

# Oxfordshire

## BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

### High Street: No. 134: Holland's Yard

*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Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession.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

Note: Holland's Yard is named and placed at this location in the censuses for 1861-81. In 1851 tenements in Holland's Yard appear in a separate list, but were probably at this location. There are no households at this location in 1891 and 1901; the name reappears in 1901, but was attached to a yard probably behind No. 144 (q.v.).

#### Post-WWII

The yard was treated as adjacent to No. 134 (inf. from R. Moody).

#### 1881

The following two households, which precede the entry for Thomas Holland (No. 134 above), are listed under 'Holland's Yard' (census, entries nos. 99-100):

- (a) Ann Radburn (seamstress), dau. (seamstress).
- (b) George Marriott (tailor), wife, son-in-law.

#### 1871

The following three households, which precede the entry for Henry Holland (No. 134 above), are listed under 'Holland's Yard' (census, entries nos. 96-8):

- (a) Henry Bolter (agric. labourer), wife, dau.
- (b) Ann Radburn (housekeeper), 5 children (inc. 4 dressmakers).
- (c) Mary Carvey (laundress).

#### 1861

The following three households, which follow the entry for Henry Holland (No. 134 above), appear to belong to Holland's Yard (unnamed in census) (census, entries nos. 109-111):

- (a) Mary Watts (pauper), servant.
- (b) Henry Ruddle (groom and gardener), wife.

(c) Jesse Burge (labourer), wife, 2 children, sister.

#### 1851

The following three entries are listed under 'Hollands Yard' in separate list of three 'yards' (census, 3rd part, entries nos. 82--3, and note after 83):

- (a) Hannah Arkell (pauper farmer's wife), son.
- (b) William Watcraft (agric. labourer), son.
- (c) Uninhabited house.

#### 1841

[Apparently no households]

**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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