



THE
NEW
INN
CLACK

WALTER C. SMITH
CARPETS MATTING







THE WINDMILL

POST OFFICE

WHEELS & BOOTS





POST OFFICE

T.W. PEERY

REAR HAY AND MANILLA

Advertisement for clothing items in the shop window.



FOR BREAD
POST OFFICE
BY POST OFFICE
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BAMPTON POST OFFICE

T. W. EMBREY

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CLOTHING ESTABLISHMENT

From

Memorandum.

T. W. Pembrey,

DRAPER & C.

Bampton, Oxon.



To Miss A. Smith
Salisbury

August 5th 1875

Madam. Your experience is rather short but if you are clever at Millinery, and have naturally good taste, think you would suit us. We are giving our present Milliner £20. per annum, she suits us well, but is about to be married. Would name

the same salary for the first six months
Should this be satisfactory, please ^{send} reference.

I am, yours truly
W. P. —
per J. W. Pembrey

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To Miss L. Smith
Lakenheath

August 5th 1875

Dr Madam You do not say if you have been accustomed to the management of workmen should like to know if you are considered a good fit as you would be required to take all orders and fit. Our second hand has been with us 6 or 7 years so that it

is quite necessary the first should have good
taste and style as well as fit. This depart-
ment having gone back the last two years,
owing to the management we are anxious to
improve it, if you think you are quite com-
petent to undertake this, please send refer-
ence and say how long in last situation
Our hours of business are from 5 past 8 to
8 o'clock. You would have entire control
of workroom hands varying from 3 to 6.

I am, Yours truly

J. W. Pennington
Co.

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Bampton, Oxon.

To Misses Smith
Lakenheath,

Aug 11th 1875

Your references are satisfactory. I should
now like to know when you wish to
come. We can manage till the end
of the month. Hope when you come,
you will feel at home with us, and
that it will be for a permanency.
As we much dislike changes, I forget

if I told you that Hampton is quite
a country town, and very quiet and
we are homely people. but I trust
we shall get on comfortably together
I suppose you know Mr. J. Marshall, we
expect him with us next Saturday, but
I regret for the last time this year.



KING'S OF DAMPTON

WVY 244



Bampton.



GREENGLASS



Hand Weighing

P & L Barington







THE
NEW
JURY
HALL

BACON STEPHENS & PHILLIPS
CROCCER
MERCHANT
AGENT FOR
PHILLIPS
COLMISTON & CO
STOUT







FLEUR de LYS HAIR
STYLIST







THE HOUSEHOLD STORES
W. & A. HOOD
WALLPAPER, PAINTS,
DECORATIONS, Etc.





Mr R. C. Smith had a shop which was in the dwellings now called Strawberry Cottage and Lesta House. The firemen with a hand or horse drawn (if they had far to go) is seen outside Smiths. T. W. Pembrey took on the shop after.

T. W. Pembrey gradually incorporated what are now 4 separate properties making it Bampton's only department store, ever. For quite a long time it included the building across the road opposite what is now the Morris Clown, the thatched building now called Strawberry Cottage (at 2018) and what today (2018) is Lesta House. At that point, gentlemen's clothing was for sale across the road and a rail of jackets can be seen outside in one photograph. Just about all other household items were to be found in the other two parts of the shop including the Post Office. When Pembreys bought and included No7 High Street the Post Office was relocated into it and the words Post Office can be seen in the two places in the photographs. These three hand written letters by T. W. Pembrey Draper & Co to the Misses D and L Smith in Lakenheath are about their future employment in their department store.

The shop later became the property of I. E. Busby and his name can be clearly seen on the part of the shop opposite The New Inn. In the same picture you can see Clark & Son the shoe snob; his wife, seen in another picture ran a grocery shop in what is now No4 Town House. When her husband died her son joined her and P & L Bovington took on the premises of the shoe shop to sell wet fish plus fruit and vegetables. It was also the place to order coal because the third brother, Jim Bovington ran the coal delivery business.

In 1960 Les and Stella King bought the shop but I don't know if anyone owned it between Mr Busby and Mr King.

The Jubilee inn is on the left, the War Memorial centre front and the house on the right behind the railings is Greyshott House. Circa 1950

The Jubilee Inn and Mrs Clark's shop

The Jubilee Inn in the Market Square in the 1930s. Garnes Burford Ales and Stouts on sale.

Post card view of High Street from Market Square showing The Jubilee Inn and its cafe and Mrs Clark's shop.

Window boxes at the Jubilee Inn

Behind the railing on the left are the thatched building of Wenman's bakery, pulled down to make way for the War Memorial. Behind Wenman's is The Jubilee Inn with just one window and a chimney stack visible. No4 Town House was then a thatched shop and next to it going east is another shop but we have not

been able to find what it sold or who owned it. Bampton Commercial Academy owned and run by Alfie Bryant is on the right. Note the gentleman who has put his watering can down to stand still for the photograph.

Reg Pratley on the right, standing outside the Jubilee Inn where he was the landlord.

Crowd outside the Jubilee Inn which is selling Garnes ales. Probably c1950s. May have been for the shirt race looking at the table with beer glasses on it outside.

The Jubilee Inn now selling Wadworth's beers not Garnes. Circa late 1970s or early 1980s.

War Memorial, Jubilee Inn and a shop which is now No.4 Town House.

The Jubilee Inn selling Garnes Burford Ales and Stouts, with a very old car parked outside. Note the 30mph sign; the Market Square was a through road originally, not the car park area it is today (2014.) Railings around the war memorial are just visible so it is after 19232.

The very old picture looking east from the main road outside what today (2018) is the Co-op shows an advertising board over the door to Wheelgate House; this was Alfie Bryant's property where he ran a school for boys and was agent for an insurance company. Looking at the property in the background seen between the two gentlemen, again there is a large board over the door but I have not been able to find what was sold here or who owned it, which is a pity. On the left there is a thatched building which was Wenman the baker's shop and home and to the east of it is a little cottage where people could buy fish twice a week and both this and Wenman's were pulled down to make way for the War Memorial. The thatched building almost at the centre of the picture was a shop until about the early 1980s and you can see Mrs Clark standing in the doorway of this shop in one of the photographs. It is no longer thatched and the frontage on the eastern side, behind the gentleman with an apron on, has been brought level with the frontage of the rest of the building; it is now No4 Town House.

P & L Bovington, brothers Paul and Les, ran a wet fish shop and sold groceries and can be seen outside their shop and inside talking with a USAF gentleman; RAF Brize Norton was a USAF base up to 1966. The third gentleman in the two photographs is Mr Wagner from the New Inn, now called the Morris Clown, who never missed an opportunity to be in a photograph. Long before it was P & L Bovington it was Stephens Grocery shop and then Mr Clark the shoe snob used the premises while his wife ran the grocery shop across the road.