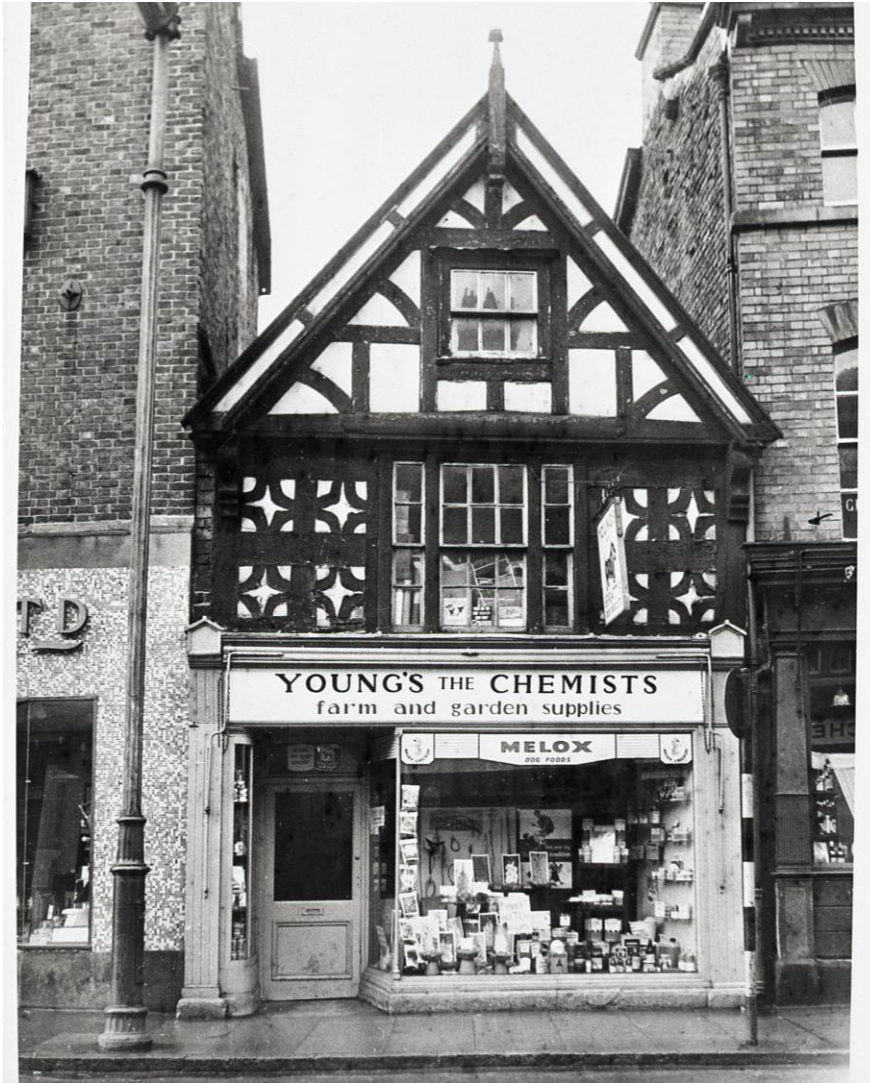




45 High Street NANTWICH

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INTRODUCTION

On High Street, in the centre of Nantwich, stands 45 High Street, mainly composed of a historic early 17th century timber-framed building. It sits on a medieval burgage plot, and was a town house and shop in the past. Today, it is a Jewellery shop in the ownership of Mr David Baguley. It is no longer a residence, and operates as a purely commercial business.

The rear portion of the building is a two storey brick structure, presumably dating from the 18th or early 19th centuries. It also has a cellar. The rear front door with fanlight above, now forms an internal door way to the rear of the shop.

As part of Nantwich Museum's '**Discovering Medieval Nantwich Community Project**', Mr David Baguley allowed: Kerry Kirwan (the museum's Learning Development Officer); Julian Hadrill (one of the Project's dedicated Photographers); and me, Charles E. S. Fairey, a local historian, and museum Research Group Member; to explore and document the historic building.

Whilst exploring, I spoke to Mr David Baguley, about the building's history, and told him that I would have a look at its history, to see if I could find some more information, which he may not already have in his possession. This report is the result.

This history details the following:

- Table of Occupants of 45 High Street
- Listing
- Historic Map Evidence
- Historic Photographs
- Historic Adverts
- Historical Newspaper Articles
- Wills
- From the Net
- Examples of Spiritual Protection

I have tried my best to find as much information as possible, but it is very difficult to get all the way back to the original build date of the shop, especially with it not having a specific name.

There are records existing before 1780, like the 1744 Smoke Tax Survey, two surveys dating to 1691 and 1641, and the 1660s Hearth Tax, which include every building and its occupier. Historic Deeds like leases may exist, but to narrow down to which building on High Street, without knowing the occupier or owner, is difficult.

I have however, been able to document every occupant, from the 1780s to the present day.

There are some very interesting details about the occupiers and owners of 45 High Street, as well as a few candidates for possible ghosts, which Mr David Baguley told us about, and showed us video evidence of possible supernatural phenomena.

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Occupants Through Time

Source	Occupant
Early 17 th Century to 1781	IT IS DIFFICULT TO PIN DOWN EARLIER OWNERS / OCCUPANTS, DUE TO THE BUILDING NOT HAVING A NAME, I.E. LIKE A PUB, AND BECAUSE EARLIER RECORDS ARE NOT IN ORDER AS EACH PROPERTY STANDS ALONG THE STREET, ALTHOUGH EACH STREET IS OFTEN SEPARATE. ANY DEEDS FROM SALE MAY HELP?
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 26.09.1768	Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Davies, Cutler
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1781	High Town Owner: Mr Walthall Occupier: Mr Samuel Davies House & Shop &c Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1782-1783	High Town Owner: Mr Walthall Occupier: Mr Saml. Davies House & Shop &c Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1786	High Town Owner: Mr Walthall Occupier: Lovat House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1787-1794	High Town Owner: Enoch Hawksey Occupier: Enoch Hawksey House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
WARMINGHAM MARRIAGE LICENCE 13.03.1791	Enoch Hawksey, of Nantwich, Watchmaker & Mary Skerrett, of Warmingham, both over the age of 21,
WARMINGHAM MARRIAGE 10.04.1791	Enoch Hawksey, Watchmaker of Nantwich, marries Mary Skerrett, of Warmingham, by Licence, Witnesses: William Wright and John Skerratt
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 11.07.1792	Mary, daughter of Enoch and Mary Hawksey, Watchmaker
NANTWICH SURVEY OF HOUSES AND LANDS 1792	High Town Proprietor: Mr. Hawksey, House, Shop and Yard. Occupier: Mr. Hawksey
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 13.09.1793	Catherine, daughter of Enock[h] and Mary Hawksey, Watchmaker
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1795	High Town Owner: Mr Enoch Hawksey Occupier: Mr Enoch Hawksey House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
WARMINGHAM BURIALS 10.05.1795	Enoch Hawksey of Nantwich, Watchmaker, son of Thos. Hawksey of Hale, Lancashire, Cordwainer, died of Dropsy, age 45
WILL 24.09.1794 (PROVED 02.02.1799)	Enoch Hawksey, of Nantwich, Watch Maker

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NANTWICH LAND TAX 1796	High Town Owner: Mrs Hawksey Occupier: Shaw & Salmon House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1797	High Town Owner: Mrs Hawksey Occupier: Loat House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
WARMINGHAM BURIALS 12.06.1797	Mary Hawksey, Widow of Enoch of Nantwich, Watchmaker, daughter of John Skerrat, died of Consumption, age 28
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1798	High Street Owner: Mrs Hawksey Occupier: Loat House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH SURVEY OF HOUSES AND LANDS 1792 (1799)	High Town Proprietor: Mr. Hawksey, House, Shop and Yard. Occupier: Mr. Hawksey , Mr. Loat
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1799	High Street Owner: Late Hawksey Occupier: Mr Loat House & Premises Land Tax: £0, 7s, 4d
APPRENTICESHIP INDENTURE 1801	Thomas Taylor, Apprenticed to Henry Loat, Clockmaker, Nantwich, Cheshire
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1802	High Town Owner: Late Hawksey Occupier: Josh. Lythgoe Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
CHESTER COURANT 21.05.1805	Josiah Lythgoe of Nantwich (See <i>Historic Newspapers</i> later)
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1805	High Street Owner: Late Hawkseys Occupier: J Lithgoe Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1806	High Town Owner: Late Hawkseys Occupier: J Lithgoe Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1807-1815	High Town Owner: Late Hawkseys Occupier: Josiah Lithgoe Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
HISTORIC DEED (CONVEYANCE) HOSPITAL STREET METHODIST CHAPEL FOUNDED 1808 OPENED 13.11.1808 According to the NANTWICH CHRONICLE 27.09.1958 Page 8	Bearing the List of Nine Trustees who bought the property to build it upon:- Samuel Penkethman of Nantwich, Shoe Manufacturer Jno. Withinshaw of Nantwich, Carrier and Leather Seller JOSIAH LYTHGOE OF NANTWICH, DRAPER Thomas Breese of Lea, Farmer Robert Wright of Nantwich, Flax Dresser John Hitchen of Alpraham, Farmer James Plevin of Nantwich, Saddler Robert Johnson of Aston within Wrenbury-cum-Frith, Officer of Excise And John Davenport of Nantwich, Staymaker
CHESTER CHRONICLE 29.04.1808	Josiah Lythgoe of Nantwich, Woollen and Linen Draper (See <i>Historic Newspapers</i> later)

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NANTWICH MARRIAGES 07.10.1810	Thomas Shaw, Draper of Nantwich, marries Peggy Lythgoe, of Nantwich, by Licence. Witnesses: Anthony Morgan and William Palin Marriage Licence, dated 03.10.1810, Thomas Shaw, Draper of Nantwich & Peggy / Margaret Lythgoe of Nantwich, both over the age of 21, published by Thomas Shaw, Draper of Nantwich, and Anthony Morgan, Cordwainer of Nantwich
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 06.10.1811	Josiah John, son of Thos and Peggy Shaw, Linen Draper
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 26.06.1813	Mary Ann, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Peggy is an alternative name for Margaret) Shaw, Draper
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1814	High Town Owner: Late Hawkseys Occupier: Thos. Shaw Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 02.10.1814	Sarah, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Shaw, Linen Draper of Nantwich
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1815	High Town Owner: Late Hawkseys Occupier: Thos. Shaw Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH BURIALS 24.11.1815	Mary, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Shaw[e], of Nantwich, age 2 years
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 10.10.1816	Mary Anne, daughter of Thos and Mary Shaw, Linen Draper of Nantwich
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1817	High Town Owner: - Occupier: Thos. Shaw Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1818	High Town Owner: Josia Lythgoe Occupier: Thos. Shaw Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 22.07.1818	Sarah, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Shaw, Linen Draper of Nantwich (born 11.07.1818)
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1819-1821	High Town Owner: Josiah Lythgoe Occupier: Thomas Shaw Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 01.03.1820	Martha, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Shaw, Linen Draper of Nantwich
NANTWICH BURIALS 09.08.1821	Josiah Lythgoe, Draper of Nantwich, age 56
WILL 28.07.1821 (PROVED 11.09.1821)	Josiah Lythgoe of Nantwich, Draper, Haberdasher and Tea Dealer
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 24.08.1821	Thomas, son of Thomas and Margaret Shaw, Linen Draper of Nantwich, High Town
NANTWICH BURIALS 15.03.1822	Sarah Lythgoe, Widow of Josiah Lythgoe, age 59
PIGOT'S DIRECTORY 1822	Linen and Woollen Drapers, Joseph Lythgoe, High-street
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1822-1825	High Town Owner: Thomas Shaw Occupier: Thomas Shaw Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
CHESTER COURANT 29.04.1823	Thomas Shaw of Nantwich, Linen Draper (See <i>Historic Newspapers</i> later)

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NANTWICH BAPTISMS 10.09.1823	Margaret, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Shaw, Mercer of Nantwich
CHESTER COURANT 02.12.1823	Sale by Auction of the Late Mr. Josiah Lythgoe's Remaining Properties on High Street in Nantwich, now in the possession of Miss Mary Lythgoe (See <i>Historic Newspapers later</i>)
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1826-1830	High Town Owner: Thos. Shaw Occupier: Thos. Shaw House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
CHESTER CHRONICLE 16.01.1829	Mr Thomas Shaw, of high-street, Nantwich, Draper, appointed as Agent to those old established and popular Insurance Companies, the County Fire Office and Provident Life Office
SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE 03.04.1829	County Fire Office Returns, 20% Return on Premiums paid in the last 7 years, by those insured through them, and are also Agents for the Provident Life Office Thomas Shaw of Nantwich, Agent for the Nantwich Office
NANTWICH BURIALS 01.06.1829	Josiah John Shaw, of Nantwich, age 17
CHESTER CHRONICLE 25.06.1830	County Fire Office and Provident Life Office Insurance Thomas Shaw, Agent for the Nantwich Office
MORNING HERALD (LONDON) 02.09.1830	Death of Mrs Shaw, wife of Thomas Shaw, Mercer and Draper (See <i>Historic Newspapers later</i>)
NANTWICH BURIALS 01.09.1830	Peggy Shaw, Wife of Thomas Shaw, Draper of Nantwich, High Town, age 48
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1831	High Town Owner: Thos. Shaw Occupier: Thos. Shaw House & Land Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH LAND TAX 1832	High Town Owner: Thos. Shaw Occupier: Thos. Shaw House & Shop Land Tax: £0, 7s, 2d
NANTWICH MARRIAGES 27.05.1832	Thomas Shaw, Widow, Draper of Nantwich, marries Mary Cookson, Widow of Wybunbury, by Licence, Witnesses: Martha Church, James Shaw and Sabbath Church, Junior Marriage Licence, dated 29.02.1832, Thomas Shaw, Draper of Nantwich, Widower & Mary Cookson, Widow of Wybunbury, both over the age of 21
NANTWICH SURVEY OF HOUSES AND LANDS 1792 (1833-1835)	High Town Proprietor: Mr. Hawksey, House, Shop and Yard. Now: Thomas Shaw (written in) Occupier: Mr. Hawksey, Mr. Loat Now: Mr. Tho Shaw (written in)
PIGOT'S DIRECTORY 1834	FIRE, &C. OFFICE AGENTS, COUNTY (fire) & PROVIDENT (life), Thomas Shaw, High street LINEN & WOOLLEN DRAPERS, Thomas Shaw, High st
CHESTER CHRONICLE 05.09.1834	County Fire Office and Provident Life Office Insurance Thomas Shaw, Agent for the Nantwich Office
CHESTER CHRONICLE 06.01.1837	Cheshire Quarter Sessions – Trial of Prisoners in the Session House Court James Green, 20, for stealing a box and divers monies, the property of Thomas Shaw, of Nantwich. – No bill.

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MACCLESFIELD COURIER AND HERALD 07.01.1837	Cheshire Quarter Sessions – Trial of Prisoners in the Session House Court The Grand Jury ignored the bill in the case of James Green, for stealing a quantity of copper, the property of Thomas Shaw, of Nantwich.
CHESTER CHRONICLE 23.03.1838	County Fire Office and Provident Life Office Insurance Thomas Shaw, Agent for the Nantwich Office
CHESTER CHRONICLE 16.11.1838	Mr Thomas Shaw, Nantwich
NANTWICH BURIALS 03.03.1840	Sarah, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Shaw, of Nantwich, Hightown, age 21 (Margaret deceased)
NANTWICH MARRIAGES 17.03.1841	James Tomlin Morgan, Book Keeper of Preston, son of a Webster, age 28, marries Marianne Shaw, Dressmaker of Nantwich, age 24, Witnesses: Thomas Shaw, Draper of High Town, Margt Shaw
CENSUS 1841	High Street: Thomas Shaw, age 50, Draper, not born in Cheshire; Mary Shaw, age 50, born in Cheshire; Martha Shaw, age 20, born in Cheshire; Thomas Shaw, age 15, born in Cheshire; Margaret Shaw, age 15, born in Cheshire
CHESTER CHRONICLE 07.05.1841	Thomas Shaw of Nantwich, Draper (See <i>Historic Newspapers</i> later)
CHESTER CHRONICLE 10.01.1845	County Fire Office Insurance Thomas Shaw, Agent for the Nantwich Office
CHESTER CHRONICLE 01.10.1847	County Fire Office Insurance Thomas Shaw, Agent for the Nantwich Office
CHESTER CHRONICLE 24.03.1848	County Fire Office Insurance Thomas Shaw, Agent for the Nantwich Office
CHESTER CHRONICLE 30.03.1849	County Fire Office and Provident Life Office Insurance Thomas Shaw, Agent for the Nantwich Office
BAGSHAW'S DIRECTORY 1850	Fire and Life Offices, County, Thos. Shaw, High st Fire and Life Offices, Provident, Ts. Shaw, High st
CENSUS 1851	High Street: Thomas Shaw, Head, age 63, Draper, born Culcheth, Lancashire; Mary Shaw, Wife, age 62, born Wrenbury, Cheshire; Lydia Medcalf, age 14, House Servant, born Stapeley, Cheshire
SLATER'S DIRECTORY 1855	FIRE, &C. OFFICE AGENTS, COUNTY (fire) & PROVIDENT (life), Thomas Shaw, High st LINEN & WOOLLEN DRAPERS, Thomas Shaw, High st
NANTWICH BURIALS 01.03.1855	Thomas Shaw, of High St[reet] Nantwich, age 68
WILL 28.08.1844 (PROVED 19.04.1855)	Thomas Shaw of Nantwich, Draper (died 24.02.1855)
NANTWICH BURIALS 28.03.1856	Mary Elizabeth (infant), daughter of Thomas [Junior] and Elizabeth Shaw, of High St[reet] Nantwich
KELLY'S (POST OFFICE) DIRECTORY 1857	Thomas Shaw [Junior], linen & woollen draper, High street INSURANCE AGENTS, County Fire, Thomas Shaw, High street INSURANCE AGENTS, Provident Life, Thomas Shaw, High street
APPRENTICESHIP INDENTURE 05.05.1857	John Mason son of Joseph Mason, Cordwainer of Nantwich, bound to Samuel Mason, Cordwainer for 7 years Surety provided by John Steventon, Chandler, and Thomas Shaw [Junior], Draper
WHITE'S DIRECTORY 1860	Fire and Life Offices, County, John S. Kirkham, High st Fire and Life Offices, Provident (Life), John S. Kirkham, High st Tailors, John S. Kirkham, High st

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BUNBURY MARRIAGES 13.12.1860	William Buckley, Draper of Nantwich, age 21 (son of William Buckley, Farmer), marries Ann Goodwin, age 21 (daughter of Matthew Goodwin, Farmer), by Licence, Witnesses: Martha Buckley, Maria Goodwin, Thomas Buckley, Maria Brown, Isaac Allen Goodwin and Matthew Goodwin Marriage Licence, dated 11.12.1860, William Buckley of High Street, Nantwich, Draper & Ann Goodwin, of Wardle, Bunbury, both over the age of 21, lodged by Thomas Shaw, Draper of Nantwich, and Anthony Morgan, Cordwainer of Nantwich
CENSUS 1861	High Street: William Buckley, Head, age 28, Draper & Milliner (Master employing 2 Assist[ants] & 2 ap[prentices], born Nantwich, Cheshire; Ann Buckley, Wife, age 22, Milliner, born Bunbury, Cheshire; Martha Davis, age 19, Milliner's Assistant, born Audlem, Cheshire; Angelina Pike, age 19, Milliner's Assistant, born Yarmouth, Norfolk; Maria Williams, age 17, Milliner's Apprentice, born Wales; Thomas Davenport, age 16, Draper's Apprentice, born Audlem, Cheshire; Elizabeth Cork, age 17, General Servant, born Acton, Cheshire???
NANTWICH BURIALS 29.04.1864	William Henry (infant), son of William and Ann Buckley, of High St[reet] Nantwich
MORRIS & CO'S DIRECTORY 1864	William Buckley, linen and woollen draper, High street NEWSPAPER: Nantwich and Crewe Guardian – Published weekly, Office, High street Daniel Knight, reporter to the "Nantwich and Crewe Guardian," 6, Victoria buildings
WARRINGTON GUARDIAN 25.03.1865	WANTED 10 out-door Apprentices to the Millinery and Dressmaking. – Apply to William Buckley, Draper, Nantwich
NORTHWICH GUARDIAN 13.01.1866	06.01.1866: Birth at the Guardian Office, Nantwich, of a son to the wife of Mr. D. Knight, Reporter
CHRISTIAN WORLD 16.02.1866	Advert, Milliners Wanted, to make bonnets and caps, etc, Wesleyan [Methodist] preferred; posted by William Buckley, Draper of Nantwich (See <i>Historic Newspapers later</i>)
STOCKPORT ADVERTISER AND GUARDIAN 04.05.1866	SUICIDE BY A SERVANT GIRL On Friday night, a girl about 17 years of age, named Anne Church, in the service of Mr William Buckley, draper, High-street, Nantwich, committed suicide by throwing herself into the River Weaver. (See <i>Historic Newspapers later</i>)
NORTHWICH GUARDIAN 07.03.1868	04.03.1868: Birth of a daughter to the wife of Mr. John Boddington, of the Nantwich Guardian
NORTHWICH GUARDIAN 16.05.1868	CHORAL FUNERAL AT BATH The interment of Mr. W. Knight (brother of Mr. D. Knight, of the Warrington Guardian)
CHRISTIAN WORLD 17.09.1869	MILLINERY and DRESSMAKING, with a knowledge of Mantles, - Wanted, a FIRST HAND for each department. Must understand the sales. None but thorough practical hands need apply. State age, salary, and reference. – William Buckley, Draper, High-street, Nantwich.
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 17.02.1871	Arthur Tressillian, son of John and Elanor Boddington, of High Town, Nantwich, Reporter

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CENSUS 1871	High Street: John Boddington, Head, age 26, Reporter – Provincial Newspaper & Stationer, born Manchester, Lancashire; Eleanor Boddington, Wife, age 30, Reporter's Wife, born Manchester, Lancashire; Eleanor E Boddington, Daughter, age 3, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Arthur T Boddington, Son, age 2 months, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Sarah Boddington, Sister, age 21, Assistant in Stationary Business, born Manchester, Lancashire
MORRIS & CO DIRECTORY 1874	John Boddington, bookseller, stationer, printer, and bookbinder, piano-forte, music, and fancy goods warehouse, and agent to the National Scottish Fire and Life Insurance, High st (See advt. facing History of Nantwich. [J. Boddington, The "Guardian" Office, Nantwich])
NANTWICH SURVEY OF HOUSES AND LANDS 1792 (1876)	High Town J. Boddington, (pro Alexander Mackie) "Guardian Office" Proprietor: Mr. Hawksey, (Owen Lunt), House, Shop and Yard. Occupier: Mr. Hawksey , Mr Loat
CHESHIRE OBSERVER 07.04.1877	CHESHIRE QUARTER SESSIONS Mr. William Buckley, draper, Nantwich, was sworn in on the Grand Jury
CREWE GUARDIAN 01.09.1877	d. Knight, re-appointed as Manager of the Nantwich Guardian, with New Stock of Stationary, Gift Books, &c. Bibles, Church Services, Hymns Ancient and Modern, and Wesleyan Hymn Books
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1878	Newspaper: Nantwich Guardian, published wednesday & friday; Alexander Mackie & Edward Brewtnall, printers & publishers; office, 45 High street Daniel Knight, printer, stationer, bookbinder & music seller, 'Guardian' office, High street
NORTHWICH GUARDIAN 06.02.1878	04.02.1878: birth of a son, at the Guardian Office, Nantwich, to the wife of Mr. D. Knight
NANTWICH GUARDIAN 10.04.1878	OBTAINING MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCES AT NANTWICH John Kinley, 25, Fitter, pleaded guilty to obtaining 11s 3d by false pretences from Daniel Knight, at Nantwich, on the 5 th March (See <i>Historic Newspapers later</i>)
COPPENHALL BAPTISMS 18.08.1878	Annie Cecelia, daughter of John and Eleanor Boddington
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 17.03.1878	Bertram Cannings, son of Daniel and Mary Knight, of High Town, Nantwich, Newspaper Manager
NANTWICH BAPTISMS 21.11.1880	Frederick, son of Daniel and Mary Knight, of High St[reet], Nantwich, Newspaper Manager
CENSUS 1881	45 High Street: Daniel Knight, Head, age 45, Reporter & Stationer, born Bath, Somersetshire; Mary Knight, Wife, age 43, Reporter's Wife, born Bath, Somersetshire; William G Knight, Son, age 21, Artist, born Pontypool, Monmouthshire; Mary C Knight, Daughter, age 19, Assistant in Stationer's Shop, born Warrington, Lancashire; Clara Knight, Daughter, age 17, Assistant in Stationer's Shop, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Walter Knight, Son, age 15, Scholar, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Laura Knight, Daughter, age 10, Scholar, born Manchester, Lancashire; Frank Knight, Son, age 8, Scholar, born Warrington, Lancashire; Lilian Wright, Daughter, age 6, Scholar, born Warrington, Lancashire; Bertram Knight, Son, age 3, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Frederick Knight, Son, age 6 months, born Nantwich, Cheshire
EDDOWES'S SHREWSBURY JOURNAL 28.09.1881	EXTENSIVE ROBBERIES AT NANTWICH RAILWAY STATION John Hughes and his wife Elizabeth, Shunter appeared at Nantwich Police Station charged with stealing many items. It was noted for some time various articles had gone missing from the station, including fifteen shawls, which had been consigned to Mr. William Buckley, a draper in Hightown.

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SLATER'S DIRECTORY 1883	BOOKSELLERS & STATIONERS: Daniel Knight, (& music seller), 45 High st NEWSPAPER: NANTWICH GUARDIAN, twice weekly, Mackie & Co. Limited, publishers, 45 High st PRINTERS-LETTERPRESS: Daniel Knight, 45 High st
CHESHIRE OBSERVER 20.10.1883	CHESHIRE QUARTER SESSIONS Mr. William Buckley, draper, Nantwich, was sworn in on the Grand Jury
NORTHWICH GUARDIAN 02.11.1889	Marriage at Runcorn Parish Church, by licence, by the Rev. Geo. Henry Seeley, of Albert Frank Hall, of Aberlore, Banffshire, to Clara, second daughter of Mr. D. Knight, Guardian Office, Hightown, Nantwich
CENSUS 1891	45 High Street: Daniel Knight, Head, age 55, Newspaper Manager & Reporter, born Bath, Somerset; Mary Knight, Wife, age 53, born Bath, Somerset; Laura Knight, Daughter, age 20, Milliner, born Manchester, Lancashire; Lilian Knight, Daughter, age 16, Shop Assistant (Stationers), born Warrington, Lancashire; Bertram C Knight, Son, age 13, Scholar, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Frederick Knight, Son, age 10, Scholar, born Nantwich, Cheshire
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1892	Newspaper: Nantwich Guardian, published tuesday & friday; Mackie & Co. Limited, printers & publishers; office, 45 High street Daniel Knight, printer, stationer, bookbinder & music seller, "Guardian" office, 45 High street
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1896	Newspaper: Nantwich Guardian, office, 45 High street; Mackie & Co. Limited, printers & publishers; Daniel Knight, manager; published tuesday & friday Guardian (Nantwich) Newspaper Office (Mackie & Co. Limited, printers & publishers; Daniel Knight, manager; published tues. & fri.) 45 High street
ALTRINCHAM, BOWDEN & HALE GUARDIAN 16.02.1898	SUDDEN DEATH AT NANTWICH Mr. J. C. Bate, Coroner, held an inquest at the Durham Heifer Inn, London-road, on Saturday, on the body of Anne Blud, aged 58 years, wife of Samuel Blud, Fellmonger, Stapeley. Mr. D. Knight was foreman of the jury.
NANTWICH GUARDIAN 22.02.1899	NANTWICH COCOA HOUSE D. Knight, shareholder of the Nantwich "Victoria" Cocoa House Company, Limited, Pillory-street, Nantwich
CENSUS 1901	45 High Street: Daniel Knight, Head, age 65, Newspaper Manager, born Bath, Somerset; Mary Knight, Wife, age 63, born Bath, Somerset; Walter Knight, Son, age 35, Newspaper Reporter, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Laura Knight, Daughter, age 29, Art Mistress (School), born Manchester, Lancashire; Frederick Knight, Son, age 20, Article & Sany? Instrector? & Engineer, born Nantwich, Cheshire
ACTON BURIALS 23.07.1901	Daniel Knight of Nantwich, age 65
WIDNES EXAMINER 26.07.1901	Daniel Knight of Nantwich, died 20.07.1901, age 65
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1902	Newspaper: Nantwich Guardian, office, 45 High street; Mackie & Co. Guardian (Nantwich) Newspaper Office (Mackie & Co. Limited, printers & publishers; Walter Knight, manager; published tues. & fri.), 45 High street

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KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1906	N/A
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1910	George Arthur Racklyeft, furniture dealer, 45 High St
DUTIES ON LAND VALUES NATIONAL ARCHIVES, KEW 13.03.1911	45 High St, Nantwich, House & Shop Owner: John Gronbach, 35 Victoria St, Crewe Occupier: Racklyeft 243 Square Yards Gross Value: £45 Rateable Value: £36 Actual or Estimated Rent: £45 Former Sale: 14.12.03; Freehold; £900, With extra; £100 "House & shop, occupied by Racklyeft, furniture dealer. The building is very old with half timbers; front is in fair order with exception of roof which wants renewing. The premises front on to High St; occupy a valuable business site. Accommodation: Ground floor: large shop, sitting room (Cellar), Kitchen; 1 st floor: Sitting room, 2 stockrooms, 2 bedrooms; 2 nd floor: 2 attics used for stock There is a paved yard at rear, W.C., wash house, loft over. Rent: £60 per annum. Tenant pays rates. Valuation of Market Value: £1000
CENSUS 1911	45 High St: 8 Rooms: George Arthur Racklyeft, Head, age 35, Furniture Dealer, born Sunbury, Middlesex; Annie Racklyeft, Wife, age 40, Assisting in Shop, born Witney, Bedfordshire; George Harold Racklyeft, Son, age 6, School, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Kathleen Racklyeft, Daughter, age 4, School, born Nantwich, Cheshire; John Arthur Racklyeft, Son, age 2, born Nantwich, Cheshire; Stella Cope, age 14, General Servant (Domestic), born Acton, Cheshire
WIDNES & RUNCORN CHRONICLE 03.06.1911	Mr. Racklyeft, 45 High-street, Nantwich
CREWE POSTAL DIRECTORY 1913	C[G]. A. Racklyeft, furniture, piano and cycle agent, 45 High Street
CREWE GUARDIAN 01.08.1913	NANTWICH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Mr G. A. Racklyeft
NANTWICH GUARDIAN 02.01.1914	NANTWICH MAN'S SUCCESS Mr. B. C. Knight, who held the rank of sergeant in the South African Mounted Rifles, has been promoted to lieutenant. Mr. Knight is the fourth son of the late Mr. D. Knight, of Nantwich, and of Mrs. Knight, of Stapeley (See <i>Historic Newspapers later</i>)
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1914	George Arthur Racklyeft, furniture dealer, 45 High street & 27 Churchyard side
NANTWICH GUARDIAN 04.01.1916	New Year's Day Gale A tile carried by the wind from a house on the opposite side of the street smashed into Mr. Racklyeft's plate glass window
NANTWICH GUARDIAN 14.12.1917	Miss Emma Griffiths, Meeson's Sweet Shop, Nantwich
CENSUS 1921	45 High Street: 6 Rooms: Amy Griffiths, Head, age 38 years 9 months, Single, born Broseley, Shropshire, Manageress, Sweets & Chocolates Shop, Bowden's Limited, Ashton-under-Lyme, Sweets and Chocolate Manufacturers,
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1923	Meesons Limited, confectioners, 45 High street
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1928	Meesons Limited, confectioners, 45 High street
KELLY'S DIRECTORY 1934	Meesons Limited, confectioners, 45 High street
REGISTER 1939	N/A
JOHNSON'S DIRECTORY OF NANTWICH 1953-1956	Youngs of Nantwich, Ltd., Cattle Foods and Medicines

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JOHNSON'S DIRECTORY OF NANTWICH 1957-1967	Youngs of Nantwich, Ltd., Cattle Foods and Medicines
JOHNSON'S DIRECTORY OF NANTWICH 1968-1973	Youngs of Nantwich Ltd., Cattle Foods & Medicines
JOHNSON'S DIRECTORY OF NANTWICH 1974	Youngs of Nantwich, Ltd., Cattle Foods and Medicines
CREWE CHRONICLE 07.03.1974	Plea over historic buildings: A CALL for more government cash help for small towns, where historic buildings needed restoration, was made by Mr Tom Holman last week at Nantwich Urban Council Planning Committee. Under consideration was an application for a grant to help the restoration of black and white premises at 45 High Street, Nantwich, which are to be used as a travel agency. Mr. Holman said he supported the application, but there should be a fresh look at means of providing money for the preservation of historic buildings in small authorities. The grants should be provided by the central government and not by local ratepayers. Supporting this view, Mr. Alan Chapman said that in this case the Council should give a "reasonable" grant. Restoration of ancient buildings involved more expense than normal repair work. The Surveyor, Mr. Frank Scaife, said that it had been past policy of the Urban Council to match the grant given by the County Council, which in this case was £1,179, or 25 per cent of the eligible cost of the work, whichever was the smaller. On the proposition of Mr. Walter Dutton, it was agreed to make a grant of half the sum granted by the County Council "in view of the recent demands on the Urban Council's resources."
CREWE CHRONICLE 06.06.1974	PROPOSAL TO CARRY OUT WORKS FOR DEMOLITION AT 45 HIGH STREET, NANTWICH: Planning Application, by F. T. Hockenhull for listed building consent to demolish existing toilet facilities and erect new toilet block
CREWE CHRONICLE 06.05.1976	Osprey Outdoors, 45 High Street, Nantwich
NANTWICH CHRONICLE 25.11.1976	Osprey Outdoors, Special Xmas Offer, 45 High Street, Nantwich
NANTWICH CHRONICLE 28.12.1978	Osprey Outdoors Grand Sale, 45 High Street, Nantwich
NANTWICH CHRONICLE 21.06.1979	Roger Coppinger, Estate Agents, 45 High Street, Nantwich
NANTWICH CHRONICLE 17.07.1980	Roger Coppinger, Estate Agents, 45 High Street, Nantwich
NANTWICH CHRONICLE 24.04.1986	Bridgfords, Estate Agents, 45 High Street, Nantwich
WINSFORD CHRONICLE 09.02.1989	Bridgfords, Estate Agents, 45 High Street, Nantwich
WINSFORD CHRONICLE 20.10.1999	Bridgfords, Estate Agents, 45 High Street, Nantwich

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SOLD allsop 23.05.2017	45 High Street, Nantwich, CW5 5DB Let to Countrywide Estate Agents (Bridgfords) until 2022 Sale Price: £365,000 Description This attractive Grade II Listed property is arranged on basement, ground, and two upper floors to provide a ground floor shop, presently trading as an estate agent, with office and storage accommodation above. The basement is not presently used by the tenant. The property provides the following accommodation and dimensions: Gross Frontage4.65 m (15' 3") Net Frontage 4.05 m (13' 4") Shop Depth 10.85 m (35' 7") Built Depth 22.15 m (72' 8") Basement 15.00 sq m (161 sq ft) Ground Floor 67.95 sq m (731 sq ft) First Floor 54.10 sq m (582 sq ft) Attic 17.75 sq m (191 sq ft) Total 154.80 sq m(1,666 sq ft)
2025	David James, Jewellers, 45 High Street, Nantwich

Listing

45 High Street

Heritage Category:

Listed Building

Grade:

II

List Entry Number:

1277572

Date first listed:

01-Mar-1974

List Entry Name:

45, HIGH STREET

Statutory Address 1:

45, HIGH STREET

Statutory Address:

45, HIGH STREET

District:

Cheshire East (Unitary Authority)

Parish:

Nantwich

National Grid Reference:

SJ 65129 52283

Details

1. I425 HIGH STREET (East Side) ----- No 45 SJ 6552 1/23

II 2. C17. Timber framed with plaster infilling; 2 storeys plus attic; gabled end to street; 1 C18 3-light sash window; modern barge boards; overhang to front on carved brackets; tiles. Modern shop front.

Listing NGR: SJ6513452284

Legacy

Legacy System number:

431014

Legacy System:

LBS

PLEASE NOTE: The building has decorative framing to the first floor. This usually indicates a late 16th to early 17th century date. The gable timbers were replaced presumably around the late Victorian Era. This gable may also have had decorative framing, like the first floor.

It has flat chamfered beams (a decorative treatment to the edges of internal beams), it does not have ovolo moulded beams, like the other timber framed buildings on High Street, which date from circa 1584. This likely indicates an early 17th century construction date.

Historic Map Evidence

45 High Street



Extract from the 1851 Board of Health Map of Nantwich

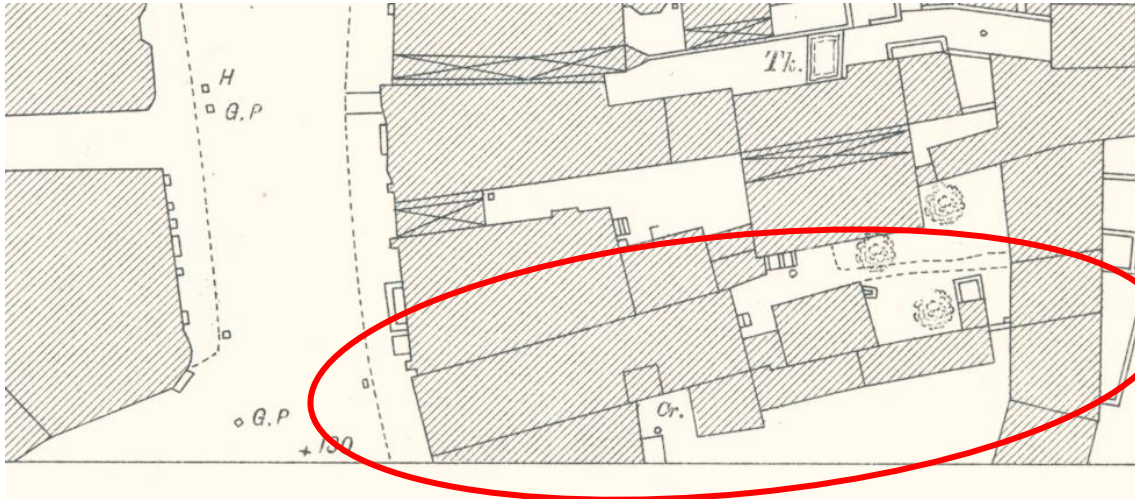
This map shows 45 High Street's location. However, the property sits on the edge of two maps, which have been stitched together, so it is obscured somewhat.



Extract from the 1853 Water Contract Map of Nantwich

This map shows 45 High Street, Nantwich. You can clearly see the narrow but long Burgage Plot. The small square light well at the rear of the early 17th century front part of the building is shown, as well as the later extension to its east. Also shown are two attached outbuildings to its rear, and the yard.

45 High Street, Nantwich



Extract from the 1875 First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of Nantwich (25 inch to the mile)

This again shows 45 High Street, Nantwich. Again, you can clearly see the narrow but long Burgage Plot. The small square light well at the rear of the early 17th century front part of the building is shown, as well as the later extension to its east. Also shown are two attached outbuildings to its rear, and the yard. In the yard depicted, are a tree and a small building with an enclosed small yard. This is likely a pig sty.



Extract from the 1961 Ordnance Survey Map of Nantwich (1:2500)

This again shows 45 High Street, Nantwich. Again, you can clearly see the narrow but long Burgage Plot. The small square light well at the rear of the early 17th century front part of the building is shown, as well as the later extension to its east. All of the earlier rear outbuildings have been removed. There is a new open sided outbuilding to the north-east of the property, in its rear yard.

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Historic Photographs
45 High Street



**Old Market Square, c1860s (showing 45 High Street to the right (rendered front))
It was William Buckley's Draper and Milliner's Shop at this time (Notice the hats and cloth)**

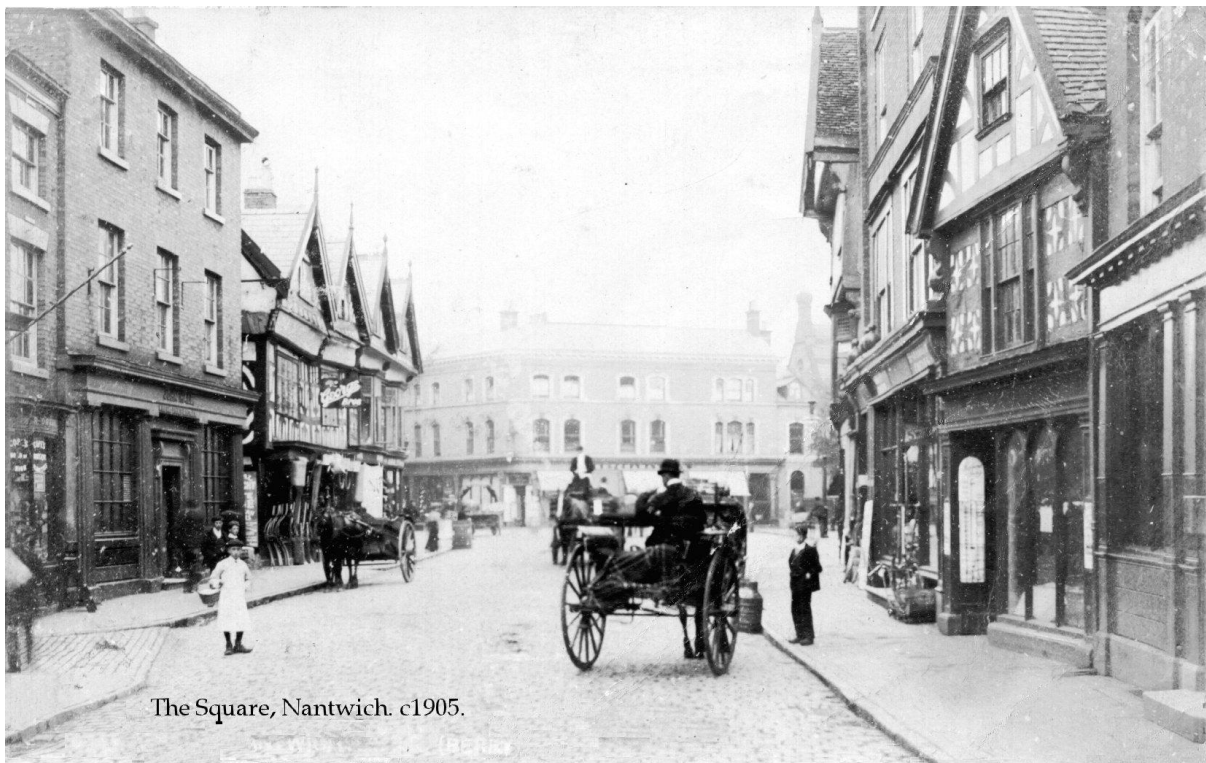


High Street, Nantwich, c1905 (showing 45 High St to the right (as The 'Guardian Office'))

45 High Street, Nantwich



The Square, Nantwich, c1905 (showing 45 High St to the right)



The Square, Nantwich, c1905 (showing 45 High St to the right)

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Rugs,
Carpet
Squares,
Bedroom
and
Dining
Room
Suites,
Over-
mantles,
Sideboards,
Couches,
Bassinettes,
Cabinets,
Easy
Chairs,
Linos.

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Tables,
Bedsteads,
Bedding,
Wire
Mattresses,
Kitchen
Chairs,
Fenders,
Curbs,
China,
Glass,
Dressers,
Wringers,
Flocks,
Ticks.

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GEO. A. RACKLYEFT,

Complete House Furnisher,

The Square, Nantwich. :: ::

UPHOLSTERING & CABINET MAKING DONE ON THE PREMISES.
EASY PAYMENTS TAKEN.

The Right House, for the Right Article, at the Right Price.

45 High Street, Nantwich, Johnson's Directory, 1913, Page 32
Advert for George Arthur Racklyeft, Complete House Furnisher

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45 High Street, Nantwich, Autumn 1942 (Young: The Chemists)

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45 High Street, Nantwich, c1961 (Young's The Chemists – Farm and Garden Supplies)

45 High Street, Nantwich



**45 High Street, Nantwich, Early c1970s (Young's – Farm and Garden Department)
(Enlarged below)**



45 High Street, Nantwich



**45 High Street, Nantwich, c1978-9 (Bridgfords Estate Agent)
(dated from the refronting of the building to the right)**

45 High Street, Nantwich



45 High Street, Nantwich, 4 March 2008 (Bridgfords Estate Agent)

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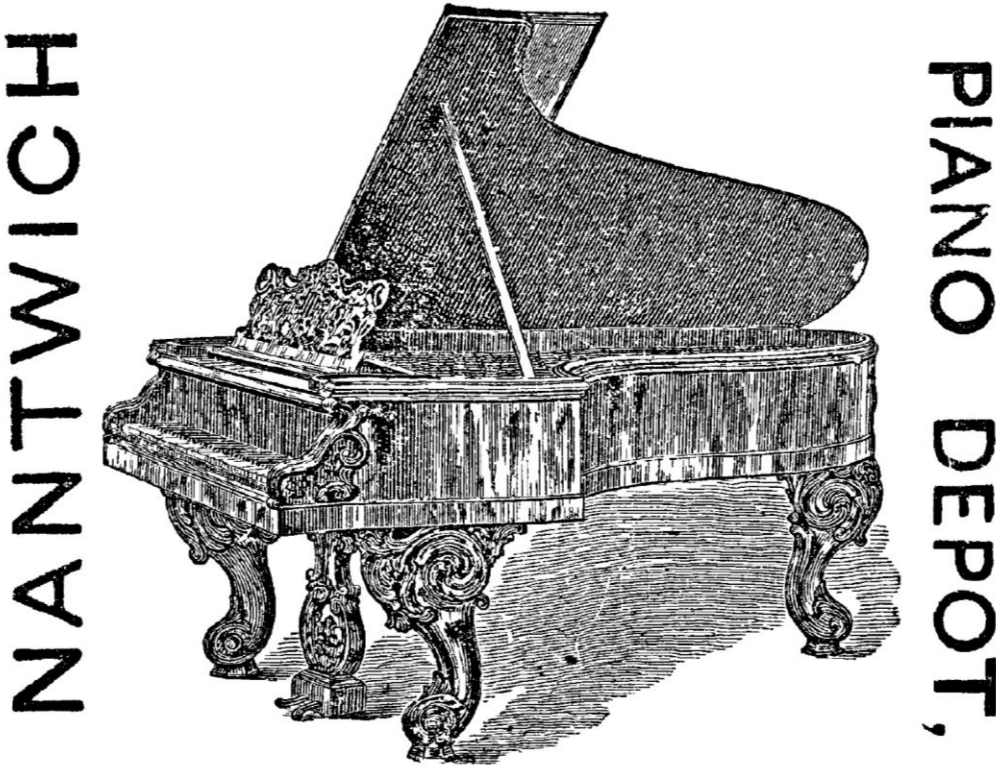
45 High Street, Nantwich, April 2024 (David James – Jewellers)

45 High Street, Nantwich

Historical Adverts

45 High Street

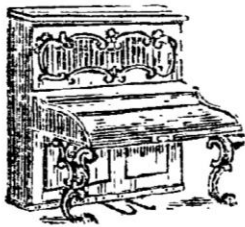
Morris & Co. Directory, 1874, between Pages 290 & 291:-



J. BODDINGTON,
The "Guardian" Office, Nantwich,

Has constantly in Stock New and Second-hand Pianos, on SALE or HIRE, of the
SOUNDTEST AND BEST CONSTRUCTION, by H Justin Browne, Tolkien, and other
Makers, at UNUSUALLY MODERATE PRICES.

Tuners sent out. Old Instruments received in Exchange.



PIANOS. by Broadwood,
Erard, Kirkman, Collard,
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SCHIEDMAYER'S
Iron Overstrung Cottage

(A Splendid Powerful Instrument),



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STATIONERY, BOOKS, AND MAGAZINES.

VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.
PRINTING AND BOOKBINDING.

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IN GREAT VARIETY.

Satchels, Albums, Carved Brackets, Book Slides, Oleographs, Tea Caddies,
Desks, Work-boxes, Chess, Draughts, &c.

White Wood Goods, with Views of Church and Neighbourhood.

BAGATTE TABLES, BILLIARDS, ETC., ETC.

Crewe Guardian, 1st September 1877, Page 1:-

GUARDIAN OFFICE, NANTWICH.

D. KNIGHT

Begs to announce that, having been re-appointed Manager of the Nantwich Guardian, the Proprietors Messrs. Mackie and Brewtnall, have, notwithstanding their original determination to the contrary, conceded to him the privilege of continuing the Bookselling and Stationery Business in connection with the Office.

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NESTOCK OF STATIONERY, GIFT BOOKS, &c.

BIBLES, CHURCH SERVICES,

HYMNS ANCIENT AND MODERN AND WESLEYAN

HYMN BOOKS.

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Nantwich Guardian, 30th November 1878, Page 1:-

D. KNIGHT

GUARDIAN OFFICE, NANTWICH.

PLAIN AND FANCY NOTE PAPERS, ENVELOPES,
ACCOUNT BOOKS, AND GENERAL STATIONERY.

SCRAP AND SCRAP BOOKS,

BIRTHDAY CARDS, SCENT SACHETS, &c.,

ALBUMS, GIFT BOOKS, POCKET BOOKS, &c.

PRAYER BOOKS, BIBLES, CHURCH SERVICES,

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Historical Newspaper Articles

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ENOCH HAWKSEY

Eastbourne Herald, 6th July 1974, Page 35:-

"GRANDFATHER CLOCK by Enoch Hawksey, working but needs attention, offers. – 46 Tideswell Road, Eastbourne."

JOSIAH LYTHGOE

Chester Courant, 21st May 1805, Page 2:-

"WE, the undersigned, Arbitrators in a dispute between Mr. THOMAS BROADY, of Wheelock Wharf, and Mr. JOSIAH LYTHGOE, of Nantwich, respecting a BALE OF GOODS, intended for Messrs. Downing and Elwall, of Nantwich, but delivered by mistake at Mr. Lythgoe's shop, in his absence from home, having examined the circumstances attending the delivery of the said Bale of Goods, and several original letters produced to us, and received other evidence, do find, that Mr. Lythgoe endeavoured not only to ascertain by whom the Goods had been sent, in order to make payment for the same, but that immediately on learning the owners thereof, he gave information of having received them. We therefore, in justice to Mr. Lythgoe, and from a consideration of the reflections which, we understand, have been inconsiderately cast upon his conduct, do declare, that we are fully satisfied he had not the least intention of doing wrong, and that to him no imputation of Fraud can be attributed.

JAS. COLCLOUGH, Solicitor, Sandbach.

RD. EDLESTON, Solicitor, Nantwich.

Dated this 7th May, 1805."

Chester Chronicle, 29th April 1808, Page 2:-

"Notice to Creditors and Debtors.

WHEREAS CHARLES OWEN, of Audlem, in the county of Chester, woollen and linen-draper, hath by a deed dated 23d. March, 1808, assigned his Effects unto Richard Lathbury Dudley, and Josiah Lythgoe, of Nantwich, woollen and linen-p[d]rapers, for the benefit of such his Creditors who shall execute such Deed, and accept of the provision thereby made in full of their respective debts, on or before the 24th. Day of June next;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That the said deed is left at the office of Mr. EDLESTON, solicitor, in Nantwich, for the inspection and signature of the creditors of the said Charles Owen; and that all persons who stand indebted to the said Charles Owen, are forthwith required to pay their respective debts to one of the said Trustees."

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Chester Courant, 2nd December 1823, Page 1:-

"DESIRABLE FREEHOLD PROPERTY

For the Purposes of Trade.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION

BY MR. G. WADE,

At the Crown Inn, Nantwich, on Saturday the 6th day of December, 1823, precisely at six o'clock in the evening, subject to such conditions as will be then produced,

THE FEE_SIMPLE and INHERITANCE of and in all that MESSUAGE or DWELLING-HOUSE, with the Shop, Seweing-room, Warehouse, Out offices and Appurtenances, and two Cottages or Dwellings behind the same, situate, standing and being in the High-street, in Nantwich, aforesaid, late in the possession of Mr. Josiah Lythgoe, deceased, but now of Miss Mary Lythgoe, and undertenants.

In these premises, the Drapery and Millinery Businesses have been hitherto carried on, but the property is truly desirable for any other trades. The Shop is twenty-one feet by eighteen, with handsome bow windows; and the sewing-room, which has been used in the millinery business, is very spacious. The premises are vaulted underneath, sufficiently for trades requiring such conveniences, and command a good situation for business. – The house has sash windows, contains a neat parlour to the front, sitting-room and kitchen, five excellent lodging rooms, and three good attics. The whole premises have been re built within a few years, are of brick and slate, and in complete repair.

Miss Lythgoe will shew the property to any person desirous of viewing it; and further particulars may be had of Mr. John Withenshaw, and Mr. James Plevin, Executors of the late Mr. Lythgoe, the AUCTIONEER, or at the offices of Mr. GALLIARD, solicitor, Nantwich."

PLEASE NOTE: John Lythgoe's 1821 Will states that: "I give, devise and bequeath unto my friends John Withinshaw Currier and James Plevin saddler both of Nantwich / aforesaid or the survivor of them, his Heirs, Executors administrators or assigns all my three messuages or dwelling / Houses Shop and their appurtenances situate in the High Town and occupied by my self [?] [?] and / George Orme."

This means this must be one of his three properties in High Town in Nantwich, and the details of which do not fit for the early 17th century, timber-framed, 45 High St, but might be next door, or at least close-by.

We also know from the Land Tax Returns before the date of this newspaper, that Thomas Shaw owned 45 High Street, and he had married Josiah Lythgoe's daughter, Peggy. It is likely he bought or was given, or a combination of the two, the property, quite a few years before Josiah's death.

THOMAS SHAW

Chester Courant, 29th April 1823, Page 2:-

"NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

WHEREAS THOMAS HALL, of Nantwich, in the county of Chester, Upholsterer, hath by Indenture of Assignment, bearing date the 21st day of April instant, assigned and transferred all his personal Estate and Effects to WILLIAM BETTELEY, of Nantwich aforesaid, ironmonger, and THOMAS SHAW, of the same place, linen-draper, in trust for the equal benefit of such of his Creditors as shall execute the said Indenture of Assignment, or signify their assent thereto in writing, to the said Trustees, or one of them, on or before the 30th day of May now next.

Notice is Hereby Given,

That the said Indenture of Assignment is left at the Office of Mr. BROADHURST, Solicitor, in Nantwich aforesaid, for the inspection and execution of the Creditors of the said Thomas Hall; and such of them as shall not execute the same, or signify their assent thereto as aforesaid, within the time above mentioned, will be excluded all benefit arising therefrom.

Nantwich, 26th April, 1823."

Morning Herald (London), 2nd September 1830, Page 4:-

"THAMES POLICE.

A deplorable event has occurred within a few days at Nantwich, whereby a respectable female lost her life, and other individuals are suffering from the same cause. On Thursday last Mrs. Shaw, wife of Thomas Shaw, mercer and draper, boiled a leg of mutton, for the dinner of her family, in a saucepan which had some few days previous been used to boil arsenic, for the purpose of destroying vermin. As the saucepan had been well cleaned, and water had been boiled in it several times, it was supposed to be perfectly free from the poison, and that no danger was to be apprehended. When the dinner was prepared, Mrs. Shaw sent part of the broth to a young man who was unwell in the neighbourhood, and partook of some herself. The Rev. John Hughes, Wesleyan Minister, having called in, was invited to dinner; he and Mrs. Shaw sat down, and were in the act of eating some of the broth, when Mrs. Shaw was taken suddenly ill, and, as the use previously made of the saucepan in which the broth was prepared returned to her mind, she desired them to eat no more, being apprehensive that her illness was occasioned by the poisonous effect of the arsenic. A messenger was instantly despatched for medical assistance, but considerable time elapsed before any could be procured, and the unfortunate sufferer lingered in great pain until Sunday evening, when she expired. At the time the deadly nature of the broth was discovered, a person was sent to the young man to whom part of it had been sent, but fortunately he had discovered its poisonous quality, and threw it from his stomach, as did also the Rev. J. Hughes; consequently they are out of danger, but Mr. Shaw still continues very ill."

This report also appeared in many other newspapers, local, county, other UK counties, and national, two of Cheshire's were the 'Chester Chronicle, 3rd September 1830, Page 3', and the 'Macclesfield Courier and Herald, 4th September 1830, Page 2'.

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Chester Chronicle, 7th May 1841, Page 2:-

"NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by an indenture bearing date the 5th day of May, 1841, between JOHN CROSSTHWAITE ROBINSON, of Corbrooke, in the parish of Audlem, in the county of Chester, cheesefactor, of the first part, WILLIAM ELLISON, of Nantwich, in the said county of Chester, Wine merchant, and JOSEPH BETTELEY, of the same place, ironmonger, of the second part, and the several persons whose names are thereunto set and affixed creditors of the said John Crossthwaite Robinson, of the third part; the said John Crossthwaite Robinson for the considerations therein mentioned bargained, sold, and assigned all his personal estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever, unto the said William Ellison and Joseph Betteley, their Executors, Administrators and Assigns, upon certain trusts in the said indenture mentioned and contained, for the benefit of all the creditors of him the said John Crossthwaite Robinson, parties to the said indenture of assignment rateably and in proportion to the amount of their respective debts, which said indenture of assignment was duly executed by the said John Crossthwaite Robinson, William Ellison, and Joseph Betteley, the respective executions whereof were duly attested by Thomas Shaw, of Nantwich aforesaid, draper, and Edward Delves Broughton, of the same place, solicitor.

And Notice is hereby further Given,

That the said indenture of assignment now lies at the Office of Messieurs Wallace and Broughton, solicitors, in Nantwich aforesaid, for the inspection and signature of the creditors; and such of his creditors as shall refuse or neglect to execute the same on or before arising therefrom.

Nantwich, May 5th, 1841."

PLEASE NOTE: Thomas Shaw lived next door to William Ellison, Wine Merchant, who owned 47-51 High Street, which was also once known as the 'Falcon Inn'. They were very likely not just neighbours but friends. In historic deeds, often neighbours are signatories and witnesses to agreements.

WILLIAM BUCKLEY

Christian World, 16th February 1866, Page 17:-

"TO MILLINERS. – WANTED, for a good medium-class trade, a thorough practical HAND. Competent to make millinery bonnets and caps, and trim straws well. Must be a good saleswoman. Wesleyan [Methodist] preferred. Address, stating particulars, William Buckley, Draper, Nantwich."

Stockport Advertiser and Guardian, 4th May 1866, Page 3:-

"SUICIDE BY A SERVANT GIRL. – On Friday night, a girl about 17 years of age, named Anne Church, in the service of Mr William Buckley, draper, High-street, Nantwich, committed suicide by throwing herself into the River Weaver. She complained of being over-worked by her mistress, and left a note behind her ascribing her rash act to having more work to do than she could perform. She was seen by the light of the moon, by a young man, standing on the brink of the river. He called to her, whereupon she threw herself into the water. He went to the water's edge, and saw the body in the water, but, though a good swimmer, was afraid – he told the coroner and jury – to jump in as he imagined what he had seen to be a ghost. The jury returned the following verdict, "That the deceased committed suicide while in a state of temporary insanity, which insanity the jury are of opinion may have been

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brought on through deceased being overworked and having had some unpleasantness with her mistress."

Nantwich, Sandbach & Crewe Star, 12th April 1890, Page 2:-

"PRESENTATION TO AN OLD NANTWICH RESIDENT.

A meeting of a very pleasing character was held on Thursday evening, last week, in the vestry attached to the Wesleyan Chapel, Nantwich, the occasion being the presentation of a testimonial to Mr William Buckley, who was about to leave for Colwyn Bay, in recognition of his past services in connection with the Nantwich Wesleyan circuit for the past thirty years. There were numerous members and friends present. The presentation of the teachers in the Sunday School, of which Mr Buckley was the superintendent, consisted of a silver-gilt tea service, comprising a tea-pot, creamjug, sugar basin, and a miniature silver easel with engraved plate containing the inscription, "Presented to Mr W. Buckley, April. 1890, by the officers and teachers of the Nantwich Wesleyan Sunday School, as a token of their esteem for the valuable services rendered during a period of thirty years." The office bearers and friends presented the gentleman with a purse of twenty guineas, and a framed illuminated address, inscribed as follows:- "To Mr William Buckley. Dear sir,- Your removal from Nantwich is regarded by many of the members and office bearers in the Nantwich Wesleyan Society and Circuit with the deepest regret. Your long connection with the society, the many services you have rendered in connection with it as Sunday school superintendent, secretary, day school secretary and treasurer, leader and society steward, trustee, circuit steward and secretary of quarterly meeting, all combine to show with what diligence and efficiency you have given yourself to the cause of Christ and of Methodism, and in how many ways your presence and labours will be missed. The teachers and office bearers of the Sunday School are giving to you their own separate expression of feeling, and on behalf of the other interests of the church we beg your acceptance of this address with a purse of gold. Praying that your life may be long spared in personal happiness and in all useful service, Signed on behalf of the subscribers, WILLIAM POTTS, ARTHUR WILKINSON, ministers; THOMAS PARSONAGE, W. E. WITHINSHAW, secretaries."

The proceedings were opened with singing and prayer, after which the Chairman (Mr E. H. Rhodes) said he was very sorry the superintendent minister was unable through illhealth to take part in the proceedings. Referring to the good work Mr Buckley had done for the church, he said that in the year 1860 he was appointed to teach a Bible class in the Sunday School, and from that time up to the present he had laboured hard and zealously in the service. They, as a church, wished him "God speed" in his new sphere of labour, and hoped that he would continue to exert his good influence at the next school.

Mr William Cornes spoke as to the usefulness of Mr Buckley in his past career as leader, poor and society steward, teacher, secretary, and superintendent in the Sunday School, circuit steward, and secretary of the quarterly meeting. He carried away with him their best wishes for his success, and they hoped he would continue to go on with the Master's work.

Mr Edwards, Mr Thomas Charlesworth, and Mr Joseph Willett also spoke as to the honourable position the gentleman occupied in the minds of the members.

The Chairman called upon Mr Sandys to make the presentation on behalf of the Sunday School teachers and officers. In complying, the presentee said that he had been associated with Mr Buckley for several years. Therefore, he could testify to the work done by him in the past in connection with the day school and the girls' senior class in the Sunday School. It was with regret he wished him "good-bye." He trusted that he would carry away with him the assurance that he had many true and

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sincere friends in Nantwich, and in the names of the teachers and officers of the Sunday School he asked him to accept the gift as a token of their esteem and appreciation.

Mr Buckley, in accepting the presentations, expressed his regret at the cause of Potts' absence. He said he scarcely knew how thank his friends for their many kindnesses, and only wished that he deserved what had been said respecting him. No one knew better than himself his shortcomings, and how much easier it was to remind them of passages in God's word than to live up to them. Having referred to his past association with Mr Cornes, and the many pleasant and profitable conversations they had enjoyed, he referred to the amicable way in which he and Mr. Sandys had always worked together, and said that nothing gave him greater satisfaction and comfort than the knowledge and the assurance that he had, in conjunction with others, been made instrumental in bringing some out of darkness into light. The services he had rendered had been most willingly given. It was 30 years since he commenced working in connection with the Sunday School. In 1862 he was appointed by the Rev. Samuel Allen as Mr Orchard's co-steward, when the society had two stewards, and ever since then he had not been out of office of some kind or other, it was a matter of thankfulness that as the older members and office-bearers grew up, and became as it were superannuated, younger ones were found to take their places, and he desired nothing better than that the members of his own family should take a prominent part in the cause of Christ and Wesleyan Methodism. He thanked them sincerely for the handsome presents that had been made that evening. The proceedings terminated with hymn and prayer soon after nine o'clock."

DANIEL KNIGHT

Runcorn Guardian, 24th June 1876, Page 5:-

"PRESENTATION TO MR. D. KNIGHT, AT WARRINGTON.

On Monday evening last, a number of gentlemen met together at the Lion Hotel, Bridge-street, for the purpose of entertaining to dinner Mr. D. Knight, late chief reporter of the Guardian, and also to present him with an illuminated address and a purse containing 50 guineas, on the occasion of his leaving Warrington for Wigan. Our readers will remember that Mr. Knight has already had two presentations during the past few weeks – one from the choir of St. Paul's Church, of which he had been a member for some years; and the second from the employers and employees of the Guardian office. These two testimonials were necessarily of a restrictive nature: and as Mr. Knight possessed numerous friends in the town who could not subscribe to either of these, it was felt desirable to have a testimonial which should be open to all who might wish to give a tangible shape to their esteem for him. A committee was formed, the subscription list at once opened, and a good sum of money was soon subscribed. It was determined that the testimonial should take the form of a purse of gold. The testimonial has been subscribed to chiefly by those gentlemen whom Mr. Knight has been in the habit of meeting in the discharge of his duties, and by various tradesmen of the town; and as Mr. Knight has just removed his family to Wigan, it was thought that it would be best to make the presentation before he finally left the town. For this reason Monday was chosen, and invitations issued to the numerous subscribers to be present at dinner. A good number of gentlemen turned up, the chair being occupied by his Worship the Mayor (Mr. S. M. Webster). There were also present Mr. G. T. Moore (town clerk), Councillor Joseph Harrison, Councillor W. Woods, Mr. T. Morris (of the Pearson and Knowles Coal and Iron Co.), Mr. Milling, Mr. Finney, Mr. G. Rawling, Mr. Fogg, Mr. Lea, Mr. Mackay, Mr. C. Gerrard, Mr. R. Brown, &c. A most excellent dinner was served by the host and hostess (Mr. and Mrs. Pratt), which included most of the delicacies of the season, and gave great satisfaction. Dinner having been disposed of.

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The MAYOR proposed the toasts of "The Queen," "The Clergy and Bishop of the Diocese," responded to by Mr. Gerrard, and "The Army and Navy" responded to by Mr. Finney.

The MAYOR then said that the formal toasts having been disposed of, he approached the subject he was about to lay before them with very considerable diffidence. He was about to propose the health of their esteemed friend Mr. Knight. (Applause.) He had been, as they well knew, a member of the local press for a number of years, and in that position, he believed, had always done his duty honourably and fairly, and though he had made many friends he had made no enemies. After speaking in very eulogistic terms of Mr. Knight's abilities, he said he had very great pleasure in presenting him on behalf of the subscribers with a purse containing 50 guineas. In after years when he thought of this meeting, and this presentation, he hoped it would not be unassociated with pleasant memories and feelings of friendship to those he left behind. (Hear, here.) He trusted that the change he had made would be to his advantage in every sense of the word, and on behalf of the subscribers he wished him every success. (Applause.) He then called upon Mr. Lea to read the address.

Mr. Lea, before doing so, read a number of letters from several gentlemen apologising for their absence, and wishing success to Mr. Knight. He then read the address, which was a beautiful specimen of artistic illumination, as follows:-

To Mr. Daniel Knight, Editor of the Wigan Examiner.

Dear Sir, - We have requested you to meet us here previous to your final departure from Warrington, to ask your acceptance of this address and purse of fifty guineas as a small token of our sincere regard for you.

For more than twelve years you have been working quietly, modestly, and unostentatiously among us in the very important capacity of chief reporter to one of our local papers; and although your name has not often come to the surface, yet it is conceded by those who knew you intimately, that you have acted with very great prudence and moderation.

Your willingness, at all times, to lend your assistance to local matters which might be considered outside your professional duties, has had an additional claim upon the public sympathies, and has doubtless tended to secure new friends and to strengthen old friendships.

In conclusion, permit us, the committee, on behalf of the numerous subscribers, to wish you health, happiness, and a largely increased measure of prosperity in your new sphere.

We are, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

S. M. Webster, Mayor; Thomas Morris, vice-chairman; George Artingstall, J.P., John Armstrong, John Chappell, S. Wilkinson, M.A., Richard Cook, H. Milling, D. W. Finney, hon. Treasurer; G. T. Moore, Jos. Harrison, John Lea, hon. Sec. Warrington, 19th June, 1876.

Mr. Moore said he had known Mr. Knight for many years, and was extremely sorry that he was leaving them. The kindness he had received whilst he had been amongst them in Warrington, he felt he would duly reciprocate, and would accept the small testimonial, not for its value, but because it was a slight evidence of the esteem in which they held him, and had always held him since he came to Warrington. He trusted also that he would ever look upon this day as one of the happiest memories in his life. He sincerely congratulated him upon becoming editor of the Wigan Examiner, and wished him every success in life. (Applause.)

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Mr. MORRIS said he too had known Mr. Knight for many years, and had a great respect for him. He considered that he had done his duty well as a reporter in Warrington. Speaking of testimonials he said he did not believe in honouring a man when he was dead. He believed in giving him some tangible token of their esteem whilst he was living. He trusted Mr. Knight would long live, and have great prosperity. (Applause.)

Mr. FINNEY said he could not allow that occasion to pass without saying one or two words. He had known Mr. Knight ever since he came to Warrington, and had always admired the manner in which he had worked amongst them quietly and unobtrusively. (Hear. Hear.) He was quite sure that every gentleman present would admit that he had acted with very great prudence in his capacity as chief reporter of the Guardian. He trusted he would have his health spared to do good in Wigan as he had done with them. (Hear. Hear.)

Councillor HARRISON, speaking of the regard in which they held Mr. Knight, said it was a great pleasure for him to hear his testimony to the pleasant things which had been said. He believed him to have been a most able, efficient and conscientious adjunct to the Guardian. He expressed his regret at losing Mr. Knight, but he hoped their loss would be his gain, and trusted his new position would conduce to his future prosperity. (Applause.)

After a few words from Mr. Cook,

Mr. KNIGHT, in responding, said he was sure they would sympathise with him when he told them he could not find words sufficient to thank them for the very kind manner in which they had received his name, and for the very handsome testimonial they had presented him with. It might be thought by some that he was getting accustomed to this kind of thing, as that was his third presentation within the last five weeks. The first was from his friends at St. Paul's church. The second, which was from the Guardian office, gave him great pleasure. He believed it was subscribed to from the masters down to the smallest boy in the office. Coming to the testimonial of that evening, he felt a certain amount of regret in having to sever his connection with Warrington. It was 14 years ago since first he came to Warrington, and on the Guardian he had endeavoured always to do his duty, and the best evidence that he had succeeded was the handsome testimonial he had received that night. He regarded the testimonial as a very high compliment to himself, and the address he would always look upon with a great deal of pleasure. He trusted that in the position he was about to fill he would do his duty as heretofore, and meet with even greater success than he had met with in Warrington. He did indeed thank them from the bottom of his heart for this handsome testimonial. He felt that a very great effort had been put forth to collect such a handsome sum of money – (no, no,) – he felt so because they had been inundated, as it were, of late with testimonials, and this was a most munificent sum to raise. What with the Mayor presiding, and the representatives of a powerful company in the vice chair, he felt sure that very few reporters had ever left Warrington with better credentials than he did. He again thanked them for their kindness. (Loud applause.)

Mr. MILLING then proposed the toast of the Mayor and Corporation of Warrington, to which the Mayor, Mr. Moore, and Councillors Harrison and Woods responded.

Mr. MACKAY proposed the toast of the "Committee," which was duly honoured.

Mr. R. BROWN, as one of the Committee, responded to the toast, and referring to the great respect in which he held Mr. Knight, said in giving him his best wishes he would do so in the words of the Ayrshire poet, who in addressing a patron, said:-

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*May misfortune never touse him,
May wicked men n'eer bamboozle him,
Until a head as old's Methusalem
He cantie claw;
Thence to the New Jerusalem he wings awa'*

The remainder of the evening was spent in a convivial manner, voices of thanks being passed to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, and to the host for his excellent provision."

Nantwich Guardian, 10th April 1878, Page 8:-

"OBTAINING MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCES AT NANTWICH.

John Kinley, 25, fitter, pleaded guilty to obtaining 11s 3d by false pretences for Daniel Knight, at Nantwich, on the 5th March. – Mr Marshall, (who held the brief on behalf of Mr. Higgins, who was engaged in an appeal case in the other Court) said that some three months prior to the 5th March, the prisoner was employed at the Crewe Automatic Type-setting Works, of which Mr. Hall was manager. On the day named he was discharged, and in the afternoon he called on Mr. Knight, at the Guardian Office, Nantwich, and produced a letter which he said had been sent by Mr. Hall, as follows:- "If the bearer should get the glass sent for, please advance the money, and let me know. Forward the receipt." A short time previously the prisoner had been at the Guardian Office and left some glass tubing in the care of Mr. Knight, who knew he was employed at the Automatic Type-setting Works as fireman, and was not aware that he had been discharged. The prisoner produced a bill for the glass-tubing made out to Mr. Brimelow, of the mill foundry, Nantwich, from whom he had obtained the first lot. He was told to bring back the receipt; but as he did not do so, Mr. Knight telegraphed to Mr. Hall, and found that the whole thing was a fiction.- The prisoner said he did not write the letter, and had been persuaded to get the money by two other men who had part of it. He intended to repay it at the end of the week. – The Deputy-Chairman told him he ought to have pleaded not guilty. It was now too late to set up a defence of that kind. He was sentenced to three calendar months' hard labour."

Bath Argus, 3rd May 1878, Page 2:-

"DEATH OF AN OLD EMPLOYEE OF THE BATH GAS COMPANY. – On Thursday last the remains of Mr. John Knight, who was for upwards of half a century in the service of the Bath Gas Company, were interred in the cemetery, Lower Bristol-road. The deceased was in the 63rd year of his age. The chief mourners were the two sons of the deceased, Mr. John Knight, of Bath, and Mr. Daniel Knight, of Nantwich, Cheshire"

Widnes Examiner, 26th July 1901, Page 7:-

"Death of Mr. D. Knight, of Nantwich.

Mr Daniel Knight, late manager of the "Guardian" Nantwich, died at his residence Nantwich, shortly after two o'clock on Saturday afternoon, the immediate cause of death being acute peritonitis. The deceased was the second son of the late Mr John Knight, engineer of Bath, and was born in that city in 1863, and was engaged on the "Warrington Guardian." In 1868, under the late Dr Mackie he started the "Nantwich Guardian," and afterwards left to fill the position of chief reporter of the "Warrington Guardian." In 1875, he was appointed editor of the "Wigan Examiner," and on that

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occasion was the recipient of a very handsome testimonial from the inhabitants of the town where his services as editor were much appreciated. He left Wigan in 1876 and returned to Nantwich where he has been managing the "Guardian" ever since."

Northwich Guardian, 27th July 1901, Page 5:-

"FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. D. KNIGHT, OF NANTWICH.

The remains of the late Mr. D. Knight, of Nantwich, whose departure was recorded in Wednesday's issue, took place on Tuesday, at noon, in a very quiet manner. He had not expressed any wish as to the burial ground in which he would like to be laid to rest, and this selection was left to his daughters, who chose Acton Churchyard. By a curious coincidence the grave available there was next to the one in which lies the body of a dear old friend of his, the late Mr. Thomas Nixon, whose loss some years ago caused him great grief. The funeral procession started from the "Guardian" Office shortly after 11.30. Preceding the hearse were: - Messrs. W. Green (chairman), H. Hinde, G. Foden, and W. Harlock, directors of the Nantwich Victoria Cocoa House Company, on the Board of which the deceased had a seat; Mr. Thomas Parton, representative of the Nantwich Board of Guardians and Rural District Council; Mr. James Sadler, secretary of the Cheshire Milk Producers' Association, and Mr. Joseph Furber, representing the Nantwich Farmers' Club; Mr. P. H. Chesters, Mr. W. Lea (High-street), Mr. E. H. Williams (representing the "Chronicle"); Mr. E. Ferry, Mr. C. E. Forsdick, and Mr. John Whittingham. Then followed the hearse which contained the coffin of solid polished oak with brass fittings and a plate on which were engraved the words:- "Daniel Knight; died July 20th, 1901, aged 65." The first carriage contained the sons of the deceased, Mr. W. G. Knight, Mr. Walter Knight, Mr. Frank Knight, and Mr. Frederick Knight. In the second carriage were Mr. A. F. Hall (Pwllheli) and Mr. I. Leeson (Birmingham), brothers-in-law; and in the third, Mr. James Lawton, chief reporter of the Warrington "Guardian," and Mr. E. Hill, manager of the Crewe "Guardian," who represented the firm. Arrived at Acton Church at 12.15 (the bearers, who were Messrs. C. E. Forsdick, Jos. Furber, E. H. Williams and Houghton, carried the coffin into the church, where the officiating minister, the Rev. H. Moore, read the first portion of the Burial Service. Then the remains were removed to the grave, and the last sad rites performed by the Vicar. Wreaths, all of which were beautiful, were sent by the following:- The widow, sons and daughters, Miss Lovatt, Miss Topham, Miss Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Nixon, Mrs. Furnival, and family (Batherton Hall), Mr. T. Parton (Weston Hall), Mr. and Mrs. Stubbs (Broad-lane), Mrs. Julia Topham. The funeral arrangements were carried out by the admirable management of Mr. Houghton; and the hearse and carriages were supplied by Mr. John Acton, of Nantwich."

Nantwich Guardian, 2nd January 1914, Page 7:-

"NANTWICH MAN'S SUCCESS.

Mr. B. C. Knight, who held the rank of sergeant in the South African Mounted Rifles, has been promoted to lieutenant.

Mr. Knight is the fourth son of the late Mr. D. Knight. Of Nantwich, and of Mrs. Knight, of Stapeley. He went out to South Africa in the early part of 1900, soon after the outbreak of war, as a member of the 22nd Cheshire Yeomanry, and saw considerable service. With other members of the detachment he joined the Cape Mounted Police, and was for a time in the signalling department. In this arm of the service he has had a successful career. For the last few years he has been stationed in Vryburg, in British Bechuanaland, and was detailed for duty at Johannesburg during the Rand riots.

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“The Northern News,” published at Vryburg, referring to the appointment, says:-

We congratulate members of the old C.M.P. force, who are all well known locally, upon their promotion to the position of lieutenants in the S.A.M.R. All the men entered for examination some time ago, and it must be gratifying to the O.C. and members of the force to know that they have passed so well. Bertram Canning Knight, headed the list (of local competitors), and has been transferred to the second regiment stationed at Pietersmaritsburg.”

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Will of Enoch Hawksey of Nantwich, Watch Maker, Dated 24th September 1794, Proved 2nd February 1799:-

"In the Name of God Amen I Enoch Hawksey of / Nantwich in the County of Chester Watch-Maker being / Sick and Weak of Body but of Sound and perfect Mind and / Memory do make my last Will and Testament in manner / following (that is to say) I direct that all my just Debts which / I shall owe at the time of my decease shall be fully paid and I / leave the Ceremony of my Funeral to be performed by my / affectionate Wife Mary Hawksey in such decent Manner / as she in her direction shall think proper and I direct a / perfect Inventory of all my property shall be made and Subscribed / by my said wife for the satisfaction of my Children when they shall / be able to peruse the same And I do hereby impower her to / sell and dispose of such parts thereof as she may think will be / most for the benefit and Advantage of them and herself she putting / out to Interest the Money arising therefrom And I give and bequeath / unto her my said Wife that proceed Interest and produce of all my said / personal Estate and also the Rents and profits of my real Estate / for the Term of her natural Life for the Maintenance of herself and my / two Daughters Mary Hawksey and Catherine Hawksey and in / order to secure their dutiful behaviour to their Mother I do hereby / give her power by her last Will and Testament to dispose of the said / personal Estate between them in such Shares and Proportions as / she shall think fit and from and immediately after the decease / of my said Wife Mary Hawksey I give and devise my real / Estate unto my said two Daughters their Heirs and Assigns for / ever in equal Shares as Tenants in Common and not as joint / Tenants But if only one of my said Daughters shall survive / my Wife then I give the whole of such real and personal Estate to / such Surviving Daughter her Heirs Executors Administrators / and Assigns for ever And if both my Daughters shall happen to die in / [NEXT PAGE] In the life time of my Wife then I give and bequeath the whole / of such personal Estate unto her And I also give and devise my / real Estate to my said Wife Mary Hawksey her Heirs and / Assigns for ever Charged nevertheless with the yearly payment / of the Annuity or Sum of ten pounds unto my Brother Robert / Hawksey or his Assigns for and dureing the Term of his natural life / by two equal half yearly payments the first payment whereof / shall be made at the end of Six Months next after the decease / of the longest liver of my said two Daughters issue shall be then living / And I appoint my said Wife Mary Hawksey Sole Executrix / of this my last Will But it is nevertheless my Mind and Will / that if she shall happen to marry a second Husband that she / shall from and after such marriage have no manner of concern / with my real or personal Estate or the Executorship of this my / Will and I do hereby in that case give and bequeath to her the / Sum of fifty pounds only to be paid at the end of Six Months / next after such marriage in lieu of what I have here in before / given her And from thence forth I give my funeral Estate to my / said two Daughters to be equally divided between them share / and Share alike And I also give and Devise all my real Estate / to my said two Daughters their Heirs and Assigns for ever in / equal Shares as Tenants in common and not as joint Tenants / But if only one of my Daughters shall Survive such marriage / then I give Devise and bequeath the whole of my real and / personal Estate such Surviving Daughter her Heirs Executors admin- / istrators and Assigns for ever And from and after such Marriage / I appoint James Street of Woolston Wood and William Wright of / Elton Executors of this Will And lastly I do hereby revoke / all former and other Will or Wills by me made And declare this / [NEXT PAGE] Only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the / said Enoch Hawksey have here unto set my Hand and Seal the twenty / fourth Day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven / hundred and Ninety four.

[SIGNED] Enoch Hawksey

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Signed Sealed published and declared by / the Testator Enoch Hawksey as and for / his last Will and Testament in the presence / of us who have Subscribed our Names as / Witnesses hereunto in his presence and in / the presence of each other

[SIGNED] Eddowes Bowman / William Cooke / John Hyde

[PROVED] The 2nd Day of February / 1799 James Street / and William Wright / the Executors above written / were Sworn in Com / mon Form / before me W[illia]m Morgan / Surrogate / Effects above £300 / & Under £600 / Probate issued Dated / 2nd February 1799."

Abstract of the Will of Enoch Hawksey of Nantwich, Watch Maker, Dated 16th February 1799:-

"Sworn Sum of Probate: £600

Testator: Enoch Hawksey of Nantwich, County of Chester, Watchmaker

Executor: James Street of Woolstan Wood, & William Wright of Elton, County of Chester

Legate [Inheritor]: Brother Robert, Mary & Catherine, Daughters

Legacies: An annuity of £10 for life to commence at the decease of the longest liver of Testator's two Daughters if he be then living."

Will of Josiah Lythgoe of Nantwich, Draper, Haberdasher and Tea Dealer, Dated 28th July 1821, Proved 11th September 1821:-

"In the Name of God Amen. I Josiah Lythgoe of Nantwich Township and Parish of Nantwich and County / and diocese of Chester Draper, Haberdasher and Tea Dealer being of sound mind memory and understanding / thank God, Do make and publish my last Will and Testament as follows, that is to day, In the first place / I direct all my just debts funeral expenses and the charges of the Probate of this will to be fully paid off and discharged / I give, devise and bequeath unto my friends John Withinshaw Currier and James Plevin saddler both of Nantwich / aforesaid or the survivor of them, his Heirs, Executors administrators or assigns all my three messuages or dwelling / Houses Shop and their appurtenances situate in the High Town and occupied by my self [?] [?] and / George Orme and all other my real estate and all my stock in Trade, Book, Debts Ready Money and other / Personal Estate of whatever nature or kind, Upon special trust and confidence that they my said Trus- / tees or the survivor of them his Heirs Executors and administrators do and shall satisfy and confirm / the disposal thereof in such manner as hereinafter named that is to say that all my real and personal / Estate of whatever nature and kind by enjoyed by My beloved Wife Sarah Lythgoe and taken Rents Issues / and Profits for her own support during her natural life And after the death of my said dear wife / it is my Will and I do hereby direct that my said Trustees, or the Survivor of them his Heirs Executors or ad- / ministrators do divide my Whole estate and distribute it in the manner & following That is / to say to my dearly beloved daughter Peggy Shaw the Sum of Ten Pounds, To my dear son Peter Lythgoe / the Sum of Five Pounds and to my Daughter Mary Lythgoe the residue of my personal / Estate of whatever nature or kind together with all my real estate described above consisting of three dwelling / Houses or messuages, Shop and their appurtenances situate in High Town Nantwich aforesaid now / occupied as aforesaid That if my daughter Mary Lythgoe should die before she becomes [?] / to the whole of my real and the residue of my personal estate having lawful Issue then I will that / such issue enjoy the said estate, and if she die without lawful issue then I give and bequeath all my said / real and residual

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personal estate to my Daughter Peggy Shaw to be by her enjoyed after the decease of my / daughter Mary Lythgoe if without issue but [?] before entitled to the estate, I Will that it shall and may / lawful for my Trustees or the Survivor of them his Heirs executors and administrators to declare of and [?] / to themselves and himself all such [?] damages or expenses as they or any of them shall sustain / suffer or be subject to in or [?] execution of the Trusts reposed in him by this my Will / and I nominate constitute and appoint the said John Withinshaw and James Plevin / Executors of this my Will and truly revoking all former wills and testamentary dispositions / declare this to be my last will and Testament In witness whereof I set my Hand and / Seal this twenty eight Day of July and in the year of our Lord one thousand and Eight Hundred and / Twenty One

N.B. If she omission? Be of Importance, I just say that I mean that / my daughter Mary Lythgoe's title to my real and personal estate extends / to her Heirs, Executors, administrators and assigns / this note is made before I sign and [?] and to the / [?]

[SIGNED] Josiah Lythgoe

Signed, sealed and published by the said / Josiah Lythgoe for and as his last / Will and Testament in presence /of us who subscribe our Names / as witnesses to attest the same / and the execution hereof in his / sight and presence being first unto / time with the last note

[SIGNED] Ann Leigh / Mary Ann Hulse / Elizabeth Fox"

Will of Thomas Shaw of Nantwich, Draper, Dated 28th August 1844, Proved 14th April 1855:-

"This is the last Will and Testament of me **Thomas / Shaw** of Nantwich in the County of Chester Draper First I direct / my debts funeral and testamentary expences to be paid out of my / personal Estate I **give and bequeath** to my Wife Mary Shaw / the sum of One hundred Pounds of lawful English money to be / paid to her as soon as conveniently may be after my decease I / **give and devise** All those my two several Messuages Cottages / or Dwellinghouses with the Gardens and appurtenances thereto / belonging situate lying and being in Shaws Row in the Township / of Culcheth in the County of Lancaster and now in the occupation / of James Lowe or in his undertenants unto my Son Thomas Shaw / his heirs and assigns for ever I **give and devise** unto my / said Son Thomas Shaw and my Son-in-Law James Tomlinson / Morgan of Preston in the County of Lancaster and my Friend / James Allwood of Nantwich aforesaid Draper All that my / Messuage or Dwellinghouse and Shop with the Garden and / appurtenances thereunto belonging situate and being in the / High Street in the Township and Parish of Nantwich, in the / County of Chester and now in my own occupation And also / all that my Pew or Seat situate in the West Gallery of the / Parish Church of Nantwich, aforesaid now in my own occupation / And also all other my Messuages Lands Tenements hereditaments / and real Estates (not hereinbefore disposed of) whatsoever and / wheresoever of or to which I or any other person or persons / in trust for me am is or are seised or entitled for an estate / of freehold and inheritance or of freehold only in possession / reversion remainder or expectancy or of which I have power / to dispose or appoint by this my Will with their rights / members and appurtenances (except such estates as are vested / in me upon any trust or trusts or by way of mortgage with / their rights members and appurtenances) **To hold** the same / unto and to the use of my said Son Thomas Shaw and / the said James Tomlinson Morgan and James Allwood their / heirs and assigns according to the nature and quality thereof / respecting I **upon** and for the trusts intents and purposes and / with under and subject to the powers provisoes and declarations / [NEXT PAGE] hereinafter expressed and

declared of and concerning the same / **I give and bequeath** all my goods chattels capital and stock / in trade money and securities for money debts and other / personal Estate and Effects of what kind soever of in or to / which I or any person or persons in trust for me shall be / entitled at the time of my decease (except such part or parts / thereof as I shall or may by this my Will or by any Codicil / or Codicils thereto dispose of specifically or what I otherwise / dispose of by this my Will I unto my said Son Thomas Shaw / and the said James Tomlinson Morgan and James Allwood / their executors administrators and assigns according to the / nature and quality thereof respectively **Upon** the trusts and / for the intents and purposes hereinafter expressed and contained / of an concerning the same **And** I do hereby declare my / will and mind to be that my said real and personal estate / hereinbefore devised and bequeathed to my said Son Thomas / Shaw and the said James Tomlinson Morgan and James / Allwood their heirs executors administrators and assigns / respectively as aforesaid are so devised and bequeathed **Upon** / trust that they my said Son Thomas Shaw and the said James / Tomlinson Morgan and James Allwood and the survivors and / survivor of them and the heirs executors administrators and / assigns of such survivor do and shall with all convenient / speed after my decease call in and convert unto money my / said personal estate or such part thereof as shall not consist / of money **And** do and shall absolutely sell and dispose of my / said freehold and real estates and pew or seat either entirely / or altogether or in parcels by public auction or private contract / to any person or persons willing to become the purchaser or / purchasers thereof respectively for such price or prices sum or / sums of money as to my said Son Thomas Shaw and the / said James Tomlinson Morgan and James Allwood or the / survivors or survivor of them or the heirs executors administrators / [NEXT PAGE] or assigns of such survivor shall seem reasonable and for / promoting and facilitating such sale or sales do and shall / enter unto make and execute all such contracts covenants / agreements conveyances assurances acts deeds matters and things / which to my said Trustees or the survivors or survivor of them / or the heirs executors or administrators of such survivor shall / seem reasonable **And** I do hereby declare that the receipt or / receipts of my said Trustees and the survivors and survivor of / them and the heirs executors and administrators and assigns of / such survivor for any money payable to them or sum under this / my Will shall effectually discharge the person or persons / paying the same from being answerable or accountable for / the misapplication or nonapplication thereof or of any part / thereof or from being obliged to see to the application thereof / or of any part thereof or the enquire unto the necessity or / prosumption of any Sale that may be made by virtue of this my / Will **And** I do hereby declare my will and mind to be that / my said Son Thomas Shaw and the said James Tomlinson / Morgan and James Allwood and the survivors and survivor of / them and the executors administrators or assigns of such / survivor do and shall stand and be possessed of and / interested in all the money to arise from the Sale or / Sales hereinbefore by me directed to be made of my said / messuage and Shop Pew or Seat and Real Estate or to arise / and be produced from that part of my personal Estate / which I have directed to be converted into money **Upon** / trust that they my said Son Thomas Shaw and the said / James Tomlinson Morgan and James Allwood and the / survivors and survivor of them and the executors / administrators or assigns of such survivor do and shall / pay distribute and divide the same unto and amongst / all and every my Child and Children (namely) Mary / Anne Morgan the wife of the said James Tomlinson / Morgan, my Daughter Martha Shaw, my said Son Thomas Shaw and / my Daughter Margaret Shaw in equal shares and / proportions as Tenants in common the share of my / [NEXT PAGE] Daughter the said Mary Anne Morgan to be paid into / the proper hands of her the said Mary Anne Morgan / for her sole and separate use and benefit exclusive / of her present or any future Husband and without / being subject to his debts control interference or / engagements and her receipt alone shall be a good / and sufficient discharge for the same **I give devise / and bequeath** unto my said Son Thomas Shaw / and the said James Tomlinson Morgan and / James Allwood All such real estates as are now / vested in me upon any trust or trusts or by way / of mortgage and which I have power to dispose / of by this my will with

their appurtenances **To / Hold** the same unto my said Son Thomas Shaw / and the said James Tomlinson Morgan and James / Allwood their executors administrators and assigns according / to the nature and quality thereof respectively **Upon / trust** to hold and dispose of the said trust estates in / the manner in which they ought to be held or disposed / of pursuant to the said Trusts and upon payment of / the money secured on such mortgage to convey or / assign the estates in mortgage to the person or / persons entitled thereto for the time being And I do / hereby declare that my said Trustees and the / survivors and survivor of them and the heirs executors / administrators and assigns of such survivor shall be / charged and chargeable respectively for such monies / only as they respectively shall actually receive by / virtue of the trusts hereby in them reposed notwithstanding / their or any of their giving or signing or joining in / giving or signing any receipt or receipts for the sake / of conformity And any one or more of them shall not / be answerable or accountable for the others or other of / them or for involuntary losses And also that it shall / be lawful for them with and out of the monies that / shall come to their respective hands by virtue of the / [NEXT PAGE] trusts aforesaid to retain to and reimburse themselves / respectively and also to allow their co Trustees and Co Trustee / all costs charges damages and expences which they or any / of them shall or may suffer sustain expend disburse be / at or be put unto in or about the execution of the aforesaid / trusts or in relation thereunto And I appoint my said / Son Thomas Shaw and the said James Tomlinson / Morgan and James Allwood Executors of this my Will / And I do hereby revoke and make void all former / Wills and Codicils by me at any time heretofore made / and declare this to be my last Will and Testament / **In witness** whereof I the said Thomas Shaw the Testator / have to this my last Will and Testament contained on / five sheets of paper hereunto set my hand and have / also subscribed my name at the bottom of each of the / foregoing sheets for the purpose of identifying the same as / part thereof this twenty eighth day of August in the year of / our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four.

[SIGNED] Thos Shaw

Signed Published Acknowledged / and declared by the above named Testator / Thomas Shaw as and for his last Will and / Testament, in the presence of us present at the same / time who in his presence at his request and in / the presence of each other have hereunto set our / hands as witnesses thereto and have also / subscribed our names to each of the foregoing / sheets for the purpose of identifying the same / as part thereof.

[SIGNED] Thomas Cooper Tailor Nantwich / Tho Rigby writing clerk, Nantwich

The fourteenth day of April 1855 / Thomas Shaw, one of the Executors to this Will named, was sworn in / common form, power being reserved to James Tomlinson Morgan and James / Allwood, the other Executors therein also named, to take upon them / the Execution of the said Will, when they shall lawfully request / the Same; And he further made oath that the personal / Estate and Effects of the Testator within the Diocese of Chester, were / under the value of £800 before me AF Chater Surrogate / The Testator died the 24th day of February, 1855 / Probate issued / Dated 19th April 1855."

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From the Net

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Enoch Hawksey (1750-1795), Watch Maker of Nantwich

Hutchinson Scott Auctioneers @ North Yorkshire

1st November 2024 @ 10am

Lot 1133

ENOCH HAWKSEY, NANTWICH A GEORGE III EIGHT-DAY FIGURED MAHOGANY LONGCASE CLOCK: the 13 inch painted square dial with gilt spandrels and Roman chaptering enclosing a second's dial and date aperture, fronting an eight-day weight-driven movement with anchor escapement and rack strike on a bell. The case with swan neck pediment, ring turned columns and arched top trunk door with panelled base.

221cm high inc finial

Result undisclosed

Estimated at £200 - £300



Source: <https://www.hutchinsonscott.co.uk/auction/lot/1133-enoch-hawksey-nantwich-a-george-iii-eight-day-figured-mahogany-longcase-clock/?lot=46063&sd=1>

Watsons Auctioneers
@ East Sussex
22nd August 2023 @ 9.30am
Lot 86

Enoch Hawksey, painted
grandfather clock dial with
movement marked Wilson - 13.25"
wide

Result £40
Estimate £20-40

Source:

**[https://watsonsauctioneers.co.uk/
catalogue/lot-number-86-17/](https://watsonsauctioneers.co.uk/catalogue/lot-number-86-17/)**



Nantwich Clockmakers

"Enoch Hawksey 1779-1799



Two clocks by Enoch Hawksey were catalogued, the one with a brass face having an unusual centrally-mounted month date pointer and the days of the month engraved on the inside of the chapter ring. There is also a Halliwell dial with the maker's signature in the arch. He is known to have had a shop in High Town Nantwich and it is thought to have been at 45 High Street, which was recently occupied by Bridgfords, the estate agents."

Source: <https://nantwichmuseum.org.uk/nantwich-clockmakers/>

Examples of Spiritual Protection

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Burn or Taper Marks

Burn Marks are apotropaic (i.e. they 'ward off evil'). These types of apotropaica, are also known as Spiritual Protection or Witch Marks. They exist in many historic timber-framed buildings, or timbers within historic stone or brick buildings, and sometimes on timbers in medieval churches. They are also known as scorch or taper marks. They were originally thought to have been unintentional, however in recent years their protective attributes and intentional use has been verified, through the evidence of experimental archaeology.

Again like the use of dragons and salamanders, the latter appearing on Churche's Mansion in Nantwich; their deliberate form, made by charring the wood with a candle or taper, often the gouging out of the charred wood with a tool, and then the rubbing of them with the finger, to form a droplet or tear shape like groove, in a patient ritual; is the symbolic use of fighting fire with fire. But they are also thought to guard against lightning too.

These marks may have been made soon after a building or extension was erected, or at some point in its life (although some examples had been added prior to the timbers being erected, by the carpenters in their framing yard). A ritual of burn marking was performed, possibly at All Hallows, Christmas or the feast of Candlemas, when candles held power, and blessed candles were available from churches, and thus used to guard against malevolent forces, in opposition to God. They are sometimes found singularly, but are often found in multiples.

It is also thought that these symbols may have been burnt into timbers which existed in areas of shadow within rooms, where demonic forms may hide in the darkness. In this way, they light the gloom, symbolically with the heavenly Light.

In Cheshire there are over 250 examples of burn marks at Little Moreton Hall. They exist upon the timber-frame, wall panelling and to some doors, to numerous rooms.

Care must be taken when identifying burn or scorch marks on old timber-framed buildings, because sometimes death watch or woodworm insect holes upon the timbers have sometimes been treated with a solution which leaves a dark stain.

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At 45 High Street in Nantwich, there are at least three discernible burn marks to both sides of the timber-framed walls to the middle of the front shop area. This large room was likely two rooms originally, separated by a wall, fireplace, stairs and doorway. This is reinforced by the downward braces either side of each opposing wall's timber post uprights, to the timber-framing, which would have given strength to the original internal wall, and the whole of the structure.



There are also two carpenter's marks, although one may be a scratched apotropaic mark (see below right).



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Burn Marks at Little Moreton Hall in Cheshire

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