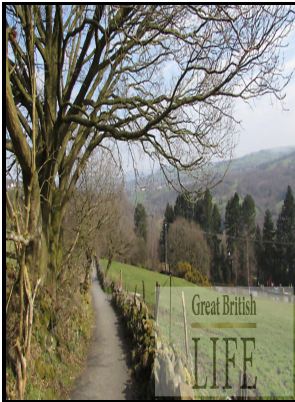


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He, however, had grander ideas. The building was completed in 1811 but improvements continued and in 1816 the peal of bells was delivered from St.

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We are also planning events and activities, a range volunteer opportunities, and work with schools and colleges to open up access to these magical places where the story of Oldknow and the role of Marple and Mellor in the Industrial Revolution will be brought to life. The rest of the line was fully closed in spring 1967, including the 1 in 8 Sheep Pasture Incline and the Hopton Incline.

### Revealing Oldknow's Legacy: What will we do?

Bike racks are available outside Marple Library. Oldknow's father, also called Samuel, moved to Anderton in Lancashire to study as a textile manufacturer and became settled there when he married a local girl, Margaret Foster. As no person attended from Macclesfield the branch to that town was dropped from the proposal.

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. The construction of Mellor Mill, which commenced in 1790, was a massive undertaking.

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He subsequently moved to the Manchester area where he became a cotton manufacturer and to enable him to do this he purchased a number of spinning mules that had been invented by Samuel Crompton in 1779.

### Revealing Oldknow's Legacy: What will we do?

The first part of the line from Cromford Wharf, by the Cromford Canal, to Hurdlow opened in 1830. The engagement was called off as his

business declined and Oldknow died a bachelor.

### **Revealing Oldknow's Legacy: What will we do?**

Animated with the most dutiful attachment to his King and a rooted veneration for our glorious constitution in church and state, he remained firm and unchanged in his principles under every political vicissitude. The two pounds of the canal are generally known as the Upper Peak Forest Canal and Lower Peak Forest Canal. Oldknow's fabrics were soon in great demand, particularly in fashionable London, where he developed a mutually beneficial business relationship and friendship with the merchant Samuel Salte.

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