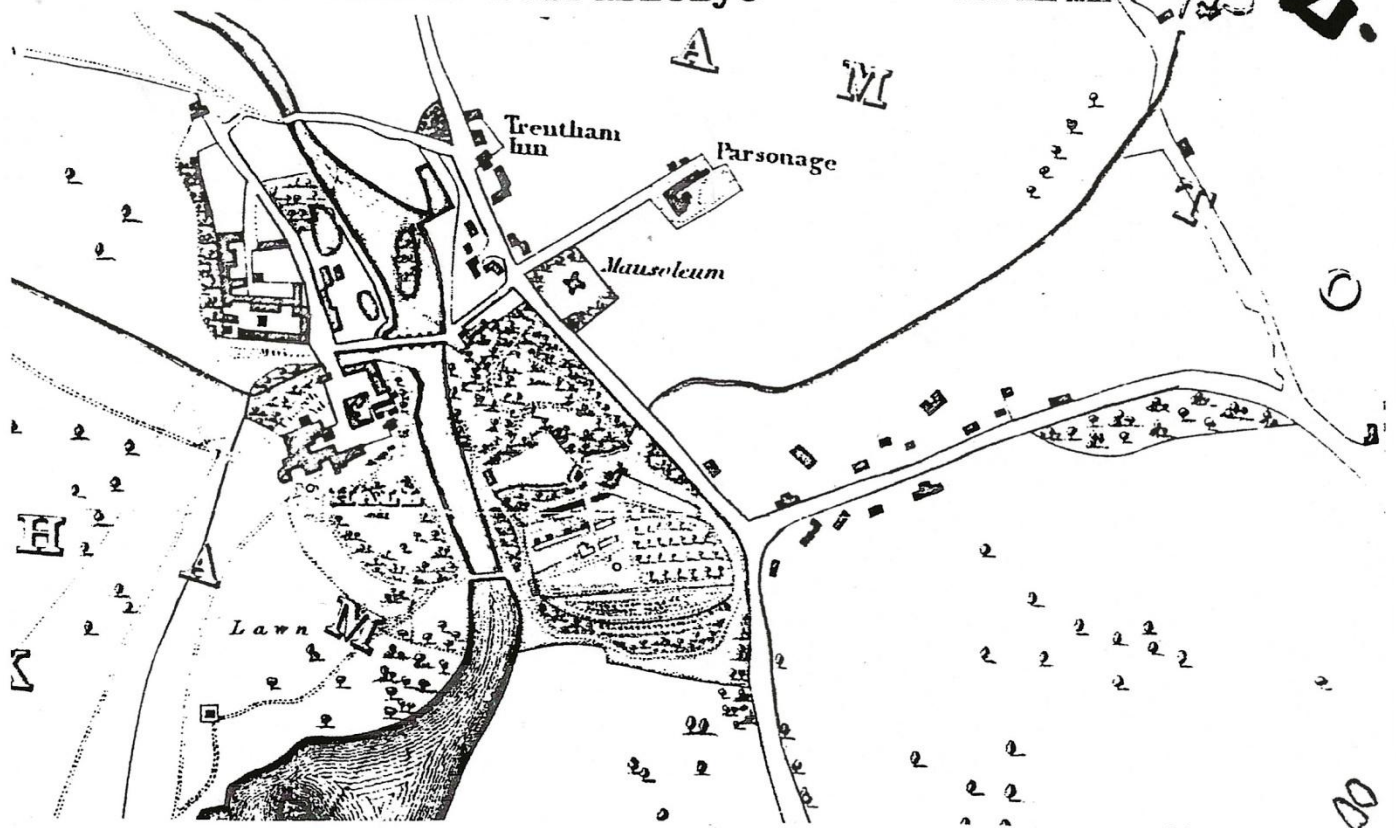
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The map above, part of William Yates's Map of Staffordshire, 1775, shows the area around Trentham Hall and village. The road running north-south in the centre of the map is the present A34 which was then the first road turnpiked in Staffordshire in 1714. Until the 17th century the road from Stone to Hanford had been via the present Barlaston Old Road and New Inn Lane. A toll gate house was built on the main road at Trentham and the name of the toll collector is recorded in the Trentham Parish registers on the 12th August 1722, when Sarah "D. of Rich. & Eliz. Emery, Collectr. of ye Turnpike" was baptised.



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- 1.) The Marquis of Stafford has just completed, at Trentham, in Staffordshire, a building of singular construction, being the only edifice of the sort in the country. It is a cemetery, after the manner of the Roman tombs, and, like them, is situated on the road side. The Ancients usually built their tombs near the highways, which, while it reminded them of their ancestors, was a useful warning to a traveller to mind his business, and not to loiter on the road. The building is of stone, of the most durable workmanship, and exhibits a style of grand and solid architecture highly expressive of the subject. It is a square of 40 feet on the base, and rises pyramidically 40 feet high. The inside contains 40 catacombs under one groined arch of stone; the whole is lined with beautifully dark and highly polished marble.

The Staffordshire Advertiser, 14 May 1808

- 2) ... a new parochial burial-ground has been formed in the village, and in one part of it, close to the high road, stands the mausoleum, erected by the late Duke as his family cemetery, and consisting of a massive pyramidal pile of stone, two stories in height, the upper part of which contains a bell, and is surmounted by a cross. The interior has an apartment for performing the funeral service, and has 20 catacombs on each side, faced with Derbyshire marble; but none of them are yet occupied except one, in which are deposited the remains of a daughter of the present Duke.

William White, Directory of Staffordshire, 1834



The other prominent buildings on the map are the Parsonage House for the vicar at Trentham and the school house which stood on the north side of the entrance to the carriage drive to the Parsonage. This was originally founded for the education of poor boys of the village but had become a paid school by the 18th century. Girls were not catered for until the Duchess of Sutherland built a new girls' school near the Whitmore road c.1844. The photograph shows the schoolmaster's house c.1912.

#### 1851 CENSUS

##### PARSONAGE HOUSE

Edward J Edwards	Head	Mar	39	Perpetual Curate of	Middlesex, Harrow
Elizabeth A Edwards	Wife	Mar	30	Trentham	London
Justinian H Edwards	Son	Single	7	Scholar at Home	Staffs, Trentham
Katherine Edwards	Dau	Single	6	Scholar at Home	Staffs, Trentham
Edith L Edwards	Dau	Single	5	Scholar at Home	Staffs, Trentham
Beatrice M Edwards	Dau	Single	3	Scholar at Home	Staffs, Trentham
James Edwards	Son	Single	1 month		Staffs, Trentham
William Woodward	St	Single	25	House Servant	Derbysh, Kensington
Eliza Hazeldine	St	Single	43	House Servant	Notts, Gunthorpe
James Thomas	St	Single	26	House Servant	Lancs, Liverpool
Elizabeth Mackrory	St	Single	16	House Servant	Staffs, Barlastone
Anne Timmis	St	Single	45	House Servant	Staffs, Stone
Elizabeth Lake	St	Single	26	House Servant	Staffs, Draycott

##### BORN:

##### TRENTHAM POST OFFICE

John Powell	Head	Mar	40	Schoolmaster	Warwicksh, Birmingham
Elma Powell	Wife	Mar	39		Salop, Shrewsbury
John Powell	Son	Single	14	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Anne M Powell	Dau	Single	11	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Robert G Powell	Son	Single	9	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Alfred E Powell	Son	Single	7	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Susan G Powell	Dau	Single	6	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Mary Powell	Dau	Single	5	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Sarah A Powell	Dau	Single	3	At Home	Staffs, Trentham
Ellen S Powell	Dau	Single	1	At Home	Staffs, Trentham
Fanny Jones	Boarder	Single	16	At Home	Salop, Oswestry
Robert Gittins	Boarder	Single	11	At Home	Salop, Alberbury
Jane Barlow	St	Single	NK (under 20)	House St	Salop
Ann Burton	St	Single	NK (under 20)	House St	Salop



Equally prominent is the Trentham Inn located on that site since the 17th century. Its delights are described by the Rev William Fernyhough in poems published in 1814. It was also the place where the licensing sessions for Pirehill North were held until 1868 and where local organisations and friendly societies also held their meetings. One such society was the Trentham Society for the Prosecution of Felons formed in 1796. The advert below is taken from the Staffordshire Advertiser on the 13th of February 1796.

# LINES ON TRENTHAM INN.

THE Traveller, tir'd, can here with pleasure stay,  
Nor think, in tarrying, he has lost a Day;  
For in this House he meets with choicest Cheer,  
Good Wine, good Porter, and most famous Beer :  
Whilst TRENTILAM's grand and charming Scenes  
supply  
A Feast delicious to the Stranger's eye;  
And when his Power o'er mortals, Morpheus sheds,  
Here are clean Chambers, and as well-air'd beds.  
The Landlord, too, truth bids us much commend,  
In him we find the pleasant, social Friend:  
Gen'rous, obliging, studious all to please,  
He fills his Station with becoming Ease;  
In short, at TRENTHAM INN such Comforts reign,  
He, who calls once, is sure to call again.

## TRENTHAM ASSOCIATION,

*For the Prosecution of Felons &c*

WE whose Names are hereunto subscribed, having formed ourselves into a Society to pursue and prosecute any Person or Persons, who shall commit or attempt to commit, any Felony or Robbery against, or upon any of our Persons or Property, particularly House-breakers, Horse-stealers, or the Stealers of Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, Poultry, &c. do hereby offer the following Rewards, *That is to say.*

To every Person by whose Information any Offender shall be convicted of any capital Offence, the sum of - - - - - 10 10 0  
For any Offender cast for Transportation the sum of - - - - - 5 5 0

And for every Person convicted of a less Crime, any Sum not exceeding One Guinea, nor less than Five Shillings, at the Discretion of the Society, at their next annual or special Meeting.

And to every Toll-gate-Keeper, by whose Information any Highway-robber, or the Stealer of any Horse, Cattle, or Sheep, shall be apprehended, the sum of One Guinea to be paid by the Treasurer.

ON

## A FEW GENTLEMEN

Meeting at Trentham Inn to partake of some Venison,  
On September 10th, 1811.

THIS meeting of mirth, to describe I begin;  
Oh! how good was the Ven'son at GOODWIN's good  
Inn,  
How fit for choice fellows our Landlord's choice  
Wine;  
How rare, how nectareous, how mellow, how fine.  
We crack'd some few bottles, some nuts and a joke,  
In glee then united our pipes we did smoke:  
But what to myself prov'd by far the best treat,  
Was such social convivial Companions to meet.  
Here no Language discordant, no jarring was heard,  
For Friendship presided and gave the sweet Word;  
Sons of Harmony all, all true hearted good men,  
My ambition is often to meet them again.

<i>Trentham.</i>	{ Richard Read,
The Marquis of Stafford.	{ Samuel Blore.
The Rev. Thomas Muls,	{ <i>Newstead.</i>
Robert Griffin,	{ Hugh Ford,
Thomas Goodwin,	{ <i>Lilarton &amp; Cockayne.</i>
William Allager,	{ William Proctor,
Richard Stanley,	{ John Swift,
James Penson,	{ John Knight,
Edward Crump,	{ William Hill,
Samuel Knight,	{ William Swift,
Ann Lakin,	{ John Hodson.
Isaac Alton.	{ <i>Hansford.</i>
<i>Donchurch.</i>	{ Thomas Corbet,
James Blore,	{ William Higgs,
William Bennet,	{ Samuel Glover.
Richard Cotton,	{ George Ibbs,
John Machin,	{ Joseph Tomlinson.
Whitchurch Brindley,	{

THOMAS HORNWOOD,

TREASURER.

Feb. 3d, 1796.



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Whilst TRENTAM'S grand and charming Scenes supply  
A Feast delicious to the Stranger's eye;  
And when his Power o'er mortals, Morpheus sheds,  
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Wm Fernyhough, Poems on several occasions, 1814

## 2.) 1851 CENSUS: TRENTAM INN

John Swift	Head	Mar	51	Farmer of 240 Acres employing 5 labourers	Staffs, Longton
Charlotte Swift	Wife	Mar	54	Innkeeper	Lincs, Grimsthorpe
John Swift	Son	Single	19	Farmer's Son	Staffs, Blurton
Frederick Swift	Son	Single	17	Farmer's Son	Staffs, Trentham
Fanny Kate Crisp	Wife's Dau	"	16	Farmer's Daughter	Staffs, Trentham
Rosetta Bailey	S-in-L	Single	63	Annuitant	Lincs, Grimsthorpe
Hannah Brain	St	Single	NK	(above 20) House Servant	Staffs, Newcastle
Margaret Nicholls	St	Single	NK	(above 20) House Servant	Staffs, Newcastle
Ann Hill	St	Single	NK	(above 20) House Servant	Staffs, Newcastle
Thomas Lowe	St	Single	20	Boots	Staffs, Stoke-upon-Tren

- 3.) TRENTAM FRIENDLY SOCIETY. The members of this society celebrated their 51st anniversary on Thursday last, when upwards of 260 members assembled, and went in procession, headed by the Longton Brass Band, through the village to the residences of most of the gentry in the neighbourhood. They afterwards proceeded to the church, where the Rev E.J. Edwards preached a suitable sermon. After their return they partook of a substantial dinner, which was provided by the hostess of the inn. A fete had also been provided in the tea gardens by the exertions of the past officers, in aid of the funds of the society, which proved satisfactory, and which it is expected will take place annually.

The Staffordshire Advertiser, 23 August 1862

## TRENTAM INN TEA GARDENS

- 4.) Mrs SWIFT begs to inform Excursionists and Visitors to the far-famed beauties of Trentham Park, that she will on Whit Monday, the first day of June next, open the Grounds attached to TRENTAM INN as TEA GARDENS and PLEASURE GROUNDS.
- The Grounds have been laid out so as to ensure the comfort and pleasure of visitors. The TEA TABLES will be most pleasantly spread beneath Green and Shady Bowers; and in addition to the arrangements for providing visitors with Tea and its concomitants of the best quality, at most reasonable charges, REFRESHMENTS of all kinds will be readily available on the Grounds.
- A broad and beautiful Lawn has been laid out for the lovers of Dancing, for whose pleasure an efficient BAND will be in attendance, and perform the favourite Dance Music of the day.
- Admission to the Grounds 6d.

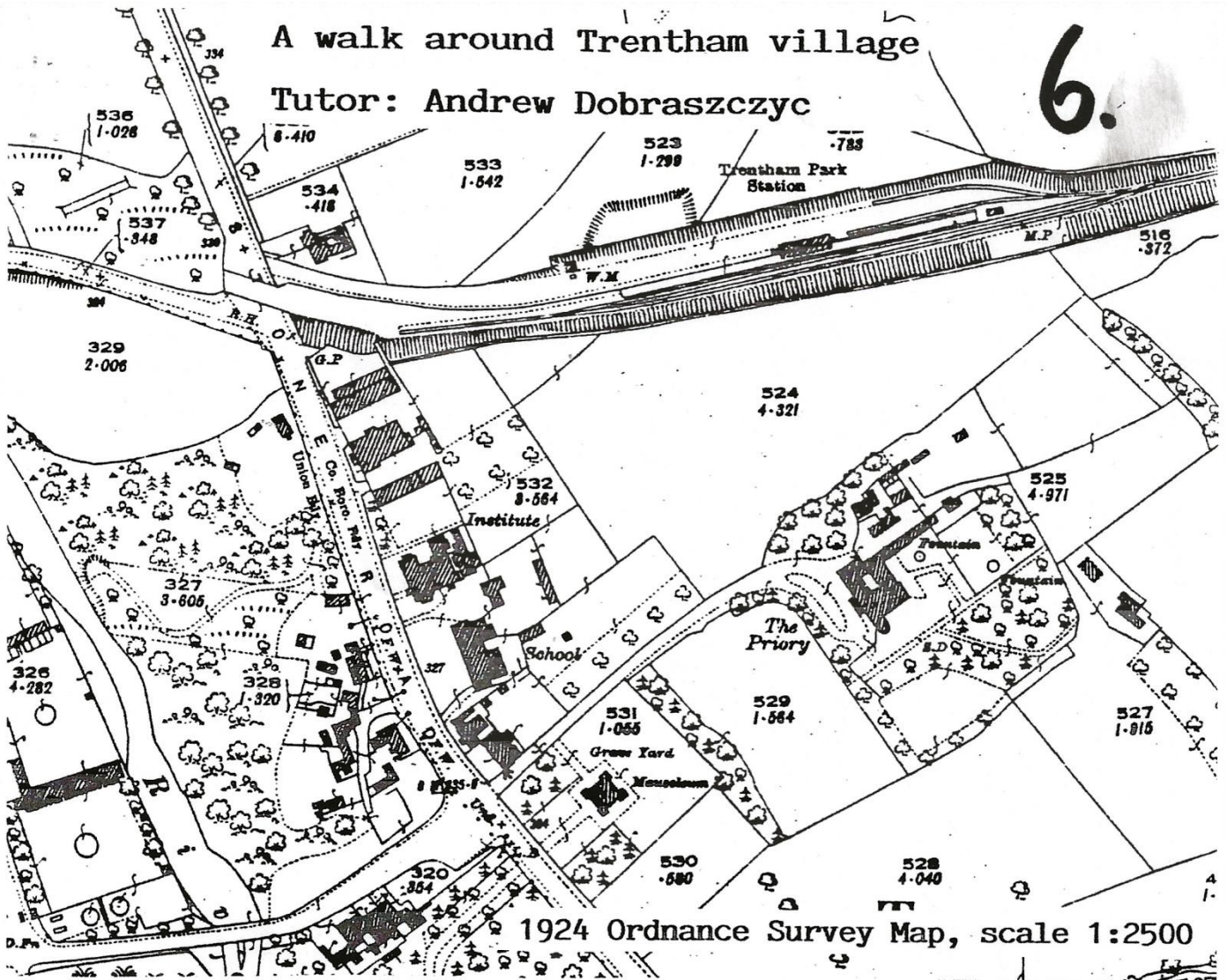
The Staffordshire Advertiser, 16 May 1857



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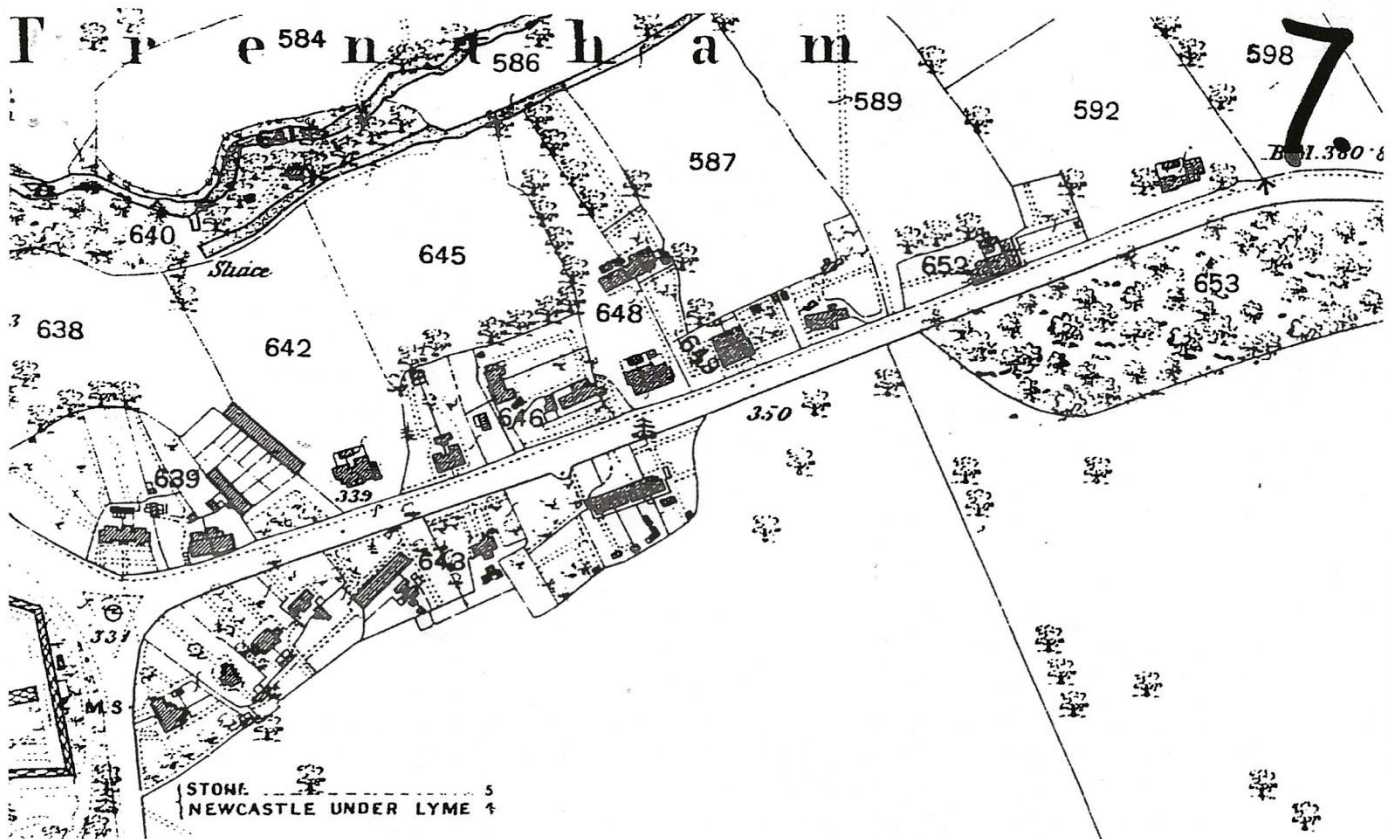


*The Institute, Trentham.*



The Institute, Stone Road, Trentham





The Ordnance Survey map above of 1877 shows Trentham village on both sides of Longton Road. In the early 19th century most of the houses were small, thatched cottages occupied by agricultural labourers and estate workers. In the 1830s and 1840s alongside the rebuilding of Trentham Hall the estate began to rebuild the estate cottages. By 1851, William White, in his Directory of Staffordshire noted "most of the houses and cottages (at Trentham) have been rebuilt during the last few years, in a neat and uniform manner, in blocks of two or three together, with tasteful gardens." One example of the new style of cottages is the row of three cottages facing the roundabout on the A34. They are built in an ornamental style with steep-pitched roofs and prominent barge-boards. In 1881 they were occupied by John Bedford, 32, gardener, and his wife, 4 daughters, a visitor, and his father, 62, an agricultural labourer; William Mackrory, 42, Butler, and his wife and 2 daughters and 3 sons; and Sarah Hemmings, 40, laundress, her sister, also a laundress, and a lodger, 29, a gardener. All the new cottages were built along the main road or in its immediate vicinity. The rest of the land to the south was occupied by Trentham Ley - valuable pasture land let out to butchers and farmers moving stock north to the industrial cities. The advertisement below shows it was the task of the lodge park-keeper to organise the letting of the land:

**TRENTHAM LEY**, from the 13th of May to the 11th of October, 1836.

	£.	s.	d.
For Cows .....	3	0	0
Twinters .....	2	0	0
Stirks .....	1	10	0
Horses—One year old .....	3	0	0
Two year do. ....	4	10	0
Three year do. ....	5	0	0

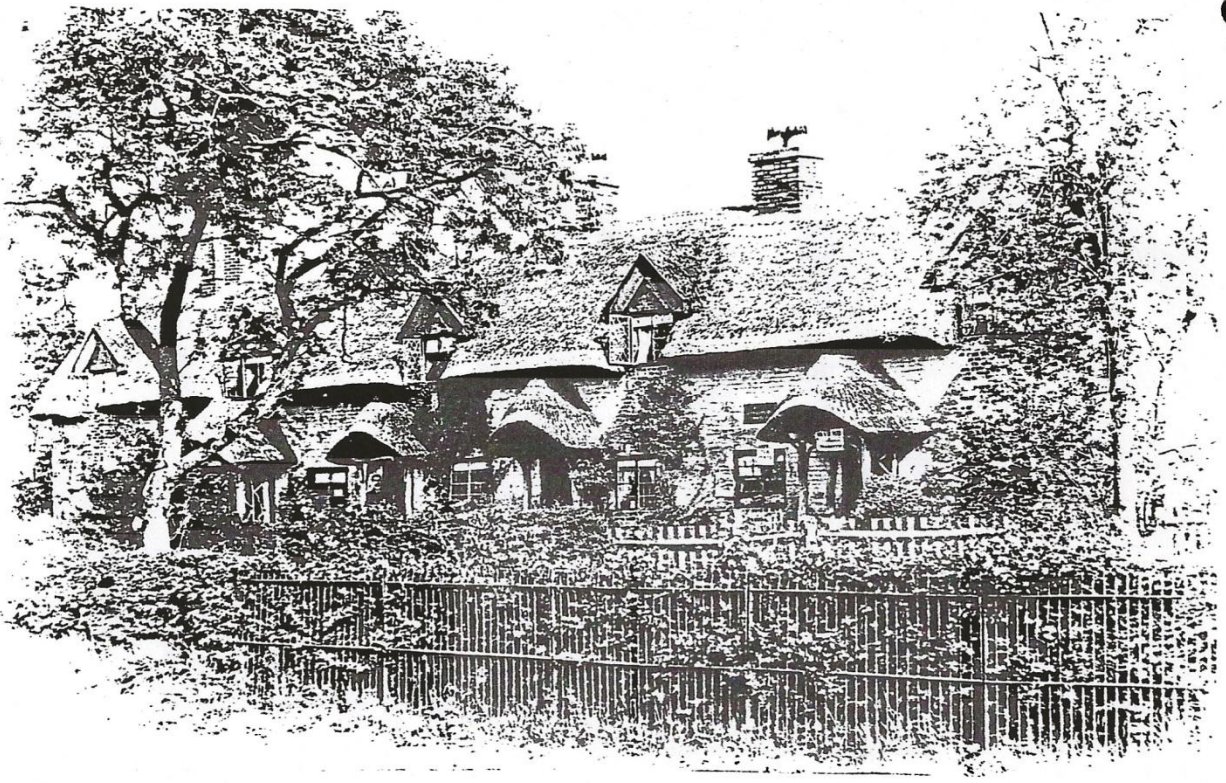
The Ley is well supplied with water, and will not be over stocked; and a careful person is appointed to attend to the stock.

To enter the stock, apply to the tenant, JOHN PENSON, Park Lodge; Mr. SCOTT, Rose Buck Inn, Newcastle; or Mr. LIDDELL, Royal Victoria Hotel, Newport.

The Tenant will not be accountable for any loss or accident that may happen to the stock; and the money must be paid at the time of taking out of the Ley.

N.B.—JOHN PENSON will send a person to meet the stock from Shropshire on Thursday the 12th of May, at Mrs. Tagg's, King's Arms Inn, Eccleshall.





The process of cottage improvement was a very slow one. Tenants were allowed to remain in occupation for many years undisturbed, often at very low rents. For that reason there were still 11 thatched cottages in Trentham village in 1919. The photographs on this page show two examples of these. The one above shows 4 cottages which stood on the south side of Longton Road on a site now occupied by a petrol filling station. They were probably originally built as 5 cottages each containing one or two bedrooms. The cottage on the right was slightly larger because it was occupied as a grocer's shop. The tenant in 1881 was Hannah Barnett, 36, returned as "Grocer" in the census of that year. Living with her was her daughter aged 10 and two female visitors. She was still in occupation in 1919 when the cottages were put up for sale, at a rent of £2 6s 6d per annum.

The photograph below shows a pair of cottages on the south side of Longton Road. One of these is still standing, but apart from the porch it is almost unrecognisable today. The thatch has been replaced by a tiled roof and the dormer windows have gone. In 1881 the remaining cottage was occupied by William Rhead, 52, plasterer, and his wife and son (a painter). A Mrs A Rhead was still in occupation in 1919 at a rent of £9 2s 6d. The other cottage, since demolished, was occupied by the Trentham Post Office after the First World War.





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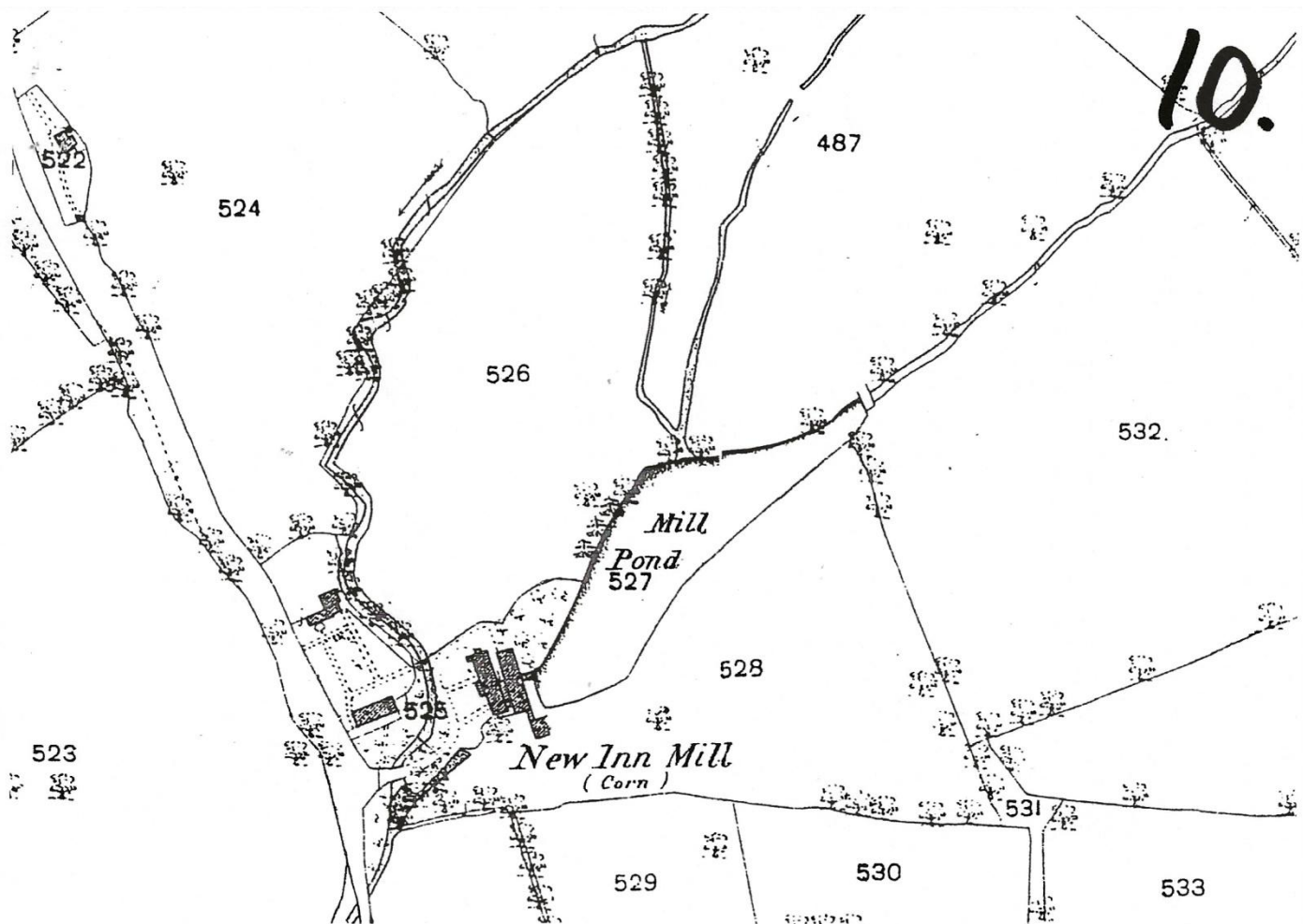
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In the 1870s the Duke's agent began a new programme of cottage improvement. The estate architect evolved a new cottage style which became a trade mark of the buildings erected on the Trentham Hall estate. The cottages were distinguished by tall chimneys, overhanging eaves, prominent use of timbering on the gables, and small casement windows. They were usually built in pairs, sometimes in rows of three. There are 3 examples of these new cottages in Trentham village. The block of 3 cottages stands on the north side of Longton Road. At the time of the 1881 census they were occupied by:

Samuel Hemmings	Head	Widower	51	Carter	BORN: Staffs, Trentham
John Hemmings	Son	Single	25	House Carpenter	Staffs, Trentham
Georgiana Hemmings	Dau	Single	19	Housekeeper	Staffs, Trentham
Samuel Hemmings	Son	Single	13	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Thomas Hemmings	Son	Single	12	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham
Joseph Hughes	Head	Married	36	Bricklayer	Staffs, Trent Vale
Elizabeth Hughes	Wife	Married	47		Salop, Woodcote
Ann Barnett	Sis-in-L		58	Pensioner	Salop, Woodcote
Thomas Perrins	Head	Married	30	General Labourer	Staffs, Hanford
Elizabeth Perrins	Wife	Married	29		Staffs, Hanchurch
Louisa Perrins	Dau	Single	1		Staffs, Trentham

In 1919, 2 of the cottages were still occupied by the same family: Mr T Hemmings; Mr William Barnett; and Mrs E Perrins. Each house had 3 bedrooms and was let at £5 6s 6d per annum.





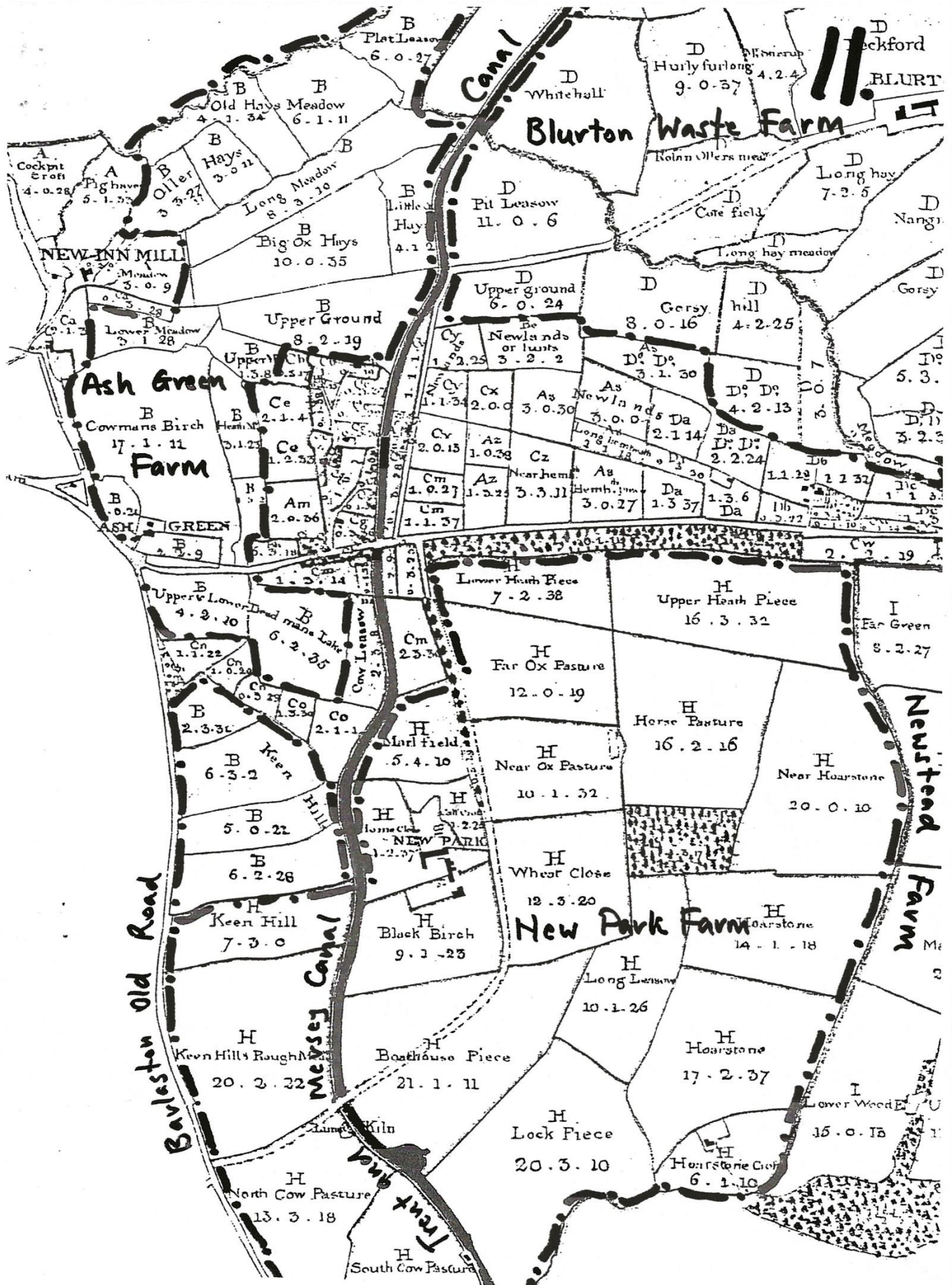
#### NEW INN MILL

New Inn Mill was one of three water mills located on the Longton Brook in the 18th century (see map page 1). The water mill nearest the main road (A34) had been demolished by 1832 as part of the improvement of Trentham village but the mill on New Inn Lane is still standing today. The Ordnance Survey map above of 1877 shows that the mill pond was fed by a mill race from the Longton Brook. The water from the mill pond was channelled over a covered water wheel in the centre of a large, three storied structure which contained the corn mill on the south side and a granary on the north side. In front, facing New Inn Lane is the miller's house. In 1832 the mill was occupied by Robert Griffin who also leased 13 acres of land around the mill from the Trentham estate. By 1851 the occupier was Jane Knapper, widow, 46, who "employed 1 man", probably her son, Thomas, aged 22, who was living with her at the mill. At the time of the 1881 census the occupiers were as follows:

Elizabeth Rogers	Head	Widow	54	Farmer 38 acres employing 2 men & Miller	BORN: Staffs, Hobbergate
Samuel Rogers	Son	Single	24	Farmer & Miller	Staffs, Trentham
Lucy Rogers	Dau	Single	21	Farmer's Daughter	Staffs, Trentham
Thomas Rogers	Son	Single	14	Scholar	Staffs, Trentham

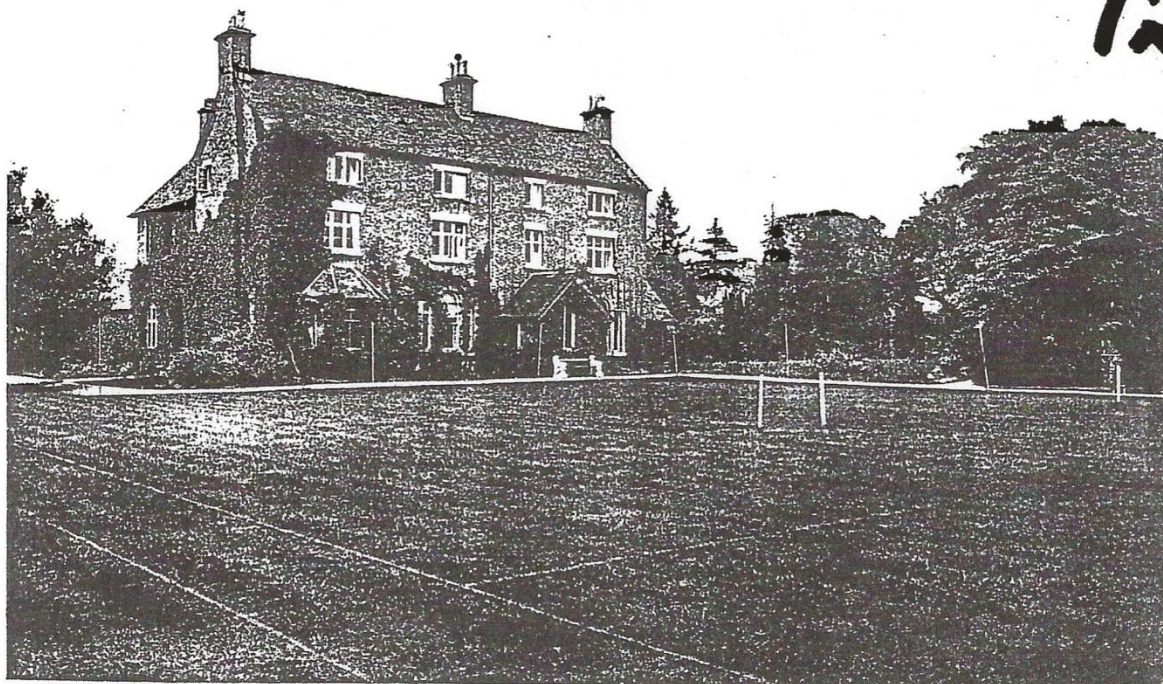
The mill would have been used by local farmers on the Trentham estate and some of the adjacent farms are shown on the map on the next page. However, by the early 1890s sales of land by the Trentham Hall estate for building development had reduced the demand for milling and by 1891 the mill had closed and the mill pond rapidly silted up. In 1919 the mill, along with the rest of the estate, was put up for sale. The miller's house was partly occupied by Mrs W Mackrory at a rent of £5 per annum. But the greater part was occupied by Mrs William Brassington who also held 67 acres of land at a rent of £122 19s 10d per annum. Apart from the house, the accommodation included a bakehouse, stables, and cowsheds with space for 22 cows.





H. Fulton, Map of part of the Trentham Estate, 1832.  
Farm names and farm boundaries have been added.





#### ESTATE FARMS

In the early 19th century Lock, the estate agent, reorganised many of the estate farms. Smaller farms were amalgamated, old buildings demolished, and new farmhouses and farm buildings erected in their place. In 1832 there were 4 large farms in the Hem Heath area: Newstead Farm, occupied by Richard Ford (317 acres), New Park Farm, occupied by Isaac Aston (295 acres), Blurton Waste Farm, occupied by John Townsend (225 acres), and Ash Green Farm, occupied by Richard Stanley (120 acres). Most of these farms disappeared in the 20th century when the land was sold off for building development. There is no trace, for example, of Ash Green farm which stood on the north side of Longton Road opposite the junction with Barlaston Old Road. However, traces of other farms can still be found in the area today. New Park Farm for example, shown on the photograph above in 1919 was a substantial 3 story farmhouse. The house was connected by a carriage drive part of which still survives, with gate posts, near the Longton Road. In the 1830s or 1840s an ornamental entrance lodge was built near the main road and this has survived intact even if the farm has disappeared under a new housing estate. At the time of the 1851 census the lodge was occupied by:

Elizabeth Salt	Head	Widow	68	Employed in agriculture	Staffs, Trentham
Joseph Salt	Son	Married	25	Under Usher Trentham Hall	Staffs, Trentham
Dorothy Salt	D-in-L	Married	29		Staffs, Cheadle
George Salt	Son	Single	19	Shoemaker	Staffs, Barlaston
Hannah Davenall	Grda	Single	10	Scholar	Staffs, Longton
William Salt	Grson	Single	1		Staffs, Trentham

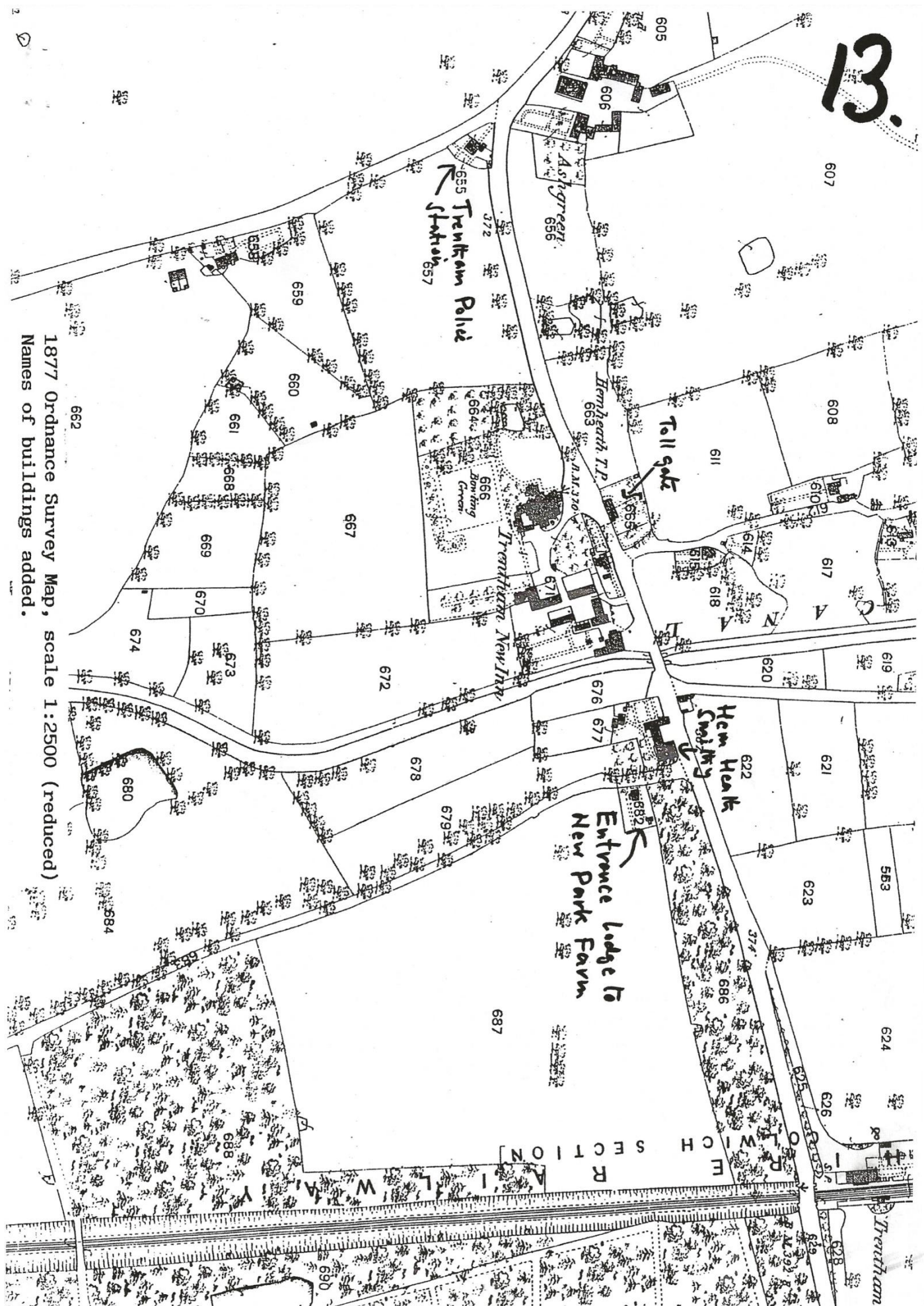
New Park Farm was then occupied by:

George Cooper	Head	Married	61	Farmer 48 acres employing	Staffs, Westbromwich
Betty Cooper	Wife	Married	68	1 labourer	Staffs, Bloxwich
Dorothy Cooper	Dau	Single	27		Staffs, Stone
Jemma Cooper	D-in-L	Widow	33	Annuitant	Chesh, Wybunbury
George Cooper	Grson	Single	4		Lancs, Werrington
Sarah Cooper	Grda	Single	2		Lancs, Werrington
Ann Beckett	St	Single	21	House Servant	Staffs, Brindley Ford
Vernon Pedley	St	Single	24	Agricultural Labourer	Staffs, Cheddleton

The other feature that has also gone is the cattle pound next to Ash Green Farm on the corner of New Inn Lane (see next page). This had been abandoned by 1899.

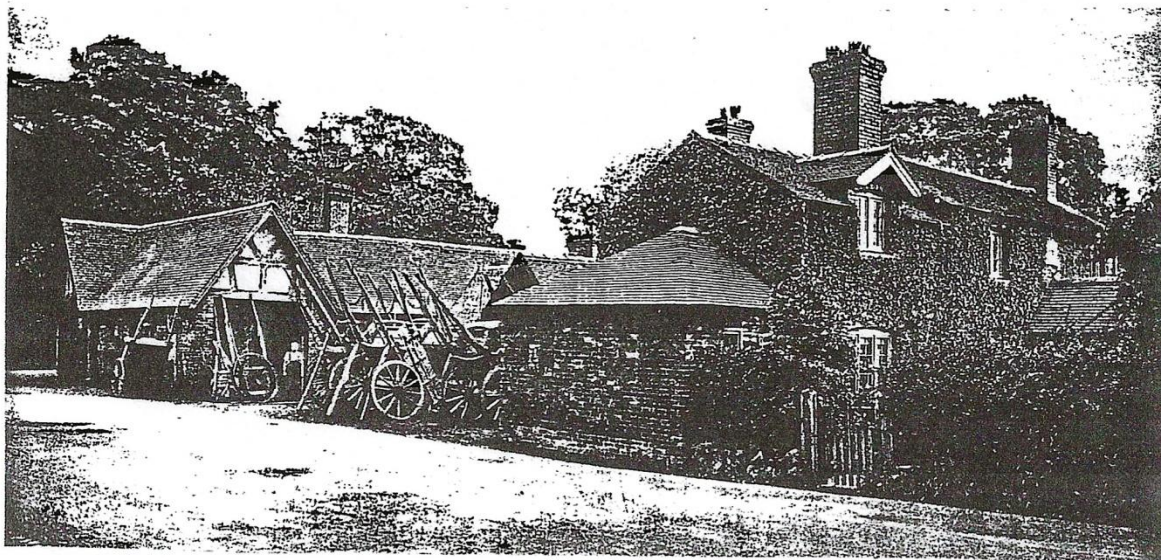


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1877 Ordnance Survey Map, scale 1:2500 (reduced)  
Names of buildings added.





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#### HEM HEATH WHARF

The Trent and Mersey Canal was built in 1766-77. The road from Meir to Trentham (the present Longton Road/Trentham Road) was turnpiked in 1771. At the point where the two intersect, Hem Heath, the Trent and Mersey Canal Company built a wharf and wharf-keeper's house on the west side of the canal. Much of the materials required for the rebuilding of Trentham Hall would have arrived via this wharf. At about this time a new public house, called "The Roebuck" was built on the site now occupied by the Trentham Hotel. Many of the occupiers of the pub combined the licensing trade with that of wharfinger. For example William Penson who occupied the pub in the 1830s was a publican, wharfinger, and farmer of 11½ acres. Activity at the wharf must have increased as new houses were constructed on the south side of Longton and new stables and out-buildings were erected behind the wharfkeeper's house. The advertisement below of 1914 gives a good indication of trade at the wharf.

The other focus of activity was the blacksmith's and Wheelwright's shop which stood on the east side of the canal and is illustrated in the photograph above. In 1881 it was occupied by Sarah Massey, widow, 54, farming 8 acres, with her son aged 29 running the blacksmith's shop with the assistance of two apprentices who lived with the family. In 1919 it was occupied by Mrs H Walklate at a rent of £24 10s per annum. The site is now occupied by a petrol filling station.

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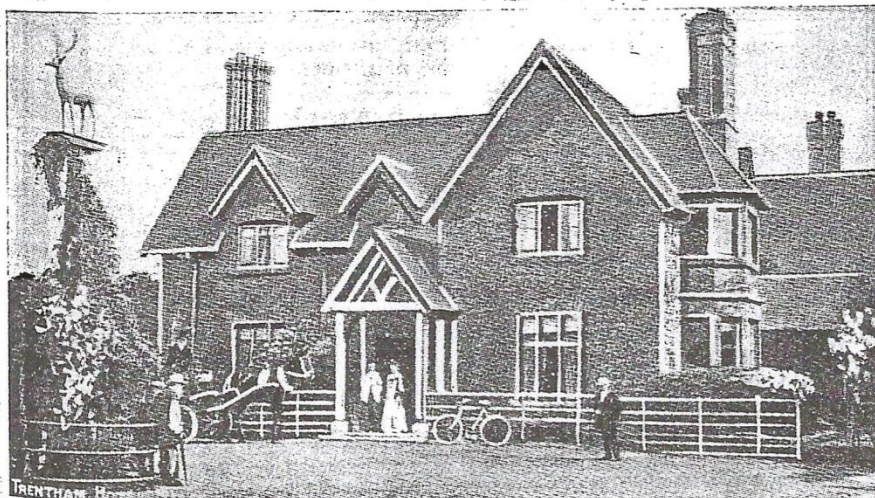
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Telegrams: "SWIFT, TRENTHAM."

Telephone No. 6.

## TRENTHAM HOTEL, Stoke-on-Trent

(Five Minutes' walk from Station).

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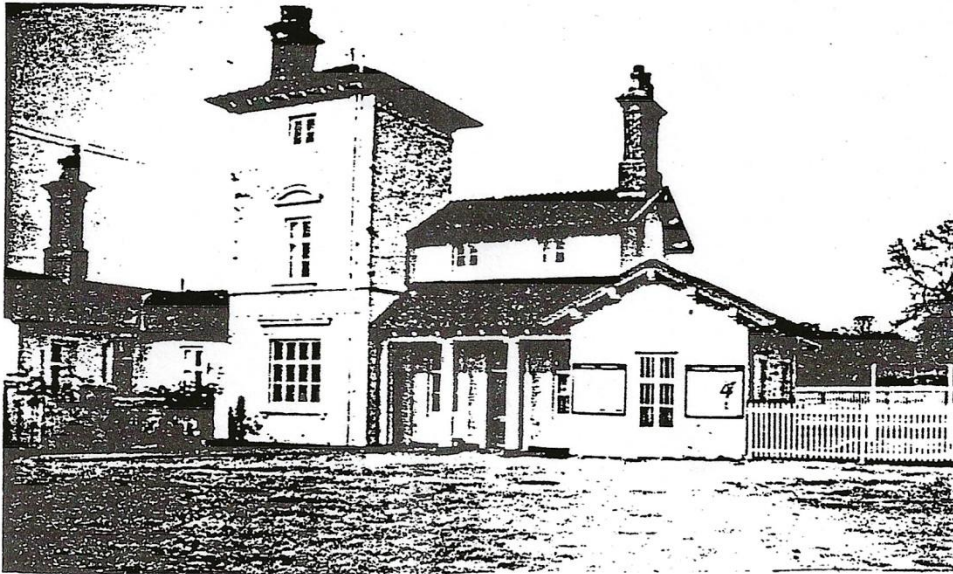
### THE TRENTHAM HOTEL

In 1865 the Staffordshire Advertiser reported that a fire had occurred at the Roebuck Inn. Despite the efforts of two fire engines sent from Trentham Hall the building was totally destroyed. Several horses belonging to boatmen were led to safety from the stables but very little else survived the flames. Mr Menzies, the Duke's agent, took the opportunity to close the old Trentham Inn on the A34 and transfer the license to a new Hotel built near the site of the old pub. At the time Mr Twemlow, the licensing magistrate, "Expressed an opinion that the new premises would not be so convenient to the public as the old. an opinion which is, we believe, pretty generally entertained..". However, the new hotel was opened with a flourish in 1868. In 1881 the occupiers were:

Peter Taylor	Head	Married	48	Hotel Keeper	Cheshire, Congleton
Mary Taylor	Wife	Married	36		Cheshire, Congleton
Frederick Taylor	Son	Single	13	Scholar	Cheshire, Congleton
Ann Durber	St	Single	25	Barmaid	Staffs, Stafford
Ellen Darlington	St	Single	17	Domestic Servant	Salop, Shrewsbury
Mary Swanwick	St	Single	18	Domestic Servant	Staffs, Stone
George Morris	St	Single	18	Boots	Hereford
Emanuel Taylor	Visitor	about	35	Not Known	
Taylor	"	about	30	Not Known	
a girl	"	about	5	Not Known	
Elizabeth Miller	St	Single	17	Barmaid	Chesh, Middlewich
Michael Morgan	St	Single	30	Agricultural Labourer	Ireland

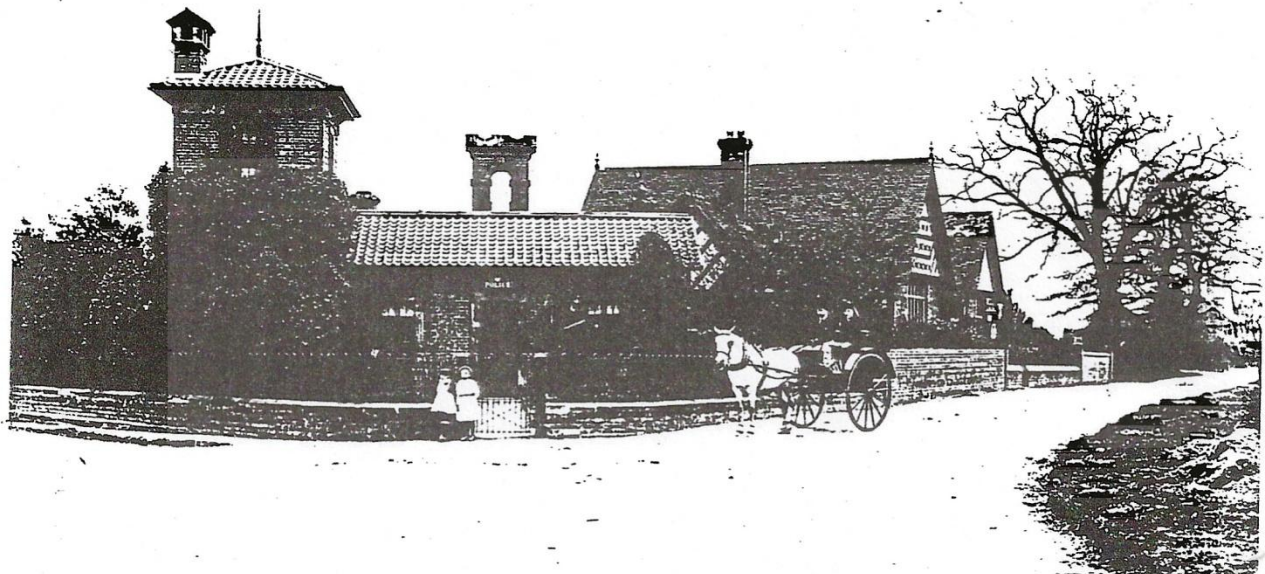
Despite the comments of the magistrate the hotel did good business especially at Wakes time when thousands of people came by train to Trentham Gardens. On such occasions the hotel advertised for 40 additional waiters to cater for the crowds. The photograph above shows the hotel in 1907. In 1919 it was leased to Joule & Sons for £312 per annum. It was advertised as the only licensed premises on the Trentham estate.





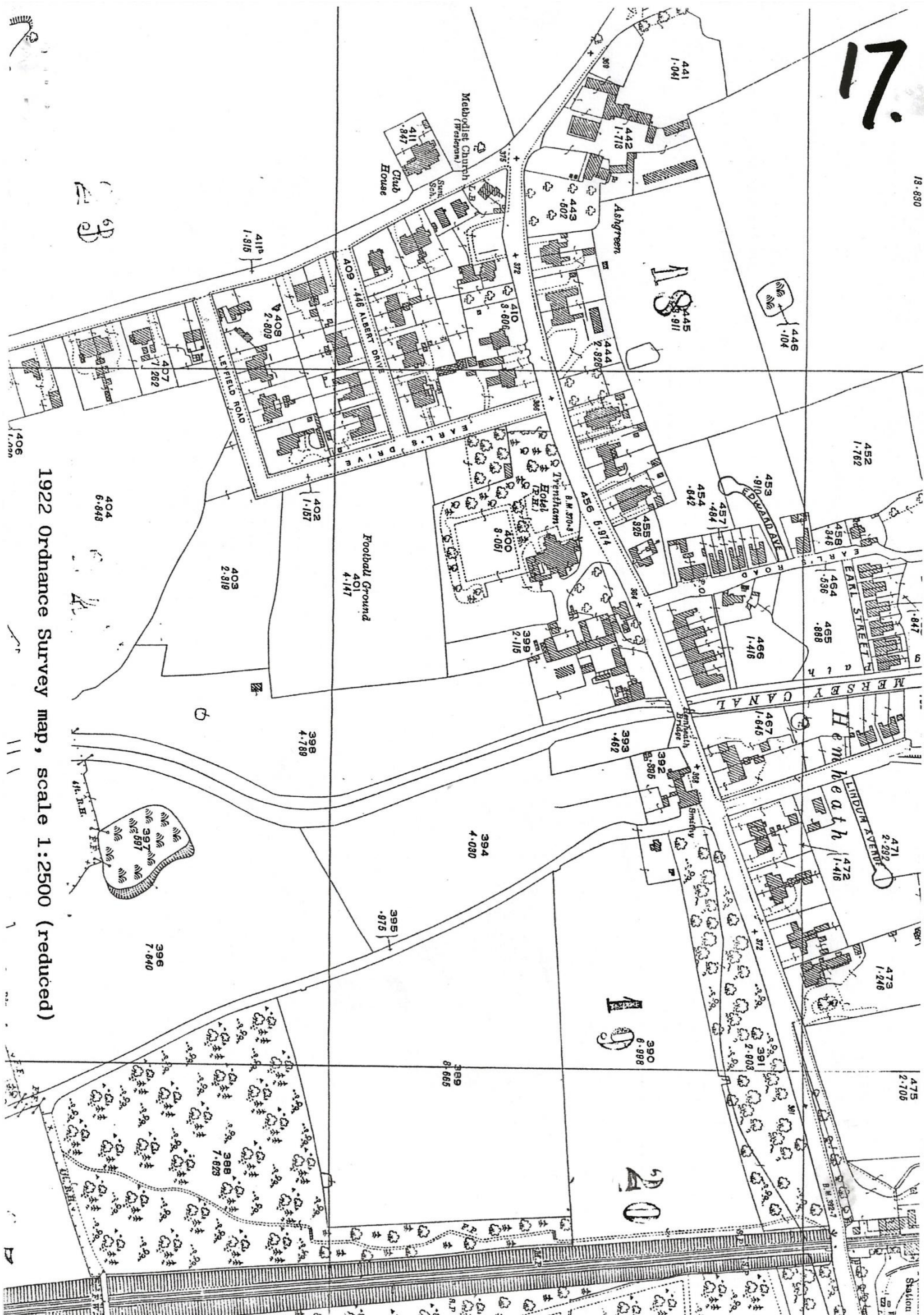
The railway station at Trentham was opened in 1848. Three years later a new station was built at the instance of the Duke of Sutherland and designed by Charles Barry in a similar style to the service buildings at Trentham Hall. The photograph above shows the main features - the tower and pantile roof. The new station master in 1851 was Frederick Palin, 21, who sared the station house with William Brough, 29, Porter.

Below is a photograph of trentham police Station built in a very similar style to the railway station and almost certainly designed by Charles Barry. It is located in a strategic position - between Longton and Trentham Hall and village to monitor the movement of people and traffic between the two areas. In 1881, it was occupied by William Hughes, Sargeant of Police and his wife and three children. The building is now occupied by the National westminster Bank. Also visible is the Methodist Chapel, designed by Mr Roberts, the estate architect, and erected in 1883 at a cost of £500. The adjacent school rooms were opened 4 years later. In the following decade the agent began to sell leasehold building plots in the area. By 1907 75 houses had been built between Barlaston Old Road and the railway line. The new houses along with the golf course of 1904 can be seen on the next map.





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## TRENTHAM HARVEST HOME.

The inhabitants of the parish of Trentham celebrated, yesterday, their "feast of In-gathering," or harvest home. The mode of keeping this festival is a great improvement upon the harvest homes of our ancestors, and, in fact, upon the manner in which the holiday is still observed in many parts of the country. It is conducted in this wise:—The clergy, the farmers, and other principal inhabitants of the parish decide upon a suitable day, and then agree to provide a dinner for their labourers, and a tea for the women and children, with other means of enjoyment. The festival is always preceded by divine service at the parish church, and the pleasures of the day are from first to last engaged in with moderation and sobriety. There may be here and there one or two of the rougher sort who prefer the license which too often disgraces harvest homes conducted in the old style, but the great majority of the labourers in the old style, but the great majority of the labourers at Trentham show by their deportment that the sensible, Christian way in which it is now the custom to rejoice in that parish over a bounteous harvest is a thing to be admired and cherished. The weather of yesterday was almost all that could have been desired, for though it was foggy and rather cold in the morning, the afternoon and evening were warm and fine. Shortly after eleven o'clock a procession was formed at the Parsonage, in the following order:—Flag inscribed, "God save the Queen;" the band of the Longton Rifle Corps; the choir of Trentham Church, with the banner of the choir of Trentham and the neighbourhood; school children, the girls all wearing white straw hats, banner, inscribed "Trentham flowers and ears of wheat;" School children, carrying a floral cross and other devices; large banner, inscribed "That it may please Thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them: we beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord;" the clergy in their robes, parishioners, and visitors. On reaching the road leading from the turnpike to the park, the choir, accompanied by the band, sang as they marched from that point to the church a harvest hymn, to a simple air, the effect of which was very pleasing. On either side the porch of the church stood a sheaf of wheat, and the carved screen inside was decorated in the same manner, the sheaves at that place being entwined with sprays of the hop plant. The congregation, many of whom carried ears of wheat, tied with ribbon, was large enough to fill the church. The service was conducted in the following order. The Rev. W. Taylor, of Swynerton, read the Litany, after which the choir sang a "Sanctus." The Rev. E. J. Edwards, the rector, then read the Communion Service and the Gospel, and the Rev. — Holloway, curate of Trentham, the Epistle. After this the congregation sang the hymn commencing—"Lord of the harvest, once again," from "Hymns Ancient and Modern," and then followed the sermon. The preacher was the Rev. Jonathan Eastwood, incumbent of Trinity Church, Hanley, whose text was, "Now He that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness." (2nd Cor., ix., 10.) The rev. gentleman's discourse was eminently suitable to the occasion. It was a plain and practical exhortation to the duty of recognising the goodness of God, not only in bringing to maturity the fruits of the earth, but also in endowing the husbandman with the skill to prepare the land, to sow the seed, and to garner the precious grain. He also showed that celebrations of this description were sanctioned by Scripture, quoting the "feast of In-gathering" which the Jews were expressly commanded to keep with rejoicing. Mr. Eastwood in the course of his sermon said that though he did not intend to call upon the congregation to make a special offering that day, he hoped that in their prosperity they would not forget their suffering fellow-countrymen in neighbouring counties.

At the close of the service, the procession was re-formed and marched to the park, where preparations had previously been made for the due celebration of the festival. On the cricket ground three large marquees were erected bearing words of loyalty and welcome, prettily wrought in dahlias and other flowers. The largest of these erections was set apart for the purposes of dinner, to which the company, numbering nearly 200, sat down with as little delay as possible. The marquee was decorated with evergreens, and over the chairman's seat were several sheaves of wheat. The Rev. E. J. Edwards presided, and Mr. Llewellyn and Mr. Fleming acted as vice-chairmen. The company included, in addition, the Rev. Sir L. T. Stamer, Bart., and Lady Stamer; Mrs. C. M. Campbell, the Rev. C. P. Wilbraham, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, Dr. Broomhall, Mr. Blakiston, Mr. T. Cooper, Dr. Hayes, Mr. Bate, the Rev. W. Taylor, the Rev. — Holloway, Mr. Wheatley, &c. The great majority of those who dined were, however, the sturdy sons of the soil, for whose especial benefit the feast was held. The dinner consisted of joints of first-rate beef and mutton, ham, plum puddings, fruit pies, vegetables, &c., and *à la carte*. When all had partaken to their hearts' content of this substantial fare, the CHAIRMAN gave "Our Sovereign Lady the Queen," which toast was loyally drunk.—Mr. BLAKISTON then proposed the "Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese," coupling with the toast the name of the Rev. Jonathan Eastwood, to whom he was sure they all felt much indebted for the admirable sermon he had preached that morning. (Applause.) He was very glad Mr. Eastwood had referred to the distress existing in the cotton district, but as a Pottery man he felt bound to say he feared the forthcoming winter would be as severe a trial for the district as the past had been. If unhappily this year proved a failure, he believed the poor would not appeal in vain to the inhabi-

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tants of Trentham. (Applause.)—The Rev. J. EASTWOOD, in responding, said those present had already heard one speech from him, and he did not intend to trouble them with another. He felt much obliged for the kind manner in which they had listened to him, and for so cordially drinking his health.—Mr. T. COOPER then gave the health of the Duke of Sutherland and his family. They owed their meeting together in that beautiful park, and in that spacious tent, to his grace the Duke. (Applause.) As one who had identified himself with the Potteries, he (Mr. Cooper) could speak of the great benefits which the people of that district derived from being able, after breathing its smoky atmosphere, to recreate themselves in that noble park. (Loud applause.) He was sure they would drink the toast with great pleasure, whether they thought of the present Duke, or of the Duchess who until lately was mistress of the place. (Applause.)—The CHAIRMAN acknowledged the toast on behalf of the Duke, and expressed the hope that the noble qualities of his father and mother would be found to have descended to their heirs. (Hear, hear.)—The Rev. Sir L. T. STAMER proposed "Success to the next Trentham Harvest Home." That, he said, was the first harvest home he had attended at Trentham, but he had seen sufficient to assure him that such meetings were a great blessing to every parish in which they were instituted. (Hear, hear.) They led men to look from the earth which they tilled to God, who was the giver of every good and perfect gift—they were celebrations which consecrated the fruits of the earth and acknowledged the beneficent Creator of them all. (Hear, hear.) As a Pottery clergyman he had perhaps no right to say that harvest homes had not always been celebrated in so laudable a manner, and that the keeping of a harvest home on every farm in a parish was not so good a plan as uniting all the labourers of a parish at one place, but he thought experience had shown this to be the case. (Hear, hear.) The unity of the interests of all the farmers and all the labourers in a parish was shown by the latter plan, and therefore he was quite sure they would join with him in wishing for a happy harvest home next year. (Loud applause.) Sir Lovelace then referred to the fact that amongst other good works which had originated at Trentham were meetings of parish choirs, which were now being held in all parts of the kingdom. (Applause.) He thought, too, Trentham had taken the lead in the matter of parish harvest homes. He trusted they would root themselves elsewhere as they had rooted themselves there, and that it would please God long to spare their excellent clergyman and his flock, and give them a similar happy meeting next year. (Loud applause.)—Dr. BROOMHALL next proposed "the health of the Clergy and Churchwardens of the parish of Trentham," gentlemen, he said, to whom they were all greatly indebted.—The CHAIRMAN,

after acknowledging the toast, thanked Sir Lovelace Stamer for his kind remarks, and said he was under a misapprehension when he said he thought parish harvest homes were originated at Trentham, the county of Norfolk having first seen their celebration, and Trentham having had grace, four or five years ago, to follow in its wake. As to harvest homes, he called not that man his brother whose heart did not rejoice and leap at the sound of the words—(applause)—because such meetings were occasions of bringing man nearer to his God and nearer to his fellow-man. (Loud applause.) The first thing they did was to assemble not in the park, but in the house of God, where all might bow the knee to one common Father, and then they adjourned to that table, because it was no less an ordinance of God that man should associate and sympathise with his fellow man. In the one place men united in hearty fellowship of worship and in the other in hearty fellowship of rejoicing. (Applause.) He was glad that parochial harvest homes were taking root in the country, because he thought they might perhaps say that in proportion as agriculture approached perfection by the aid of chemistry and machinery the greater was the tendency—he only said the tendency—in the fallen human heart to forget the unseen hand whose liberality provided for all. Therefore, it was, he thought, an excellent thing that a great agricultural meeting like that lately held at Newcastle should be followed by parochial harvest homes. (Hear.) The reverend chairman concluded by impressing upon farmers the importance of backing up squires and clergymen in their efforts to make harvest homes of this kind a permanent institution.—Dr. HAYES then gave "Success to the Trentham Friendly Society," and informed the company that a horticultural show was that day being held in the park for its benefit.—The last toast, that of "the Ladies," was proposed by the Rev. C. P. WILBRAHAM in a brief and humorous speech.

After dinner many of the company adjourned to a neighbouring marquee, in which the show of horticultural produce was held. The exhibition included a large collection of stove and a few greenhouse plants, together with some remarkably choice grapes, pears, apples, and other fruits, from the Hall. There was a very creditable competition by cottagers for a number of prizes, presented by ladies and gentlemen of the parish, for the best flowers, fruit, and vegetables. Shortly after dinner, a large dancing party was formed, and this amusement was kept up with much spirit until dusk. In the evening, tea was supplied to a large number of persons; and thus the holiday-makers "passed the merry time" until the coming on of night sent them, contented and happy, to their homes.