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Cover Illustration: The cover of Baines' 1822 Directory of Yorkshire, which includes Saddleworth. (See the article above).

THE SADDLEWORTH 'DYNASTY' OF PARISH CLERKS

A parish clerk was appointed usually by the rector, vicar or curate, with the help of the churchwardens, to assist with the administration of the parish and the church functions, for which purpose he needed to be literate if not learned. By Tudor times he was sometimes elected by the parishoners, subject to the parson's veto. The appointment was for life and it was virtually impossible to sack him. The office of clerk in minor orders dates back to Saxon times and it survived the Reformation, albeit with slightly fewer functions (Ditchfield, 1907). Pre-Reformation they were sometimes poor scholars aspiring to the priesthood, and clergy sometimes bequeathed books or money to help them with their studies. By law the clerk must be over 20 years old and 'known to the parson as a man of honest conversation, and sufficient for his reading, writing and for his competent skill in singing.'

He kept the church clean, tended the lamps or candles, looked after the vestments and banners, and prepared the church for services. He rang the bell, chose and announced the hymns, chanted the psalms and led the responses, read the gospel and the epistle, conducted the choir and the musicians, if they existed. He sat at the base of the pulpit in a cassock or robe. An important duty was to teach reading, specially the Creed and Commandments, and singing to children, so they were often the village schoolmasters. Other duties included attending the priest on visits to the sick and dying, at funerals, weddings, baptisms and the churching of women; also the churchwardens when collecting alms for the poor.

Another duty was to help to keep the registers of marriages, baptisms and burials after the system was introduced into England by Thomas Cromwell in 1538 after the dissolution of the monasteries. This was usually done in draft by the clerk and then written up at intervals by the parson, a method which could easily lead to mistakes. The records were written originally on paper but a Church Law of Elizabeth in 1598 instructed parish clergy to copy previous records into a bound parchment book and to enter the week's records every Sunday. Unfortunately laws were often flouted in those days, as they are today, and parsons and clerks were careless, some even using old registers as scrap paper. During the Commonwealth, from 1653 - 60, an official called the Parish Register (ie Registrar) took over the registration duties of the clergyman.

Clerks usually received fees for each of their duties, though sometimes they were commuted for a regular wage paid out of the church rate (Tate, 1983). Sometimes, if the income were small, they received parish collections of a few pence per householder, and gifts in kind, such as eggs at Easter and barley at harvest. They were often provided with a garden and glebe land, and a rent-free house near the church. In many widespread parishes, including Saddleworth, this had an

adjacent hostelry where people from a distance could eat their lunches between morning and evening services and partake of the clerk's home-brewed ale. Farmers and shepherds often brought their dogs to church, so the clerk was often the 'dog-whipper', preventing fights; also the 'sluggard-waker', whose duty was to waken sleepers during the long sermons of the 18th century.

There is no record of the emoluments of the parish clerks of Saddleworth during the 16th to 18th centuries. Radcliffe (1891) gave those of Buckley Holden, Clerk, for the year 1828 as:

200 funerals @ 8d each, and 60 times for the hearse @2s	£12-13-4
60 marriages @ 6d and 5 by Licence @ 2s 6d	2- 2-6
Winding the clock and tolling for meetings	1-11-0
Lighting vestry fire and cleaning	2- 7-0
Cleaning plate and candlesticks and washing table cloths	1-17-6
Giving notices	5-0
	£20-16-4

Holden considered this sum to be inadequate for a year's duties and requested a salary to recompense him for his services on Sundays. Clerks were not always paid. In 1683 the incumbent Rev. John Lees recorded in shorthand: 'Joseph Loton married Mary Scolefield. Have nothing to pay the Clerk for this wedding, for I received but 18d.'

Ditchfield gave several instances of the clerkships becoming hereditary and quoted the Bramwell family of Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire, as a record of 223 years. This is equalled or exceeded by the Broadbent family of Saddleworth. Before 1591 there is no record of the names of the parish clerks appointed by the curates, who were themselves appointed by the incumbents of Rochdale parish. In that year William Ramsden's Manor Account Book lists James (1) Brodbente as Clerke, paying 12d as half-a-year's rent for his farm. It was probably his son Robert (1) Broadbent to whom the minister of Saddleworth, John Wild, bequeathed his books in 1592 (SHS Bulletin 18 (1), 7, 1988), and who was Clerk in 1623, being owed money in the Inventory of Edmund Shaw of Boarshurst. Another Inventory of a probable relative of James (1) is that of Robert Broadbent who died in 1604.

In view of the necessary training desirable for a parish clerk, and the future succession, it is possible that the John Broadbent mentioned as excommunicated (Radcliffe, 1891)

was James (1)'s son and brother of Robert (1); he was excommunicated on 26 March 1622/23 'for hewing the Church dore with an axe and making a hole therein'. John's two sons were excommunicated at the same time, Robert for 'readinge divine service in the absence of the Mynister without Lycense' and James 'for readinge the order of Buriall att the buryall of the dead and in the Church sometymes service, being a younge youth of XVI or XVII yeares of age'. Unless they were related to the Clerk and probably living in the same household, they would be unlikely to have the expertise to conduct these services, nor would the parishoners have agreed to them doing so. The first half of the 17th century was a time of religious dissension and it is possible that they had quarrelled with the Curate, the Rev James Savage, or else he was neglecting his duties. Whatever the cause, they were reported to the Bishop of Chester who excommunicated them for a period. They were 'named' in the parish church, openly during a service, as well as in the cathedral, and were supposed to be ostracised by other parishoners. The benefit of absolution was possible in three months if the excommunicated person reformed themselves. Ditchfield quotes several examples of parish clerks reading services when the parson was absent during Elizabethan to Stuart times, and of Bishops trying to stop the practice. Howcroft (1915) has these events under the Archdeacon's Visitation of 1612, misinterpreting Radcliffe (1891), where they are dated 26 March 1622/23. John is possibly the Johes Broadbent who was buried on 23 November 1639. The previously excommunicated James (2), born c 1605, is likely to have been the grandson of James (1) and to have followed Robert (1) as Parish Clerk from 1639 to 1662 (Radcliffe 1891, p 550). He also practised surgery under a Bishop's Licence, dying in 1664.

The Saddleworth parish clerks were tenants of a farm at c 850 - 900 feet, under the Lord of the Manor, known as Clerk(s) or Clarks, adjacent to St Chad's Church. In the 1770 Manor survey this was described as: 'An ancient House Consisting of 3 or 4 Bays of Building also a new House being 2 Bays with several Bays of Outhousing'. Obviously there was a hostelry as well as a house. There were 15 fields totalling 28 acres, 5 of them meadow (5.7 acres). The 1822 map shows the area divided into two holdings consisting of 20 and 5 enclosures respectively (Saddleworth Surveyed, SHS, 1983). A deed (AF 741) of 1746 records an agreement 'between 1) James Farrer of Ewood (ie the Lord of the Manor) and 2) Robert Broadbent (wife Jane) parish clerk of Saddleworth and James his son clothier concerning lease for 199 yr of messuage in tenure Robert Broadbent plus closes ... containg... 26a 2r 5p'. The remainder of the 28 acres plus 2 cottages had been leased to John Broadbent the previous year (deed SS994). In the Manor sale of 1791 Clarke's Tenement was sold with the Manor, and in 1793 (deed DN 197) was leased to James Broadbent.

Before 1721 the Saddleworth registers were kept at the Clerk's house instead of in the parish chest in the Church, as the 1538 law required. For 100 years after the restoration of Charles II the successive clerks kept the ale house at Clerks, which is probably one reason why the extant early records are discoloured or illegible and so many sheets are missing. Even parchment is not immune from ale stains. No doubt the Clerk in 1721 (James Broadbent) was reprimanded by the new Curate, the Rev John Heginbottom, for not only are the records complete from that date but also they are more informative. Thus instead of 'Mary, daughter of Robert Holden' (baptised on 18 February 1721), from then on are recorded items such as 'Mark, son of Thomas Bradbury, Clothier, and Dinah his wife, of Dig-leigh'.

As James was such a common Broadbent name, it is not possible to learn from the registers who James (2) married or what family he had. He was followed as Clerk by his son Robert (2) but there are difficulties in interpreting the registers. A Robert, son of James, was baptised on 26 August 1632 but this is unlikely to be Robert(2). There were three Robert Broadbents listed in the 1641/42 Protestation return of those males over 18 years old, two being alone and therefore probably heads of young households, the third listed next to James and so possibly his son. A Robertus Broadbent married Alcia Shaw on 31 January 1641/42 and this is probably Robert (2), then about 20 years old. The registers are very fragmentary for the 1640's and there is no record of children until 19 October 1654 when James (3) was born, and then John (1656), Margret (1657) and Maria (1663) were possibly his children. Radcliffe (1891) has James (3) baptised 17 September 1640 but this is not in the register.

Robert (2) was appointed Clerk on 20 August 1662 by the Curate, the Rev Ralph Wood. Radcliffe quoted him as mentioned in an agreement concerning the price of graves in 1672. He died in early January 1673/74 or in late December 1673, and his 'goods, chattolls and debts' were assessed by four neighbours on 16 January. Radcliffe (1891) had both dates of birth and death wrong. He was fairly well-to-do for those days and had lent money to 17 neighbours, as was the practice if one had spare cash. As became a clerk, he was unusual in having books, for most farmers were illiterate at that time. Like most of the Saddleworth farmers he also wove cloth, perhaps for his own family's clothes, but this was the beginning of the period when woollen manufacture took over from farming as the dominant occupation. He had only one loom and one linen wheel, and no great stock of wool, yarn or cloth. In the Hearth Tax returns for the years 1664, 1666, 1669/70 and 1672 there are two Robert Broadbents, one with one hearth in Shawmere and one in Lordsmere with three hearths during the first two returns and four during the later years. This is obviously the Clerk who was also the landlord of the hostelry, where the public rooms would require fires in cold weather. In 1669 Robt de Church paid tithe of 3s 4d for one acre of oats.

He was followed as Clerk by his son James (3), appointed 20 June 1674 by the Rev Dr John Wainwright, although John Lees was Curate. Again we do not know whom he married but Margaret

his wife was buried on 12 November 1724. The registers have the word 'cleric' against the baptisms of his children Robert(3) (1680), Anne (1682), James (1690), Eli (1691), Ruth (1694), John (1699) and Grace (1703). He kept the hostelry at Clerks and, as stated above, the registers suffered there until 1721. When buried on 4 May 1731 the register stated that he was Clerk 'above 58 years' and designated him 'Old James' - he was in his 77th year. Perhaps his son Robert (3) acted for him occasionally as he got older, for the register recorded for 3 February 1717, 'Sarah, fil Robert (Clerk)', and for 24 December 1719, 'John, fil Robert Broadbent (Clerk)'.

James (3)'s son John (1699-1769) was sexton or gravemaker for 48 years, wearing an official uniform of blue with scarlet facings, provided by the churchwardens every two or three years. Radcliffe (1887) quoted the following from his gravestone:

Fortyeight years, strange to tell,
He bare the Bier, and Toll'd the Bell;
And faithfully discharged his Trust,
In Earth to Earth and Dust to Dust.
Cease to lament, his life is spent,
The Grave is still his element.
His old friend Death knew 'twas his sphere,
So kindly laid the Sexton here.

He was also a clothier when he married Sarah Broadbent in 1722, with whom he had at least three daughters and a son.

Robert (3), baptised 9 November 1680, was, according to Radcliffe, appointed Clerk in 1731 by the Rev John Heginbottom, although as described above, he may have acted earlier. It is not known whom he married but he had a wife Jane in 1746 (deed AF 741). He had the following children: Robert (1698), John (1702), Anna (1704), all of whom were designated Clerk's children in 1723 or 1737. Radcliffe also lists Dinah (1707), James (1710), and Mary (1713), born during the period when records are missing. Then came Sarah (1717), John (1719) and Anna (1723). He also kept the inn at Clerks, and died in April 1748. His widow may have been the Jane buried in 1760.

He was followed by his son James (4), appointed by the same Curate in 1748. He was described as a clothier when he married Mary Bradbury in 1736, though he was later the last innkeeper at Clerks. He and Mary had a large family: John (1738), James (1739), Thomas (1741), James (1743), Hannah (1745), Joseph (1747), another Joseph (1749), Mary (1750), Benny (1752), Mary (1753), William (1756) and Sarah (1760). He died in July 1796, aged 86, having given up the Clerkship some time before that. His son James (1743-1820), yeoman and clothier, was still farming at Clark's when he made his Will in 1820. Despite having eleven children, this James' wife Sarah (Whitehead) lived until 75 years of age. It was his eldest son John, baptised on 6 December 1767, who followed his grandfather as Clerk, appointed in the early 1790's by the Curate, the Rev Charles Zouche, although he did not serve for a long period,

resigning in 1796. He married Mary Wood (1767-1798) in 1789, by whom he had eight children; after she died he married Mary Radcliffe (1768-1845), by whom he had another five. Radcliffe wrote that he was noted for his expertise in engraving gravestones. He died in 1838.

In November 1796 the Vicar of Rochdale, the Rev Thomas Drake (Sequestrator of Saddleworth during Charles Zouche's illness) appointed the last of the Broadbent Clerks, Isaac, who lived at Uppermill, not at Clerks. He served for ten years, resigning in 1806. He was the son of James and Anne, born in 1752 at Thurstones, but it is not clear how he was related to the Clerks family because of the 1705-1715 gap in the register records. It is likely that James Broadbent of Hollingreave who married Anne Shaw of Halls in 1749 was his father after they had settled at Thurstones. This James (1729-1781) was the son of Jonah and Ann (Wood) of Thurstones. Jonah might possibly have been the child of Robert (3). Isaac Broadbent of Uppermill was drowned in the River Tame, aged 67, and buried at Lydgate in 1820; his wife Jane died in 1832 aged 75.

Though they ceased to be the Clerks of the Parish, some of the Broadbents continued to live at Clerks as clothiers and small farmers well into the 19th century, eg Joseph (1790-1862) and Mary (Scholefield). He was a grandson of James (4). In 1887 Radcliffe commented that the old house that had been the inn was ruinous and had not been inhabited for many years. Presumably they lived in the new house mentioned in the 1770 Manor survey. The Julian Hunt Collection of the Saddleworth Archives describes this as a two-storey stone farmhouse, barn attached, the first floor rebuilt. The occupiers of the house and/or land in the 1852 Church Rate book were James, Charles, John, Ralph and Joseph Broadbent. John was a stone engraver. Ralph, clothier, was still there for the 1871 Census.

In summary:

<u>Broadbent</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Clerk Dates</u>
James (1)	?	1590/1591
Robert (1)	?	1623
James (2)	c1605-c1664	1639-1662
Robert (2)	c1620-1674	1662-1674
James (3)	1654-1731	1674-1731
Robert (3)	1680-1748	1731-1748
James (4)	1710-1796	1748-c1790
John	1767-1838	c1790-1796
Isaac	1752-1820	1796-1806

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Leonard Broadbent



SADDLEWORTH CHURCH.

THE EARLY NINETEENTH CENTURY TRADE DIRECTORIES FOR SADDLEWORTH

The growth and expansion of industry in the early nineteenth century brought with it the growth and expansion of the Trade Directory. Examples can be found from 1677 for London (Norton 1950) and for Manchester from 1772. The earliest example for Saddleworth seems to be in Wilkes' Universal British Directory, 1793. Here Saddleworth is appended to the entry for Huddersfield and the listing is fairly brief, as might be expected from a national directory. Soon county and regional directories began to appear and it is these which are most useful for the local historian. Saddleworth is particularly fortunate. Being within Yorkshire, but near to Manchester, it falls into the directories for both areas. In addition Saddleworth merchants attending market at Huddersfield and Manchester are listed under those towns.

To those interested in tracing industrial and commercial development the directories are a major source and they have been used for this purpose elsewhere (Wilde 1976). However the directories do not give a comprehensive picture. The 1821 census for Saddleworth gave 2132 people engaged in occupations whilst Baines 1822 lists under 552. The directories will always understate the numbers in each occupation. Thus in 1814-15 Wardle & Bentham list 16 cotton spinners whilst Wardle, Pigot & Pratt only two years later list 45. This inconsistency continues with the more comprehensive, later, directories eg White 1842 lists 38 beerhouses but Pigot and Slater 1841 list 54; even so White includes 14 who are missing from Pigot and Slater. They may also be inaccurate in retaining an entry after the business has ceased trading. The directories are essentially commercial and therefore tend to leave out occupations such as farming (Fox and Fox 1987). The 1821 census indicates 28 farmers but it is not until 1837 that they appear in a directory. White 1837 lists 16 and rising to 29 in 1842, but Whelan 1852 lists only 12. The 1841 census shows 130 farmers although clearly these will include family members of the same business. They do, however, provide information for poorly recorded occupations such as quarrying, Baines 1822 listing three stone merchants. Nor will the directories show the weavers who were not large enough to trade themselves but who make up the majority of the 1417 classified as "woollen and cloth manufacture" and who constitute 35% of the adult male working population of 4107 in 1841. Similarly for cotton, whilst the census indicates 706 adult males working in the industry, White 1842 lists only 42 cotton manufacturers. The directories are, however, a major source of information for the textile industry as they do list the majority of businesses and give a detailed sub-classification into the various branches of the industry. Other occupations seem to have been reasonably well-recorded, as clearly it was in the interest of anyone in business to be in the Directory.

Despite these reservations, from 1822 the standard set by Baines is maintained and the directories give a reasonable

indication of the main businesses. It is likely that the Saddleworth listing was the work of the Oldham journalist Edwin Butterworth, who was employed by Baines as a correspondent in the area. Baines also employed William White who later, on his own, produced the major West Yorkshire directory. He assured users of his diligence in gathering information even though "some of the remote districts had to be surveyed when little but snow and ice met the view" (Norton 1950).

Directories are a major source for family historians, being more frequent than the census and more informative on occupation than the land tax returns. They can often indicate when someone set up business or moved abode or came into the area.

For the economic historian directories will often give more detail of the occupation than the census aggregates eg whilst the census indicates 17 men in the grouped category "Painter, Plumber, Glazier", White separates painters. Pigot and Slater indicate that Josiah Lawton of Dobcross was also a shopkeeper and Joseph Shaw of Delph also a plasterer. Similarly whilst the census records 83 "Boot and Shoemakers", White lists 29 and also three cloggers, John Buckley of Uppermill being in both categories, as was Abraham Gartside of Greenfield, listed only in Pigot and Slater. In some trades it seems a secondary occupation was common. Again the directories are more informative than the census in that they will give double occupations. White 1842 lists 37 (male) beerhouse keepers and 45 inns and taverns but the census gives only 15 and 35. John Bowden of Dobcross was both a beerhouse keeper and a shoemaker and Robert W Cooper was both a woollen manufacturer and the innkeeper of the Cross Keys, Delph.

If more than one directory for nearby years exists both should be consulted: although Pigot and Slater 1841 only list 40 beerhouses and inns they include 12 not found in White 1842.

The directories can be used to trace the increasing sophistication of the local economy, providing an increasing range of goods and services for industry and the consumer. Already in 1814 Wardle and Bentham list attornies and surgeons, in 1822 Baines lists porter, and earthenware dealers; in 1834 insurance agents appear, followed in 1842 by accountants.

In addition to the trade listings most directories contain a brief history (often repeating previous directories) as well as information about the public institutions such as churches, mechanics' institutes, postal services etc.

There are two major sources for locating directories: Tupling (1968) lists all the Lancashire directories for the period 1684-1957 and Shaw (1989) lists all directories nationally for the period 1850-1950. Manchester Central Reference Library has a large collection of local directories and has microfilm copies of those it lacks.

There is no West Yorkshire listing of directories. The main libraries all have collections and some, such as Halifax, have produced a handlist. A listing of the Yorkshire directories

has been compiled, based on the holdings of the local libraries. It does not claim to be complete and the writer would welcome any further information.

Neil Barrow



EDWIN BUTTERWORTH

<u>Yorkshire Directories to 1850 which include Saddleworth</u>		<u>Location</u>
Wardle and Bentham	Yorkshire 1814-15 p201-02	TS
Wardle, Pratt and Pigot	Yorkshire 1816-17 p295-97	TS
Pigot and Dean	Yorkshire 1818-20 p405-07	H
Baines	Yorkshire Vol II 1822 p263-71 Reprinted David & Charles 1969	M
Pigot	Yorkshire 1828 p1057-61	M
Parson and White	Borough of Leeds and the Clothing Districts 1830 p508-11	L
White	Leeds and the Clothing Districts 1833 p262-71	S
Pigot	Yorkshire 1834 p906-11	H
White	West Riding Vol II 1837 p334-42 (1838 edition is the same)	H
Robson	Commercial Directory 1840-41 Vol II p169-73	C
Pigot	Commercial Directory 1841 p288-94	C
White	Commercial Directory 1842 p496-500	L
White	Leeds and the Clothing Districts 1847 p529-33	L
Slater	Yorkshire 1848 p1329-34	H

Locations

C Calderdale	H Huddersfield	L Leeds
M Manchester	S Sheffield	TS Tameside

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High Sarah, widow, (F.) *Cornfalter*
 Hanson Abraham, (F.) *Stone-merchant*
 Harrison John and Co. *Merchants*
 Helm Thomas, (F.) *Merchant*
 Hobson Joseph, (F.) *Tanner*
 Holroyd William, (F.) *Manufalter*
 Hudson John, *Malger*
 Kaye Robert, *Merchant*
 Lockwood Benjamin, (F.) *Merchant*
 Marshall John, *Tanner*
 Mellor James, (F.) *Dry-falter*
 Midwood James, (F.) *Manufalter*
 Milner John, *Woolflapler*
 Mitchell Edward, *Merchant*
 Newton William, *Dry-falter*
 Rhodes John, (F.) *Manufalter*
 Roberts George, (F.) *Dry-falter*
 Rieback John, (F.) *Manufalter*
 Rollinton George, (F.) *Ditto*

A short distance from Huddersfield is the district of Saddleworth, of which place the following are the principal inhabitants:

C L E R G Y.

Beckett Rev. Jn. *Minister of Holy Chapel*
 Buckley Rev. Mr. *Minister of Haght Chapel*
 Seddon Rev. Thomas, M. A. *Minister of Lydiate Chapel*
 Taylor Rev. Edward, *Curate of Saddleworth Church*
 Wrigley Rev. Miles, M. A. *Minister of Doctrofs Chapel*
 Physic.
 Waterhouse Ja. *Surgeon & Apothecary*
 Law.
 Ingham James, *Attorney*
 Traders, Kc.
 Bell William, *Banker*
 Bradbury Thomas and Son, *Merchants and Manufalturers*
 Bradbury Thomas, *Manufalter*
 Broadbent Ja. *Linin-droper and Grocer*
 Broadbent John, *Manufalter*
 Buckley Bottomley, *Ditto*
 Buckley Henry, (F.) *Ditto*
 Buckley Henry, (F.) *Merchant and Manufalter*
 Buckley James, (F.) *Manufalter*
 Buckley John, James, and Co. (F.) *Merchants and Manufalturers*
 Buckley John, (F.) *Merchant and Manufalter*
 Buckley Robert, (F.) *Manufalter*
 Buckley William, (F.) *Merchant and Manufalter*
 Farland Cornelius, *Butcher*
 Gifford Abraham, *Manufalter*
 Gifford Jn. *Merchant & Manufalter*

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Rhodes James, *Manufalter*
 Rhodes John and William, (F.) *Ditto*
 Rhodes Thomas, (F.) *Ditto*
 Roberts John and Son, (F.) *Merchants and Manufalturers*
 Savile Peter, *Manufalter*
 Schofield Benjamin, *Ditto*
 Schofield John, (F.) *Ditto*
 Shaw Giles and Sons, (F.) *Merchants and Manufalturers*
 Shaw John, (F.) *Shoemaker*
 Shaw Joseph, *Grocer*
 Shaw John, *Manufalter*
 Smith John, (F.) *Dry-falter*
 Stork, Blyth, and Nowet, *Merchants and Manufalturers*
 Sykes John, *Manufalter*
 Taylor Joseph and Sons, *Merchants*
 [N. B. In each of the foregoing lists, by the profession of *Merchant, and Manufalter, and Manufalter*, is to be understood *Woolen-cloth Merchant and Manufalter.*]

H U N G E R F O R D, B E R K S.

HUNGERFORD (said by Camden to have been anciently called Ingledford Charnam-fire) is a small clean town, situated near, though not directly

A reproduction of what is probably the earliest entry for Saddleworth in a trade directory. Taken from Champante's Britannia, Vol 3, 1793 - Leeds Ref.

ROCHDALE, &c

SADDLEWORTH.

CHERRY CLOUGH, BENT-FIELD, DEAR-HY-NOOK, HOASHUHST, CASTLE SHAW,
HERBY CLOUGH, BELPI, NEW BELPI, DICEE, DOBROGS, GRAINS-B-B, GRASS-
CROFT, CHENFIELD, HEATHFIELD, HIGH MOOR, HOLIN GROVE, JUNCTION, LUGATE
PO-GREEN, QUICK, SADDLEWORTH FOLD, SHAW HALL, SHEDDENLOW, SPRINGFORD,
NEW TALE, TALE WATER, THURSTONS, THURSTON CLOUGH, TUNSTEAD, UPPER MILL,
WALL-FIELD, WOOD BROOK, WOOL ROAD, &c.

POPULATION.	1821.	1831.	Increase
	Saddleworth, with Quick..... <i>chapelry</i>	13,902	15,986

DIFFER. April 24th, July 9th, and September 24th.
DATE LOSS, second Thursday in March and last Thursday in July.
IN 1-1119, Thursday before Easter Sunday.
THIRTEEN MONTHS, Wednesday in Whitson week and first Wednesday in October.

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SADDLEWORTH, &c

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STAIR BRIDGE

of Dorking, partly in the township of Haslemere, partly in that of Dorking, partly of Stockport, and partly in that of Stubbington, and its population is returned with these several townships.

Martha Day Saturday, Feb. 8, Easter Monday and November 24.

POST OFFICE. Hasbottom-street, John Cheetham, *Post Master*.—Letters from Manchester and all parts arrive every morning at ten and evening at six, and are despatched every afternoon at four and night at nine.

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SADDLEWORTH.

SADDLEWORTH-cum-Quirk is a mountainous township and parochial chapelry, in the parish of Roodale, but in the Upper Division of Agri-tug Wapentake, and West Riding of Yorkshire, where the latter joins the counties of Lancashire and Chester. It extends from 8 to 14 miles S.W. of Huddersfield, and from 4 to 10 miles N.E. of Oldham, comprising nearly 80,000 acres of land, of which only about 11,000 acres are enclosed. It is extremely engaged in the cotton and woollen manufactures, and increased its population from 10,663, in 1801, to 15,856, in 1831; and to 16,829 souls, in 1841. It contains many villages and hamlets, (as enumerated below,) and is divided into four considerable wickets, called *Shaw, Quirk, Frier, and Lords Meres*, which maintain their poor under Gilbert's Act, and form a registration district, in which there were 3067 inhabited houses, 565 empty and 19 building, when the census was taken, in 1841. Though a rugged alpine region, there is a great deal of good grazing land in the valleys, and on the declivities. The Huddersfield Canal extends through it, and passes under the lofty ridge of Saddle, through a tunnel, nearly three miles long. The church and hamlet of Saddleworth are near the centre of the township, 13 miles S.W. of Huddersfield. The principal villages are DOBROSS and DELPH, distant a mile from each other, and from 8 to 6 miles N.E. of Oldham; JUNCTION, 8 miles N. of Delph; and UPPA MILL, 1 mile S.E. of Dobross. The others are scattered through the picturesque valleys, in which are many large cotton mills, &c. The Church (St. Chad) has undergone many repairs. Its tower was rebuilt in 1746, and the body was enlarged and mostly rebuilt in 1830-3. Here are also three chapels of ease, viz., *St. Anne's*, at Lydgate; *Trinity*, at Dobross; and *St. Thomas's*, at the Heights, in Frier Mere. The Vicar of Roodale is patron of the four curacies. The Independents and the Wesleyan, N.C. and Primitive Methodists, have chapels at Delph, Upper Hill, Springfield, and Bagbury. Fairs are held at Delph, on April 24th, July 9th, and Sept. 24th; at Dobross, on the 2nd Thursday in March, and last Thursday in July; at Uppa Mill, on the Wednesday in Whitman week, and the first Wednesday in October; and at Benfield, on the Tuesday before Easter. At Delph, is a subscription library, established in 1816, and *Goworks*, constructed in 1838. Saddleworth was anciently a desolate forest, and tradition says it was once sold for a *sedder*, but it is more probable that it derived its name from the form of one of its mountain ridges. In the following DIRECTORY OF SADDLEWORTH, those marked 1, reside at

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Austerlands, 3 Bagbury, 3 Baswick, 4 Bleakley-Nook, 3 Boothurst, 6 Broadfield, 7 Brook Bottom, 8 Carr, 9 Carr Hill, 10 Chalkley, 11 Cherry Cough, 12 Cross, 13 Dale, 14 Dean Head, 15 New Delph, 16 DELPH, 17 Denmark, 18 Diggle, 19 Diggle Bridge, 20 Diggle, 21 DOBROSS, 22 Doctor Lane, 23 Fairbairn, 24 Fearnley, 25 Fearnley, 26 FRIAR MERES, or Heights Chapel, 27 Fir Lane, 28 Gains, 29 Garside, 30 Grasscroft, 31 Greenfield, 32 Harrop Green, 33 Heathfield, 34 Heybank, 35 HEY CHAPEL, 36 Hollin Grove, 37 JUNCTION, 38 Knowle, 39 Lacey, 40 Lee Cross, 41 Lees, 42 Lindley, 43 Lydgate, 44 Mania, 45 Marland, 46 Ox Hey, 47 New Tame, 48 Old Tame, 49 Fob-green, 50 Primrose, 51 QUICK, 52 Quick Edge, 53 Quick View, 54 Ridge, 55 Road End, 56 Royal George Mills, 57 Running Hill, 58 SADDLEWORTH Church, 59 Saddleworth Fold, 60 Scout-head, 61 Shaw Hall, 62 Shaw, 63 Skelton, 64 Springfield, 65 Star-adon, 66 Stonebriest, 67 Stones, 68 Stonehead, 69 Stiles, 70 TAMESWATER, 71 Thurston Crough, 72 Thurston, 73 Turners, 74 Uppa Mill, 75 Walbith, 76 Wetherhead at Mill, 77 Wether, 78 Wellfield, 79 Woodbrook, 80 Wood Mills, 81 Wood Road, and 82 at Well Hole.

For Overseers, at John Brook's, Delph; at Mary Harrop's, Dobross; and at Samuel Buckley's, Uppa Mill. Letters despatched at half past 1 afternoon, and 6 evening.

74 Adshend George, gentleman
2 Andrew Matthew & Robert, gent.
16 Bell Mrs S. 46 Broadbent Mrs H.
68 Blake Rev Walter, B.A. curate
23 Bradbury Thomas, cattle dealer
16 Brierley James, engineer
81 Brookbank Samuel, wharfinger
16 Brook John, printer, bookbinder,
and registrar, Stamp Office
73 Buckley James, Esq. Holycroft

63 Buckley Gamaliel, gentleman
6 Buckley Hugh, merchant and mfr
17 Butterworth Edm. & Son, calico
printers, Denham/Fale-Priniffrs
43 Cawell Rev Geo. cur. of Lydgate
16 Douglas Samuel, mail rig driver
42 Fielder Frederick, wool carder
16 Gardner Rev Fras. incumbent of
Frier Mere; b. Frier Lodge
Garside Abraham, yarn mfr. Slack

17 Garside John, gentleman
Hall James, gentleman, Sherbrook
18 Hall Jph. Whitehead, paper mfr
70 Harrop Charles, gentleman
70 Harrop Joseph, dyewaller
21 Harrop Joseph, sup. registrar
21 Hestlegrave Jph. land surveyor
16 Holroyd Rev John (Indep. min.)
21 Hutchinson Eliz. bookseller and
milliner
15 Kenworthy Edward, gentleman
51 Kenworthy Mrs Sophia
21 Kerhaw Geo. R., Jas. and J. H.
bank clerks
21 Kerhaw Sarah, druggist, &c.
16 Lawton Mrs J. 74 Lees Mrs M.
16 Masley James, tin plate worker
71 Mellor Wm. head and slay mkr
21 Mills Rev Thos. Sturges, incum-
bent of Dobross
74 Pilling John, coal dealer
33 Platt Ammon and John, gent.
74 Platt John, earthenware dealer
74 Platt Jesse, manager
16 Platt William, constable
81 Platt William, engineer
16 Preston John M. druggist
37 Radcliffe Miss Hannah
57 Radcliffe John, gov. Poorhouse
41 Rastrick James, canal engineer
16 Roberts John, gentleman
21 Saddleworth Banking Company,
(draw on Glyn, Halifax, Mills, &
Co.) Robert Shaw, manager
31 Saengs' Hank, (open every Sat.,
from 6 to 6 evening.) Jph. Thorne-
ton, secretary
70 Schofield Jas. head & slay mkr
21 Schofield Jonas, doffin plate mkr
16 Schofield & Mills, bakestone mks
16 Shaw Jas. plasterer, & Mrs Ann
16 Shaw Jonathan, hair dresser
21 Shaw Robert, bank manager
74 Shaw Thomas, bank clerk
21 Taylor Jph. gent. & 71 Mrs E.
Turner Thomas, gentleman, Wibley
16 Turner John, fine driver
74 Turner Rev R. (Indep. min.)
47 Wetherhouse Fras. bookkeeper
56 Whitehead Heywood, merchant
30 Whitehead Fk. mort. & Mrs S. M.
16 Whitehead William, confectoner
16 Whitehead John, engraver
21 Whitehead John, plasterer
58 Whitehead Rev R. M. A. mch.
64 Williamson Robert, bookkeeper
69 Winterbottom Robt. veltreteen mfr

84 Winterbottom Thomas, cattle dir
16 Wood —, saddler
74 Wrigley Joshua, constable, &c
65 Wrigley St. gent. & 79 1/2, gent.
INNS AND TAVERNS.
48 Bay Horse, James Kerhaw
15 Bell Inn, (posting) Ricb'd. Steel
26 Board, James Brierley
16 Bull's Head, Thomas Shaw
74 Commercial Inn, Jas. Kenworthy
Cotton Tree, Jn. Bradbury, *Hiding*
58 Cross Keys, George Knight
71 Cross Keys, R. Whitehead Cooper
74 Dog and Partridge, Jph. Ashton
61 Farrar's Arms, John Smith
34 Fleece, John Hockley
48 Fleece, Benjamin Law
39 Floating Light, Johnuy Wrigley
77 Gate, John Bradbury
39 Globe, Joseph Shaw
63 Hardman's Arms, John Smith
74 Hare & Hounds, Seth Hawkyard
74 Hotel, Wm. Broadbent
37 Junction, Henry Hitchliffe
51 King's Head, Jph. Heginbottom
56 King William, John Bottomley
74 Marquis of Grady, Jph. Ashton
81 Navigation Inn, H. B. McKinnell
68 New Inn, John Andrew
19 Nugder Inn, Ann Schofield
81 Packet Boat, Wm. Holden
16 Packhorse, Joseph Garside
43 Ram, Thomas Robinson
69 Roebuck, Sarah Radcliffe
65 Rope and Anchor, Wm. Rhodes
16 Rose and Crown, Sarah Wrigley
36 Royal Oak, James Bottomley
2 Sheave, John Smith
78 Star, Molly Wrigley
37 Sun, Joseph Smith
16 Swan, Henry Blackburn
21 Swan-with-Two-Necks, Thomas
Lawton
76 Temple Inn, Mary Schofield
1 Three Crowns, Mary Ann Rhodes
39 Victoria, John Bottomley
Wagon and Horses, John Murga-
troyd, *Calif Hey*
43 White Hart, Abraham Wood
16 White Lion, Wm. Whitehead
43 Woodman, John Beaumont
21 Woolpack, Sally Wrigley
BEEHIVES.
21 Brierley Hugh
Aked Nathaniel
16 Anderson Jph.
21 Bowden John
74 Bradbury Kph

60 Croaley Elijah	1 Driver Mathw.	1 Tellow John	41 Lawton John
48 Dransfield Wm	4 Marden John	1 Tellow Robert	76 Lees & Mills
18 Fisher John	<i>Blacksmiths, &c.</i>	76 Wroe Joseph	56 Lees Thomas
34 Gartside Abm.	2 Ainley Samuel	<i>clovers.</i>	35 Rhodes James
65 Gartside John	37 Andrew Daal.	74 Buckley John	63 Robinson Jno.
3 Greaves James	19 Cardwell Jph.	16 Jackson Thos.	79 Robinson Jno.
16 Henderson Jph	21 Hall Isaac	37 Turner Richd.	and Sons
17 Hill Abraham	74 Heaton Saml.	<i>clothes dressers</i>	63 Robinson Sml.
55 Hinchiff Jno.	48 Holroyd John	Broadbent Giles	51 Seal James
1 Kay Joseph	55 Peaker Chas.	and Joseph,	76 Shaw Giles &
16 Kenworthy H.	16 Schofield Miles	<i>Court mill</i>	Brothers
23 Kershaw John	and Son	16 Clifton Jonth.	66 Whitehead R.
17 Kershaw Saml.	77 Slater Mathw.	Fisher Hy. Wedd	(and linen)
31 Lawton Jph.	17 Switendbank	<i>mill</i>	60 Wrigley Sml.
31 Matthews Jph.	W.	21 Hellwell Sol.	and Brothers
22 Pillington Jas.	6 Warburton Kz.	Horsfall Michl.	43 Wrigley Th.
81 Reynolds Hy.	21 Whitehead T.	<i>Horrocks Mill</i>	dyers.
35 Schofield Tom	4 Wrigley Wm.	21 Jones Peter	74 Buckley John
16 Shaw Betty	<i>Booky Shoe Mkr</i>	Lees Benj. and	B. and Co.
34 Swindell John	74 A vision Jth.	Samuel, Knarr	21 Eastwood Wm.
1 Turner Ralph	2 Barker John	<i>mill</i>	80 Kenworthy Fx
22 Waring John	16 Barker Wm.	74 Mills John	16 Rhodes James
23 Waring Jph.	2 Bennett Wm.	70 Mills Thomas	and Sons
48 Waring Wm.	2 Bottomley Edw.	74 Platt Ammon	74 Robinson Wm.
31 Wood James	81 Bowden John	74 Schofield W. K	65 Whitehead W.
11 Wood John	16 Bradbury Jane	43 Shaw John	2 Wrigley Benj.
21 Wood John	16 Broadbent Sid	coal owners.	1 Wrigley Har-
74 Woolley John	16 Buckley Geo.	34 Evans Richd.	rop & Joseph
65 Wrigley Jhny.	74 Buckley John	34 Kenworthy Jh.	<i>raw w.</i>
<i>ACADEMIES.</i>	16 Buckley Jph.	69 Lees and Co.	Bentley John,
<i>take Boarders.</i>	21 Burgess Geo.	60 Mills & Wood	Sandbed
Broadbent Ralph,	21 Crowther Amb	60 Taylor, Son,	23 Bradbury Jas.
<i>Spring Hill</i>	16 Crowther Th.	and Gibson	11 Brerley John
43 Browne Wm	2 Harris Isaac	<i>Cotton spinners</i>	16 Broadbent Jne.
Hy. Croft Head	16 Hollingshead J	<i>ore Mfr. also,</i>	Buckley Benj.
<i>Hall</i>	16 Hudson Wm.	7 Andrew Giles &	Buckley John
6 Firth Wm.	21 Lawton Jph.	Mark	Buckley Robert
43 Gorton James	16 Lees John	41 Andrew Hugh	Coates Joseph
1 Harrop Misses	41 Matthew Jno.	Beaumont	Eiden John
<i>Upper House</i>	16 Nutter Wm.	Mayall, Bros.	Gartside James
17 Hoyle Wm.	82 Rowbottom J.	1 Beaumont W.	Gartside John
16 Holroyd Rev. J.	21 Schofield Jno.	4 Booth and Surr	28 Gartside Sml.
16 Kookin John	76 Shaw John	Bramall George,	23 Hall James
10 Thornton Jph.	16 Soillit Wm.	<i>Charlotte Mill</i>	17 Lawton Betty
74 Tweedale Jph.	74 Wild Joseph	31 Buckley Edw.	Lees Joseph
16 Whithead W.	2 Wood Betty	and Richard	3 Mills Samuel
<i>ATTORNEYS.</i>	2 Wood Radcliffe	70 Buckley Chas. J.	21 Pogson Abm.
<i>are American</i>	<i>Butchers.</i>	9 Buckley Nath.	Radcliffe James
<i>Ice Consls.</i>	55 Buckley Jas.	and Sons	57 Radcliffe Joh.
16 Ainley Edw.	43 Claxton Isaac	35 Dunkerley Jn.	67 Radcliffe Jph.
16 Ainley St. H.	74 Farrand Wm.	48 Heginbottom	67 Stott Savile
16 Ainley J. E.	81 Garratt John	W. & Brothers	Schofield Ann
<i>AUCTIONEERS.</i>	74 Harrop Jph.	43 Hilton J. & Co.	21 Smith Joseph
74 Buckley J. W.	16 Kenworthy H.	2 Kershaw Chas.	17 Travis Robt.
16 Blackburn Ed.	16 Shaw Thomas	and Sons	

Wood Giles	28 Smith James	31 Bottomley Jas.	64 Taylor Wm. &
11 Wood Simeon	29 Smith James	55 Bradbury Jno.	Son
17 Wood Wm.	74 Tys Jonth.	81 Bradbury Jno.	55 Whitehead D.
Wrigley J. Slack	78 Waring Mary	73 Bradbury J. W.	73 Whitehead J.
<i>STANLEY MPES</i>	61 Whitehead W.	73 Bradbury B.	55 Whitehead R.
76 Cooper James	1 Wild Isaac	and T.	21 Whitehead W.
76 Greaves Robt.	68 Wood Abrah.	Broadbent Jas.	Winterton J.
Schofield John	43 Wood Robert	Broadbent Jph.	55 Winterton J.
<i>crocers, &c.</i>	17 Wrigley Ann	New Barn	John
9 Andrew Thos.	37 Wrigley John	20 Broadbent Wm.	24 Winterton
48 Beacock Eliz.	75 Wrigley John	21 Buckley Jas.	Samuel
21 Brerley Hugh	<i>IRONMONGERS.</i>	6 Buckley John	33 Wood James
30 Broadbent Jas.	74 Fletcher M.	and Sons	50 Wright James
16 Broadbent Jno.	16 Nutter Richd.	Buckley & Law-	10 Wrigley Benj.
Buckley and	16 Tys Joseph	son, Stubbins	34 Wrigley J. B.
Brerley	4 Anderson John	8 Clifton John	and Thomas
16 Buckley Loas.	74 Beasley W.	21 Fielder A. &	<i>PAINTERS.</i>
78 Buckley Jas.	3 Lawton Wm.	Co.	16 Hudson Dawk
21 Buckley Ralph	16 Taylor Moses	21 Haigh Benj.	21 Lawton Josiah
74 Buckley L. &	81 Ukin Isaac	16 Hastings Rd.	74 Platt Jph.
Co.	77 Whitehead R.	10 Kenworthy S.	Plumbers & Glaz
21 Buckley Wm.	74 Eyre Thos.	4 Kenworthy W.	16 Hudson David
22 Collins Geo.	16 Garratt John	51 Kenworthy W.	16 Tys Jph.
16 Covert W. F.	61 Gartside Isaac	21 Lawton Benj.	<i>Rope and Twine</i>
74 Eyre Thos.	55 Gartside Jno.	Lawton J.	<i>Maters.</i>
16 Garratt John	Gartside Wm.	16 Lawton Ralph	76 Beaumont Rt.
16 Gartside Isaac	76 Greaves Mally	and Co.	1 Turner & Daw-
55 Gartside Jno.	21 Haigh John	74 Buckley John	son
16 Heywood Jas.	74 Harrop Robt.	21 Buckley Har.	<i>Scribbling & Put-</i>
Thomas	48 Heginbottom	16 Cowper W. F.	<i>ting Millers.</i>
1 Heywood Jph.	21 Houghton Jph.	2 Dyson Robert	Blackburn John,
21 Houghton Jph.	16 Kenworthy Jas.	16 Hall John	Gatehead mill
21 Lawton Mary	16 Lees B. & M.	21 Hesse Greave	Broadbent G. &
16 Lees B. & M.	3 Lees Joseph	Joseph	J. Court Mill
16 Mellor Ralph	53 Mitchell Jph.	16 Roberts Sarah	16 Rhodes James
16 Nutter Richd.	74 Platt George	& Betty, (and	and Sons
16 Preston J. M.	16 Preson J. M.	<i>are Millers.</i>	15 Rhodes Wm.
60 Radcliffe Jno.	21 Hall Isaac	21 Chadwick A.	16 Rhodes Wm.
4 Rhodes John	21 Hall John &	31 Farrand Jn.	4 Roberts Abm.
69 Rhodes John	James	10 Schofield Hd.	36 Roberts John
Saville Mark	16 Hall Jonth.	36 Schofield Jno.	Schofield J. Moor
30 Schofield Jas.	2 Robinson J. & E.	22 Shaw Abel	croft
10 Schofield Jno.	<i>MERCHANTS &</i>	74 Shaw Giles &	13 Shaw John
82 Schofield Jno.	<i>WOOLLEN MPES</i>	Co.	Shaw and Wood,
21 Shaw John	4 Aled Thomas	68 Shaw James	Thornes clough
74 Shaw Joseph	21 Bent Buckley	13 Shaw John	55 Whitehead Jn.
16 Shaw Robert	77 Bottomley J.	64 Shaw Stephen	and Co
and M.	and M.	Buckley Thomas	<i>Stone Masons and</i>
16 Bottomley J.		16 Shaw Wm.	<i>Quarry Owners.</i>
			21 Hook Amos
			Buckley Wm.
			22 Collins Geo.

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LETTERS

A Father's Letter to his Sons in 1874

Mr Ivan Hirst of Marsden has kindly shown me a copy of a letter which was originally sent by Mr W D Hall, paper manufacturer of Diggle, to his sons at Harrow School in 1874. Penned on headed paper used by the firm, it reads as follows:-

Memorandum

From: W. D. Hall, Paper Manufacturer DIGGLE & YEW TREE MILLS NEAR MANCHESTER	To: Marshall and Stanley of Diggle at Harrow
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April 30th 1874

My Very Dear Lads,

I am glad to hear you are well and improving in your learning, don't neglect a moment - you will find the benefit and advantage after, when you become men; your Bro. John will see you in London; he leaves here on Thursday morning and will stay up to Tuesday following.

Will send you some money by him, you must write home before you go to London - and let me see what improvement you have made also - mind your spelling - which is looked at much by your friends, when you correspond with them. We are all well at home, and talk about you every day and hope you may make yourselves clever good young men

Your very affectionate father,

W. D. Hall

The Hall family lived at Greenbank, a large house which still stands and is sited between the former paper mill at Diggle Bridge and the Stalybridge - Huddersfield railway. Mr Hirst's father rented this house between approximately 1938 and 1950.

Mr Hirst was lent the letter reproduced above by the great grandson of its writer, who has also related a family tradition that it may be possible to test by some research. The story is that papermaking in Diggle came to an end when W D Hall was accused of letting his mill pollute the stream which flows past it. He refused to negotiate with the complainant because he had the effrontery to receive Mr Hall when wearing nothing more formal than a warehouse coat. Perhaps some reader could comment on this!

Mr J Hodges
1a Ashlea Grove
Grotton
OLDHAM OL4 4LE

Dear Michael

Please find enclosed details of a letter taken from a secretary's copy letter book dated 10th September 1821. The letter is from the Guardian Assurance Company (established in 1821 and now the Guardian Royal Exchange) and it confirms that Robert Shaw is required to act as agent for the Company in Saddleworth on a recommendation from Messrs. Buckley Roberts & Co.

I trust this may be of some interest.

Yours sincerely

John Hodges

Robert Shaw
Buckley Roberts & Co
SADDLEWORTH

10th September 1821

I am directed by the Committee to inform you that in consequence of a Letter they have received from Messrs. Buckley Roberts & Co. they are desirous to avail themselves of your services as Agent to the Guardian Company at Saddleworth.

You will receive herewith 50 of their Proposals and 10 printed observations; pointing out the principles on which the Institution is founded and I have to request you will be pleased to appropriate them in the way directed in the Instructions now conveyed to you, and to them I refer you for ample information regarding the views of the Committee.

I am willing to hope you will use every effort in your power to procure some Shareholders at Saddleworth, as your trouble hereafter will thereby be much diminished.

I am & c.

Signed W. Stephens

*** Recollections of the Saddleworth Picture Palace kindly sent by Denise Fraser**

I was born in 1940 and a good part of my leisure time was spent "at the pictures".

The programme changed three times a week. There was "one house"

during the week and two on Saturdays, at 6 o'clock and another at 8.30.

During the week it was 7d for children to get in and 1/- for adults. On Saturdays it was 1/- for everyone. Sometimes homework and finances permitting I would go three times each week.

If I hadn't got any money I would ask my Mum "are there any pop bottles to take back"? Somehow there always were and with the pennies due on the bottles I was able to afford the 7d.

All the family used to go on Saturday nights - "first house", and every Saturday morning it was my job to ring up and book seats.

Every week without fail when Mr Plummer answered the 'phone I would say "This is Mr Fraser's little girl. Could we have our usual seats on the front row upstairs?", and Mr Plummer always replied, "Yes, Mr Fraser's little girl - that's all right." I was always known to Mr and Mrs Plummer as "Mr Fraser's little girl".

Before the film started and during the interval, gramophone records were played and we always took along our favourite tune of the moment.

My long standing favourite was "the intermezzo from the Jewels of Madonna" and this was sometimes greeted with good natured teasing from the staff "Oh not this one again!"

My brother's favourite record was "Buttons and Bows" and we both liked "Ghost riders in the sky".

On Saturday afternoons if we had bought a new record in Oldham we always took it along to "the pictures" in the evening.

If everyone in the village had enjoyed a certain film it could be brought back "by popular request" - one of these was "The Blue Veil" with Jane Whyman.

There was also a Christmas Saturday matinee - I remember being very frightened by one film - it wasn't very suitable for a children's matinee and I spent the afternoon with my hands over my eyes.

If the film was an "A" film you had to be accompanied by an adult - there were always good natured families who answered to the plea "please will you take us in with you?"

The ushers were called Harold and Annie. Annie used to stand - ramrod stiff - in front of the screen, torch in hand, whilst the National Anthem played and woe betide anyone who fooled around until it was finished!

When any fooling about was going on the cry "Harold's coming down!" went up and the culprits froze in their seats. My

brother still talks about Harold to this day.

When the "first house" on Saturdays was over we would come out onto the High Street past the queue waiting to go in and we were treated to 3d of chips at Mr Howarth's chippy. These we ate walking down the street and they lasted just until we got home near Wade Lock.

I have always held Mr and Mrs Plummer and the staff in very high regard. They played an important role in giving me very many happy memories which I shall always cherish.

Denise M Fraser

Our Lady of Pity,
24 Mill Lane,
Greasby,
Wirral,
Merseyside.
L49 3NN

Dear Mr Fox,

I wonder if you are interested in the fact that I have in my possession: The Little Folks Magazine. It is numbered "No. 7" and is dated May 24th 1914. It consists of exercise-book paper tied together with cotton and it was written long-hand by my father and two of his sisters: Phyllis, Muriel and Stanley Robinson. Their ages at the time were fourteen, eleven and seven respectively. The main contents are stories and poems. But the final page may be of interest to readers of Saddleworth Historical Society Bulletin. A number of adverts have been added by the children though I doubt that any income was received by them.

The adverts are as follows.

(FIRST PAGE)

T. Walsh (Jeweller)
Yorkshire St
Oldham

G. F. Tanner
Solicitor
Clegg St
Oldham

C. Hutchinson
Dental Surgeon
Clegg St
Oldham

Robinson Bros
Bentfield Mill
Finishers of Woollen Goods*

Pat Molloy
Grasscroft
Licensed to sell
Tobacco & Cigarettes

Miss Fry
Newsagent
Greenfield

Go to Bottomley's, opposite King William IV, for good meat.

(BACK PAGE)

Thomas. P Bradbury, Champion Roller-
skater. Lessons given daily.

also
Composer of Ragtime Melodies

George. Lawton
Champion Horse-rider of Saddleworth
Lessons given daily

John. Cheetham. Selwyn. Rowbotham
Champion Golfer.
(The K-nur of all golfers)⁺
Lessons given daily

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* This line of the item is pasted over the original which
reads "Dyers and Finishers".

+ According to Chambers Dictionary a knur can be a hard
ball or knot of wood. It also says that knur and spell
is a game played with a knur, trap (spell), and stick,
in vogue chiefly in the North of England.

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Yours sincerely

Jim Robinson
(Rev. J. K. Robinson)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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36 Kiln Brow
Bromley Cross
BOLTON
BL7 9NR

Dear Mr Fox

I am trying to locate any information on my Great, Great Grandfather ROGER GARTSIDE, born Saddleworth in 1809 or 1810, married MARY ANN HOLDEN on the 2nd December 1832 at Mottram-in-Longdendale. He later moved to Ashton-under-Lyne and had at least 12 children (Thomas, Roger, Edwin, Samuel, James, Mary, Frances Ann, Sarah Ann, Maria Ann, Mary Ann, Martha Ann, Leah Ann) between 1835 and 1857. He died in Ashton-under-Lyne in 1890.

I would be grateful for any information other members of the Society may have.

Yours sincerely

John Gartside

Enquiries about membership of the Saddleworth Historical Society should be sent to:

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Contributions

The "Bulletin" aims to reflect and encourage interest in all aspects of the history of Saddleworth. It relies on a regular supply of articles, letters, short reviews etc. from members and others interested in the history of the area. Fresh material is required constantly and should be sent to the Editor, who is pleased to discuss ideas for articles with anyone who is considering preparing one. Articles need not be confined to subjects within Saddleworth's borders but should have some connection with the district.

The Winter "Bulletin" is due for publication on 31st January. All material to the Editor by 31st December please.

Addendum

Apologies to Mr Kevin Lawton for the omission of a paragraph in his article on Saddleworth Water Supply in the last "Bulletin" (Vol 22, No 2), page 6. The following should have been inserted:

1937 - (S. H. S. "Bulletin" Vol 20, No 3, p 23)
The Moor Cock Inn was demolished in June, 1937.
("Annals of Saddleworth")

* Mrs Enid Beattie

For several years past Mrs Beattie has performed the unenviable task of transforming the bits and pieces that make up each "Bulletin" into a typescript presentable to the printer. Mrs Beattie has recently decided to withdraw from this activity. I wish to record my appreciation of her efforts and dedication. - Editor.

SADDLEWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 1992

'No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthful ease,
No comfortable feel in any member,
No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees,
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds.
NOVEMBER !'

The Autumn Outing was a most enjoyable affair. We took the coach to Settle then entrained to Carlisle on the most spectacular railway journey in Britain, over the famous Ribbleshead Viaduct and through the breathtaking Yorkshire Dales. The Border City of Carlisle has long been considered one of those to pass through en route to Scotland, but how wrong that can be. It is a historical gem to be enjoyed and sadly an afternoon's stay was hardly long enough.

We have excellent news concerning the Cherry Valley Chronicles, the editor, Maurice Dennett, has received a letter from the University of Massachusetts. A Mary H. Blewett, Professor of History has written to him, having read the book and believes that the publication should be made available to scholars in the United States and Canada through the network of research libraries to which the American Antiquarian Society in Worcester, Massachusetts is attached. The Society specialises in 19th-Century New England History. The Professor has introduced Maurice to the Curator of Manuscripts and has also recommended the book to Professor Charlotte Erickson, Cambridge University a specialist in British Immigration to the United States. This is fine news and bodes well for the future of Cherry Valley Chronicles.

Good news also for Dr. Pat Stonehouse whose article on two Mesolithic sites in the Southern Pennines will be appearing in the Yorkshire Archaeological Journal.

Gordon Parry expressed concern that the recent tree-planting by the Royal Oak, at Heights will obscure the view-point chosen for the Bernard Barnes Memorial Garden. The Committee now understand that the trees are mainly birch and will be bare for most of the year.

Diary Dates.

Lancashire & Cheshire Antiquarian Society. Day School, Saturday 21st November, at the Portico Library, Mosley Street, Manchester. "Manchester Publishing & Literary Voices", at 10.0 a.m.

Forthcoming Events. SHS Lectures, at the Museum, 7.30 p.m.

Monday 16th November, 92.

The Diggle Local Interest Trail.
Neil Barrow.

Thursday 10th December, 92.

Annual General Meeting.

Nominations to the Committee are invited to the Secretary, Mr. Neil Barrow, Carr Farm Cottage, Diggle, Oldham. OL3 5ND, at least 10 days before the A.G.M. As part of the entertainment should any member have slides available of a historical holiday that they wish to inform the members upon will they please volunteer to Jim Carr, on 045787 3612.

Monday 25th January, 92.

Archaeology of the Domestic Industry.
Hosiery & Textiles Compared.
Dr. Marilyn Palmer.

Music at the Gallery. Jazz Concerts. 8.30 p.m.

Saturday 21st November, 92.

The Chicago Teddy Bears.

Saturday 12th December, 92.

The Heritage Hall Stompers.

Saturday 23rd January, 93.

The Savannah Jazz Band.

Art Exhibitions at the Museum.

7th November - 10th January.

This Green & Pleasant Land.
Jeff Beaumont.

14th November - 6th January.

In the Lower Gallery -
An evocative tableau of a Victorian
Christmas.

Other Events at the Museum.

Sunday 22nd November, 92.

Textile Working Day.

Thursday 19th November.

Antique Road Show - held by Capes Dunn & Co.

Thursday 3rd December.

Continental Beer Tasting Evening.

Sunday 6th December.

Christmas Fair & Grotto.

Wednesday 16th December.

Coffee Morning.

MEMBERSHIP SECTION.

A welcome to the following new members -

Mrs. Betty J. Smith of South Carolina, U.S.A.

Mr. & Mrs. H. Moore, Delph. (Mr. Frank Waterhouses's Granddaughter.)

Mrs. K. Kane, Holly Grove, Dobcross.

Mr. & Mrs. T.S. Bradbury, Fairbanks, Diggle.

Mr. A.J. Wheeldon, Wall Hill, Dobcross.

Miss Sue Latimer, Dobcross.

A letter from Mrs. Barbara Cummins, currently on a posting in Botswana presents a copy of her family tree for the Archives reaching back to Abraham Broadbent of Green, Diggle, 1649-1737 and who is related to a very long standing member, her uncle is Mr. Arthur Rhodes Jackson Broadbent of Southend-on-Sea, and Mr. Christopher Broadbent another member who resides in Milan, Italy.

Mrs. Betty Jane Smith, 2 Sherman Drive, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, 29928, U.S.A., has joined the Society and is most interested in tracing family roots with regard to Benjamin Winterbottom who married Martha Gartside 4 Sept. 1738, St. Chads Church, and of course their descendents, also Thomas and Hannah Platt who married at St. Chads, on the 6th January, 1800, together with Mary Ann and Ben Street from Alt who were married on the 26th August, 1823. Anyone wishing to contribute in this genealogical search is invited to write direct to Mrs. Smith, who promises further facts concerning the Streets and Booths who emigrated to America.

A list of current publications is enclosed seperately to remind members of the choice available from the Society's reading list, it's a good selection demonstrating the Society's prowess at publication.

Wishing you all a very happy Christmas.

J. Hindle. November, 92.

