

MIDDLETON-ON-THE-WOLDS HISTORY GROUP



THE MERCHANTS OF MIDDLETON

Before Baines Directory there are occasional references to trades etc in the Parish Registers such as:

BURIALS	13 January 1692	Attorney at Law
	1 June 1764	Wm Brighton - Shoemaker
	29 November 1765	Thomas Stork - Shoemaker
	27 June 1784	Amy Writhel - Weaver
	3 April 1785	Wm Hood - Blacksmith
	13 July 1787	James Sanderson - Shoemaker.

Baines Directory of Yorkshire was published in **1822** and the following are listed:-

BLACKSMITHS	-	Dove, William
	-	Morris, James
BUTCHER	-	Newlove, George
CARPENTER & WHEELWRIGHT	-	Sterriker, William
CARRIERS	-	Robert Bowser, Philip Imeson, George Robson and John Shields
	-	(To Beverley on Saturday and Driffeld on Thursday. Depart mornings and return same evenings).
CORNMILLER	-	Rountree, Robert
GARDENER	-	Coventry, James
INNKEEPERS	-	Kirby, Matthew - Vict. Board-
	-	Petch, John - Vict. Robin Hood
SHOEMAKERS	-	Etherington, Thomas
	-	Oxtoby, William
	-	Robinson, David
SHOPKEEPERS	-	Burkinshaw, Matthew
		Welch, William
		Witty, William

By **1892** the railway and telegraph had arrived and Bulmer's Directory of that year lists a good variety of businesses:-

BLACKSMITHS	-	Dove, John
	-	Thompson, William
BOOTMAKERS	-	Powell, Isaac
	-	Railton, Robert
BRICKLAYER	-	Eastwood, William
BUTCHER	-	Thompson, James
CARRIERS	-	Soanes, Mrs Jane (Beverley, Saturday Drifffield, Thursday, Hull, Tuesday)
	-	Syred, Geo, Drifffield Thursday, Beverley, Saturday
	-	Towse, Benj Richardson, Market Weighton Wednesday, Drifffield Thursday, Beverley Saturday, Hull Tuesday & Friday
DRESSMAKER	-	Newlove, Miss Sarah
GROCER & FARRIER	-	Wright, William
GROCER & MARKET GARDENER	-	Hotham, William
GROCER, ROPE & SHEEP NET MAKERS	-	Simpson, Mrs Hannah & Wm
GROCERS	-	Appleton, Mrs Mary
	-	Gossip, William
	-	Moate, Robert
	-	Towse, Alfred Edwin
	-	Soanes, Mrs Jane
HORSE OWNER	-	Simpson, Thomas
JOBGING GARDENER	-	Imeson, Philip
JOINERS	-	Belt, Henry
	-	Petch, William
	-	Railton, John
	-	Warley, George
MARKET GARDENER	-	Witty, Joseph
MILLER	-	Storey, William
POLICE CONSTABLE	-	Parker, James
POULTRY DEALERS	-	Branton, Jonathan
	-	Soanes, Charles
POST MASTER	-	Moate, Robert
	-	Soanes, Charles
SADDLERS	-	Day, Henry
	-	Pinkney, Tom
SHOEMAKER	-	Norman, Thomas
STATION MASTER	-	George, Julian
TAILORS	-	Hesslewood, William
	-	Ruston, Henry
	-	Tranmer, Matthew
THRASHING MACHINE OWNER	-	Shipley, John
VICTUALLERS	-	Dent, Frederick - Robin Hood
	-	Dove, Simpson – Rose & Crown

By **1937** road transport was well established opening up the possibilities of increased trade outside the village. In spite of this Kelly's Directory for that year still indicates considerable internal business activity:

AGRICULTURAL SEED AGENT	-	Dooks, Walt
BANK MANAGER	-	Waters Appleton (Yorkshire Penny Bank open every other Monday 6.30 pm – 7 pm)
BLACKSMITH	-	Dove, Geo.
BOOTMAKER	-	Towse, Richard
BUILDER	-	Eastwood, Geo. Tom
BUTCHER	-	Burnett, Harry
CARRIER	-	Soanes, George Tom (to Hull, Friday & Drifffield, Tuesday)
CHIMNEY SWEEP	-	Linford, Jsph.
COAL DEALER	-	Dove, Fred
JOINERS	-	Dunn, Joseph Wright, William Jun.
MARKET GARDENER	-	Abbot, Fras
MOTOR ENGINEER	-	Soanes, Jn. Jun
MOTOR HAULAGE		
CONTRACTORS	-	Allen, Wm Soanes, Wilfred
ROBIN HOOD PUBLIC HOUSE	-	Bell, Rt
ROSE & CROWN PUBLIC HOUSE	-	Dove, Percy
SADDLER	-	Soanes, Walt
SHOE MAKERS	-	Norman, Henry Powell, Lythe
SHOPKEEPERS	-	Chapman, Mrs Emily Ann Dove, Charles Frederick Foley, Robert Jackson Moate, John Robert Whincup, Mrs Emily Jane
TAILORS	-	Drewery, Thos. Goodall Walton, Jn
WHITING MANUFACTURERS	-	Middleton Whiting Co.