

Oxfordshire

BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

High Street: No. 162

Work on the owners and occupiers of Burford's buildings was undertaken during 2003-6 as part of the Oxfordshire EPE project. The research accompanied the architectural investigations summarised on this website.

Standard sources included: census enumerators' books 1841-1901 in The National Archives; District Valuation assessments in Oxfordshire Record Office; printed trades directories including Kelly's Directory of Oxfordshire (1883-1939); RH Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession. In some cases lack of documentation prevents the building's history being taken back earlier than the 19th century. The research was carried out by RB Peberdy of VCH Oxfordshire.

OCCUPATION and USE

2003

Domestic use.

1935

Following death of John Horniman (1932), his executor, Midland Bank, sells the property to Revd Leonard Whitmill (curate of Burford 1934-7) (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1928

Alice East, second wife of Cilo East, assents to vesting of property in Alma and Florence, daus. of his first marriage. By a separate act, Alma and Florence sell the property to John Horniman of The Priory. Occupied by John Webb (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1917

Death of Cilo East, intestate; leaves widow Alice, and daus. Alma and Florence. Alice releases dower rights. Property occupied by John Webb (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1910

Owned by 'Cils' East; occupied by John Webb (DV Survey, ref. no. 460). [Note that property in DV Survey includes the buildings on both sides of the central passageway.]

1901

Probably occupied by: (a) Fanny Hall, charwoman (2 rooms); (b) Annie Webb (poultry dresser), 5 children (inc. butcher's boy, house boy) (4 rooms) (census, entries nos. 95—6).

1900

Death of Fanny East, owner; devised to Cilo Wilfred East; occupied by John Webb (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1891

Probably occupied by: (a) John Webb (general dealer), wife, 7 children (inc. 2 sons, general dealers; plough boy); (b) James Webb (retired agric. labourer), wife (census, entries nos. 103, 104).

1884

James Griffiths sells property to Fanny East. Described as a dwelling house, formerly three cottages (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1881

Probably occupied by James Griffith (cooper), wife (census, entry no. 115).

1871

Probably occupied by following two households: (a) Joseph Harrod (builder's labourer), wife (dressmaker), 4 children (inc. dau., servant, son, slater, plasterer's labourer); (b) John Pittaway (agric. lab.), wife, 3 children (census, entries nos. 112—13).

1871

Death of owner, Mary Fuler; property sold to Rebecca Griffiths (sister); described as now or late in occupation of Mark Forest and David Bailey (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1864

Probate of will of Jonathan Fuler (d. 1863); property purchased by dau. Mary Fuler; property described as 3 messuages, occupied by Charles Drew, -- Moss, and another (formerly John Fletcher, William James and Ann Beal) (private document; inf. from R. Moody).

1861

Probably occupied by following two households: (a) Mary Haynes (laundress, greengrocer), brother (carpenter); (b) Charles Drew (labourer), wife, 5 children (census, entries nos. 123—4).

1851

Probably occupied by following three households: (a) James Packer (agric. labourer), wife; (b) Charles Dewe (servant), wife, 5 children, brother-in-law; (c) Mary Fletcher (cordwainer's wife), dau. (census, 3rd part, entries nos. 59—61).

1842

John Fletcher listed under 'Boot and Shoe Makers' (Pigot's Dir.).

1841

Probably occupied by following three households: (a) Alfred Robins (tailor), wife, mother, 2 sons, apprentice; (b) Charlotte Masten (probably carpenter's widow), 3 children; (c) John Fletcher (shoemaker), wife, 5 children, mother (census, entries nos. 314—16).

1834

Charles Beal, yeoman, of Burford has inherited the property; he conveys it to Jonathan Fewler (Fuler), yeoman, of Burford; property is now three tenements, occupied by: John Fletcher, shoemaker; William James, stonemason; and Ann Beal, widow (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1778

John Beal transfers mortgage on property to John Mills, baker, of Burford; property is occupied by John Smith and William Turner (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1774

Edward Daniel, baker, of Burford conveys property to John Beal, yeoman, of Fulbrook. (Daniel was devisee in will of Charles King, deceased.) Property is occupied by John Smith and Elizabeth Faulkner (indicating that it has possibly been divided into two) (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1728

William and Elizabeth King convey property to their son Charles, subject to mortgage (provided by John Daniel, innholder, keeper of the Three Goats' Heads) (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1727

Property occupied by William King, tailor, and wife Elizabeth (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1692

Property occupied by William King (formerly the younger, now the elder); included in marriage settlement for union of William King jnr with Elizabeth Ley (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1685

Probably the messuage owned by William King (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 459).

1667

Edmond Gregory and George Smith of London convey property to William King jnr, tailor, of Burford; property is held by King's father, William King snr (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1657

Property is leased to William King, snr, for 21 years at £3 per year (private deed; inf. from R. Moody).

1652

Probably belonged to Edmond Gregory (formerly William Hewes), and held by William King (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 450).

PLOT INFORMATION

Measured by Oxfordshire Buildings Record. Frontage width (OBR measurement): ENTIRE WIDTH, 8.2 m. Length (map measurement): 60 m.
(S bay, 3.4 m., doorway, 1 m., N bay, 3.8 m.)

1999

Following the restoration and extension of c. 1928 the property occupies the full width of the original tenement plot and longer than the building shown in 1921.

1921

The property appears to have consisted of only the southern range of the 2003 property (including presumably the adjacent passageway).

Read more in the EPE book *Burford: Buildings and People in a Cotswold Town* by Antonia Catchpole, David Clark and Robert Peberdy (published 2008)

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