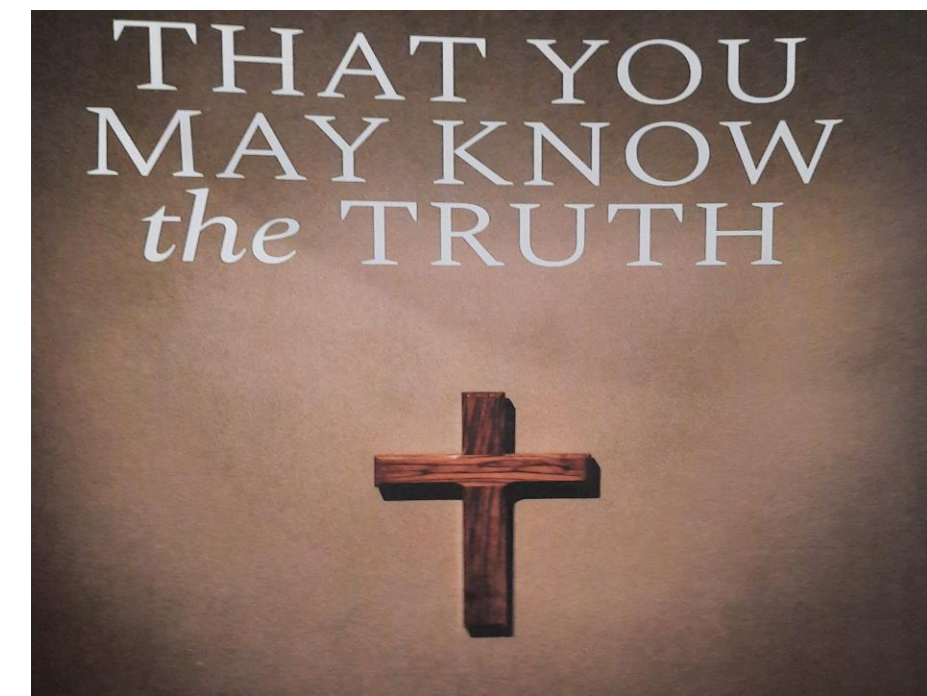


*Lizzie
Dean..... The
Ghost of the Sun
Inn, Chipping,
Lancashire*

Author and researcher
Alan Briggs.



A truer story of Elizabeth Dean, a real life Cinderella of Chipping, but with no happy ending. Perhaps that is why her apparition is seen from time to time. Her troubled soul longing for the truth to be known and to avenge.



I found this magazine cover on my second visit to the church in October 2023. A reminder from Lizzie to get on with it ?



“There is a hallowed sweetness in cherishing a remembrance of those we loved.”

At the very moment I typed this, her inscription above, I had just heard that one of my dearest old friends had just died. How curious. Eddie Whittle RIP.

The place where her story begins and ends.



The Sun Inn and St. Bartholomew's, Chipping, Lancashire

The Preface: What moves me to write about Lizzie?

BLACKBURN July 2023

My interest in the story of Elizabeth Dean was triggered this week through Facebook and Youtube. An old friend, David McGarry, and his daughter Jane Ivers, who live in Chipping raised my curiosity in her tragic suicide and alleged hauntings. The back-story of her life as I am to discover has echoes in the life of my own daughter. Lizzie Dean as you will learn had a sister and four brothers and her inquest branded her as a lunatic, yet she should have been a girl of property and substance with an equal share with her mother in her late father's Will. You see, I too have a daughter Elizabeth, and we call her Lizzie, with four brothers and a mother who abused and maltreated her, robbing her of her inheritance from her grandfather and even two Trust Funds. They have had no contact in over 20 years, not even a birthday card after throwing her out of her own home. I feel that the emotional damage of this rejection is the kind of trauma which leads to despair and it must have been like that for Lizzie Dean not able to turn to someone to support her especially since she had no father to turn to; happily my Lizzie did and made her own way and sensibly returned to me.

She has lived with me, her father, ever since. In today's parlance she has "learning difficulties" but is loving and faithful and wise in her own way. I and my now good wife and son dedicate our lives to her welfare and, as young Miss Dean apparently appears in colourful clothes, she too loves her extensive wardrobe and likes to be stylish. She likes going out to places so it was a special day when we visited Chipping to start our research this week together with her Godfather Tony Moss a very dear old friend and fellow musician.



St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Chipping.

I have often visited the Catholic Church there to see my friends the priests: Fr. Tony Dutton and Fr. John Sullivan for whom I play the organ occasionally. St. Mary's, the Roman Catholic Church, was founded just two years after Lizzie's untimely death.

We love this area but our courting were days spent mainly in the Cobbled Corner Café across the road, highly recommended! I didn't have time to go in that day but we had a fine lunch on a subsequent occasion in October.



The Cobbled Corner cafe

I had never before been in the Sun Inn, nor had I ever before entered St. Bartholomew's, the Anglican Parish Church, nor had I ever before heard of the grave of Lizzie Dean in spite of my many sojourns to these parts. That day we did all three things and the grave was easy to find, the church open and beautiful, all the lights came on via a sensor as we entered, and the pints in the pub were refreshing and a chat with the lady bar-tender was very interesting; she said she, like many others, had felt Lizzie's presence.

What a splendid place The Sun Inn is with lots of pictures and interesting artefacts. A lovely walnut piano and in the room opposite an old pub game, Bull Ring, with a hook on the wall; you swing a rope to try and loop the ring over a hook. The rope is often seen swinging for no apparent reason when Lizzie is around.

The stairs you see in the picture feature in one Landlord's sighting of Lizzie, he particularly remembered her footwear, typical clogs.





My wonderful only daughter Elizabeth Ann

On my subsequent October visit I found a boy George Birchall playing the game with great skill and he took great delight in showing me how to do it. With permission from his father I took a picture of his arm reaching to the hook. Curiously his name is that of Lizzie's father (George Dean) and they were staying at Brick House Farm, now a caravan site, where James Lund moved to and died. Messages from the grave I had just again visited or maybe a curious coincidence? Read on ! Who are these people I mention : George and James?... all will be revealed!



My Lizzie and The Bull Ring Game



Well done again, George !

There have been several sightings reported over the years of a gaily clad girl seated in the pub and in this very room and then wandering off, sometimes apparently through the wall ! I, like many, remain sceptical as one never gets to hear at first-hand these accounts. Rattling glasses and “some bloke from Scotland” is cited but he didn’t leave his contact address and was spirited away back to the land of malt whiskey; perhaps he had one too many drams when he passed through Chipping. The YouTube videos are intriguing, especially the one where men had been playing snooker in an upstairs room when she apparently walks past them and down the stairs. Firstly, I will examine these as some are well produced and they are the main source for me of the accounts of her ghostly presence. I do hope that this writing produces contacts who may have their own experiences of Lizzie and what we call para-normal events. I look forward to making new friends!

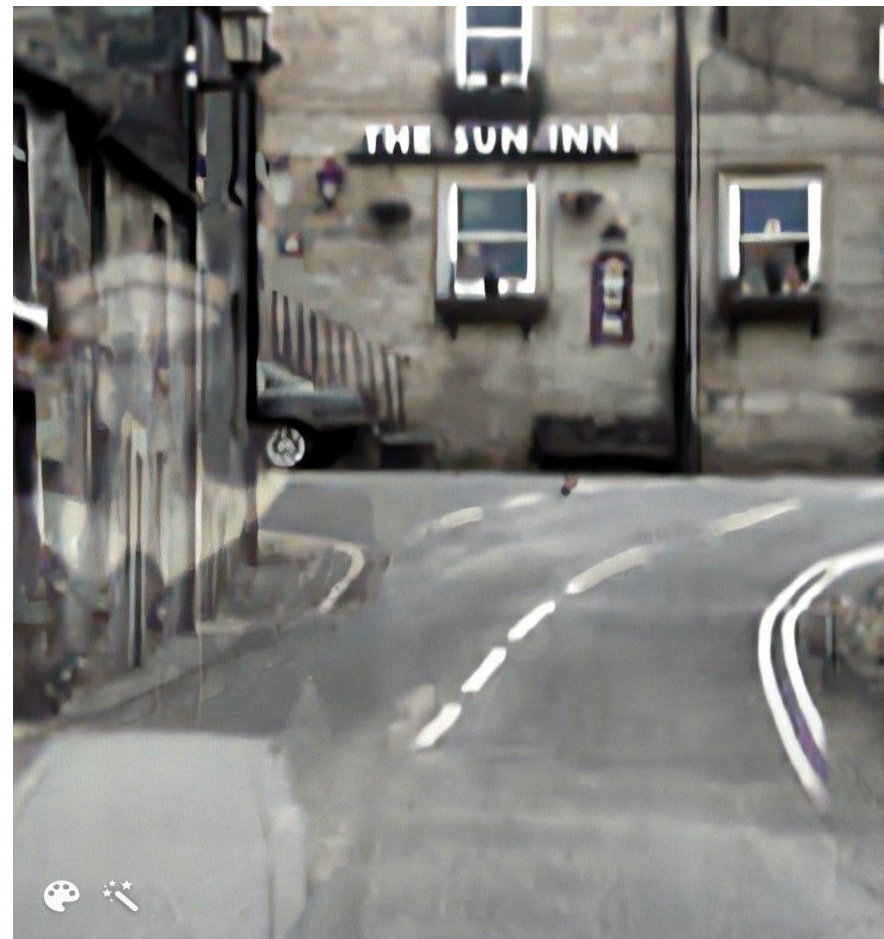
Chapter 1 : The sightings and accounts on YouTube



St. Bartholomew's Church, Chipping

(You can click on the blue links if you are reading this on a computer it should take you to the original sources.)

(352) [Lizzie Dean had once been a humble cleaner at The Sun Inn, Chipping - YouTube](#)
Donald Jay from Nelson. He has Lizzie as a humble cleaner but with a lover called Samuel which *is* spooky as that was the name of her grandfather Samuel Dean who had died when she was a baby.



Sometimes she has been seen as a typical waitress

[\(352\) Lizzie Dean Chipping The Sun Inn Haunting Manifestation - YouTube](#)

Donald Jay has a second go at the story. Now he says John is the name of the rotter but in this story he simply disappears just as the Ghost of Lizzie. He mentions a Mr. Brown; was there ever a landlord called Brown? – ***not*** in my research !

[\(352\) The Grave of Elizabeth Dean in Chipping - YouTube](#)

This is just a short presentation showing her grave and walking towards the Sun Inn and showing the windows of the attics and the Yew tree.

[\(352\) Great British Ghosts - The Sun Inn and Samlesbury Hall \(S02E12\) - YouTube](#)

Michaela Strachan *“goes to the The Sun Inn, Ribble Valley, which claims to be the most haunted pub in Lancashire thanks to the ghost of Lizzie Dean, a maid who committed suicide in the pub's attic in 1935 !”*...lol...Well that's surely a typing error. A local psychic Michelle Stavert is interviewed. She is confident but is just re-stating some of the old stories although she does claim that the man who was to blame was of some consequence and wealth which is different from other accounts which always has him as a young lad. She said he had “cancelled his wedding” and promised to marry her instead, unfortunately she goes on to describe how the wedding still took place on that fateful day which of course is totally untrue as I will reveal. I wonder where she got this information of a wealthy man?this might be true to my researchall other stories say he is just a lad. I think she may have been on to something there !

The Landlord in this is Rob Hedges and he has first-hand accounts especially of the footwear he saw, clogs, as Lizzie walked up the stairs, he was quite specific about that. He tells the story of the walk through of the one-time snooker room. He is quite matter of fact and shows the presenter the Bull Ring game with the swinging rope. They go up into the attic room and they look at a beam where it is said she hanged herself from. They go out to the stables with beautiful horses and he explains how there was some strange experience of a ghost child called Bethany.

Michelle Stavert, just re-tells the story of a man from Edinburgh, Scotland, which is also told by Simon Entwistle, a local celebrity Ghost Raconteur. As a psychic she gets many facts wrong but she introduces a claim that Lizzie put a curse on her lover and his lass and reads from a script and even says she is buried under the *Elm* tree and everyone knows it is a Yew Tree. The curse which Michelle Stavert introduced is an ancient one which predates this by centuries. She is also wrong about where Lizzie was buried. She *is* in fact buried in consecrated ground and not “the far corner” of the graveyard. The landlord’s accounts ring true but Michelle is way off the mark apart from her claim that he was a “man of consequence”. This is what I believe, too.

[\(354\) Haunted Inns of the Ribble Valley The Sun Inn - YouTube](#)

Simon Entwistle is excellent in his many productions I do like him. The description of Lizzie as a scullery maid, the mysterious Alicia Traynor and the elusive rotter David are simply the stories he has been told. I wrote to him and he explained that he is just a narrator rather than a researcher and indeed why spoil a good story? He said he just recounts what he has heard from others. Simon says the man from Edinburgh rang him up, a John Baird to tell him of meeting Lizzie in the Bull Ring Room, he spoke to her but she walked off and faded away... but a bit like the Loch Ness monster they fade away too into the Land of The Trossachs, although I must admit here to knowing someone who has seen a large mammal in the Loch which could not be explained and it is one of the official recorded sightings. Joking apart I do think, however, this is probably a credible sighting of Lizzie, but it would be nice to interview this “man of the kilt” at first hand.

[\(352\) The Sad Tale of Lizzie Dean \(1835\) and Her Last Message From Beyond The Grave! - YouTube](#)

This video alleges it was a James Freeman and an Elsie Traynor. I think there was a *James* but he was not a “free-man”. It does however contain a cutting from a newspaper saying she was of a respectable family and it led me to finding this amazing contemporaneous report, for which I thanked them :

Westmorland Gazette

AND KENDAL ADVERTISER.

PRINTED AND PUBLISHED FOR THE PROPRIETORS BY TYRAS REDHEAD, MARKET-PLACE, KENDAL.

Vol. XVIII.—No. 399.

Saturday, November 21, 1835.

Price Sevenpence.

THIS PRESENT SATURDAY RE-OPENING OF COMPTON HOUSE.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF KENDAL AND ITS VICINITY.

J. STEADMAN AND Co.,

BEG Respectfully to announce the Arrival of their Extensive STOCK, consisting of 4ths and 4ths Irish Linens, Linen Dowels, Shetlings, Table Linens, Blankets, Flannels, Counterpanes, Quilts, Shawls, Silks, Prints, Merinos, Furs, Ribbons, Hosiery, and Gloves, with a large assortment of Woollen Cloths, Plain and Corded Fustians, Waistcoatings, Hats, &c. &c.

The whole of the Stock having been bought for cash—there will be found some of the most DECIDED BAN-

the house, and walk about the rooms. From this it would seem that the wretched man, agitated by remorse, or suffering, had felt some desire to call for assistance. Perhaps, too, he was the last to swallow the poison, having wished to acquire the certainty before his own end, of that of his victims.

DISTRESSING EVENT AT CHIPPING.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

LIFE'S STAGES.—At twenty, we kill pleasure; at thirty, taste it; at forty, we husband it! at fifty we see it; at sixty, we regret it.

Earl Spencer remains at Althorp, where, the newspapers say, his Lordship is engaged in writing a treatise on theology. Some thieves last week broke into his Lordship's library, but found nothing worth carrying away.

The Union Workhouse, under the New Poor Law which seems equally fatal to rustic honesty and happiness have—in honour of their Right Hon., and Noble, and Learned founder,—a title likely to stick; one, we are sure, that no *Drom* can "sweep" away. They are called "Isaac Tomkinses."

BEAUTY.—Remember that, if thou marry for beauty thou bindest thyself all thy life for that which perchance will neither last nor please thee one year; and when thou hast it, it will be to thee of no price at all, for the price at which it is attained, and the affliction which

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We may now say that this melancholy occurrence produced the most extraordinary sensation in the neighbourhood, and as the causes which led to it, and some of the circumstances by which it has been attended, are of a singularly interesting character, we shall, with all brevity, detail them; premising, however, that we neither wish to aggravate the cruelty of their character, nor to perpetuate the feeling of prejudice which exists against the individual whose inconsiderate (the mildest description we can give of it) conduct has occasioned the lamentable tragedy. The deceased, Elizabeth Deans, then, had for some time past received the attentions of a young man in the neighbourhood, and they had been paid to her, as she, it seems, had fondly trusted, in a sincerity corresponding with their apparent candour and affection. Up to Sunday week, this young confiding creature had seen no cause to doubt her lover's truth: he visited her on that day, and made her heart joyful in the bright prospect of the happy future which lay before them, when Hymen should have sanctified the affection

This article in The Westmoreland Gazette published just a fortnight after her death uses the word Hymen, also called Hymenaeus, in Greek mythology, the God of marriage, and the Hymen in biology is the skin which is broken with first intercourse. The writer of the above was playing on those words in a Dickensian way. It does not say that she “saw her lover married” as the later apocryphal stories would have us believe. It merely says “... *he plighted at the altar of Hymen his vows of love and fidelity to another*”. It is a wrong interpretation of this florid writing that this duplicitous fellow actually *married* someone else, it just intimates that on the Tuesday he had his wicked way with another girl following the previous Sunday when he had obviously seduced Lizzie. “*Preston Pilot*”, the nom de plume of the writer, was in a very clever way covering up what was probably a deflowering or even rape of Lizzie and then her apparent discovery of his “unfaithfulness” with another. He says clearly he has avoided a “*highly wrought illustrated account*” so as not to “*prejudice that of the living party*”. It was clearly not in the writer’s best interest to reveal the name of the man, which he obviously knew, and why not....? Was it someone of importance and influence? If it was just a “lad” what had he to lose? It is in my opinion what he does not say that is most telling.

I can see where now the story emerged about marriage which is not what the writer actually said.....do read it carefully and decide for yourself !

[\(353\) Chipping Tales of the supernatural - YouTube](#)

This video is well-produced and gives some good substance to her apparitions. It rings true as it is a first-hand account and the pictures of the old village are very evocative. The landlord Steve and wife Jan who came in 1997 are clear in what they saw. The Vicar who is interviewed is on the nail that the Christian hope is to “rest in peace” but he doesn’t believe in re-incarnation; it amused me that he looked and sounded like the late Dick Emery, comedian (no offense!). The old chap who was interviewed so like the character from the Vicar of Dibley whose catchphrase was No, No, No! He was only able to re-iterate the “wedding story” he had heard, I don’t think it even says who he was. *Ted Oakes* is mentioned by the Landlord and a fellow called *Jim*, now deceased, who once lived above the Inn with his wife. Lizzie used to walk towards him in bed and he would cower under the bed-sheet. These accounts ring very true but The Vicar is obviously sceptical although he accepts it is a grey area. Christians must have said a trillion times over *In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost* so,why are we so sceptical about the spirit world? I liked Steve’s account and he made it clear that he did not want the pub to cash in as it were on this sad story to create publicity so one can accept his accounts as holding some fair evidence of the supernatural occurrences.

[BBC - Lancashire - Spooky - Lizzie Dean](#)

The above video is another tall tale and as is said these days “more fake news”.

Chapter 2: Let's examine the facts.

It is curious that only now after my frequent previous visits I myself am drawn to this bizarre folklore story and am moved to use the modern day internet to reveal a truer picture; it is as though young Lizzie is beckoning me to do so from her grave 188 years after she hanged herself in the Sun Inn because of an unrequited love. Genealogy is my hobby, and with databases which are excellent for delving into the past although enjoyable, it is very time consuming and very addictive. Be warned !

As you read on I will show you many facts about her family. This will be heavy reading and you will need to take your time absorbing what I am about to reveal. Many hours of careful research have been done and I hope it will illuminate matters but in the end you will have to make your own conclusions as to what really happened and who might be responsible for this young girl's plight. I put forward a few options for you to consider but as one lady I spoke to on Windy Street, when asking directions to Brick House Farm, she said we ought chiefly to pray for her soul. Quite right. In a way this writing is my prayer.

Her grave is right there just behind the corner of the church, you can see the Yew Tree, she is buried under there, right next to the path just as she wanted, and in consecrated ground, with the inscription facing the back of the Talbot Inn, just a few yards away over the wall.



As a religious person myself I have no doubt that the troubled spirit who haunts this ancient place is very real and although long dead is determined to keep alive her memory as do the locals, some of whom are witness to her apparitions according to an old BBC documentary, and we know how accurate they are, don't we? As I leaned on her grave under the ancient Yew Tree, now propped up with an iron rail, reciting the traditional prayer, "Eternal Rest give unto her, O Lord", I knew at that moment there will never be a *Requiescat in Pace* until her true story is revealed.

The folklore is that she saw her beloved marry her best friend from the attic room which still faces the church to this day. There she hanged herself with a note of vengeance in her hand, expressing a wish to be buried where those who had wronged her would have to walk past every time they entered that church. It is doubtful she threw herself out of that tiny window, as is said by some, but not impossible.



The windows of her garret.

What *is* more extraordinary is that she *was* granted her wish and buried next to the path on the South-east corner of the church she once prayed in and laid to rest under the ancient Yew tree. Now, in spite of her suicide, which is still to this day a crime, that the Vicar allowed her to be buried in consecrated ground at all and even have a headstone is a significant thing in itself. The Westmoreland Gazette does not mention her suicide note, a request for a grave by the path, but claims that she would have Psalm (not "Palm" as the man in the video kept saying) 109 sung. This is a plea for retribution and the 31 verses are worth reading: (printed in full in the appendix).

(To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.) Hold not thy peace, O God of my praise;
2For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful are opened against me: they have spoken against me with a lying tongue.
3They compassed me about also with words of hatred; and fought against me without a cause.
4For my love they are my adversaries: but I *give myself unto* prayer.
5And they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love.
6Set thou a wicked man over him: and let Satan stand at his right hand.
7When he shall be judged, let him be condemned: and let his prayer become sin.

At her funeral did a choir sing it in defiance of the Vicar? We only have the Press cutting to verify that but as *Preston Pilot* had a vivid imagination I think it could have been his fanciful addition to a story that has more versions every time it is told. She must however have been respected and loved to have created an atmosphere of regret and to be given such an honour as a grave next to the church and a proper headstone. I suspect she left behind a lot of guilty consciences. In the Westmoreland Gazette, the only contemporaneous account I can find apart from the Inquest itself in The Blackburn Standard, the writer says *"This melancholy occurrence produced the most extraordinary sensation in the neighbourhood and.....premising however, that we neither wish to aggravate the cruelty of their character nor to perpetuate the feeling of prejudice which exists against the individual whose inconsiderate (the mildest description we can give of it) conduct has occasioned this lamentable tragedy."*So, it would seem that some folks knew who really was to blame. Were there threats towards him and the girl and did they spin a story to cover the true facts? Were there threats in return to "keep quiet"? A word of caution here from me too that there may well be descendants of her family still in the area and they should not get upset in any way for whatever took place so long ago when standards were different and beliefs in religion and the after-life were very relevant and somewhat complex. There are things we will never know and never understand. I dedicate this research to those who are driven to take their own life and we must pray for their souls to be now at

rest. This sad event took place in a week just after Hallowe'en and on a day when very ghoulish emotions were stoked up. November is traditionally the month we think about and pray for the Dead. Bear in mind that not a hundred years before this they were still hanging, drawing and quartering men for their religion and hanging and burning witches.....!

The details of truth about what happened must have been the best kept secret in the village, a taboo subject, and I cannot help but feel the many stories which have come about are the smokescreen of what today may have even been a crime. No wonder the spirit of this girl cannot rest.

Lizzie received a proper burial exactly where she requested and a headstone which itself is an enigma. I cannot help thinking that this wise incumbent minister knew what had driven her to this and respecting her last wishes may have been his way of punishing those in his flock who might have been complicit in her tragic death. Interesting too that she is buried at the South-East corner which anyone walking from lower down the hill from The Talbot Inn side would have to pass, the inscription even facing that way so, I cannot help but presume the culprits lived down that end of the village. One might have expected her to be buried nearer to The Sun Inn, her home, and to be facing that way.

Chapter 3: it is often said that village life centres around the Church and the Inn.



Rev. Edmund Wilkinson Surely this Man of God, a minister of the Established Church of England, the Vicar (and he was also the local teacher at Brabins School and Village Constable) must have had a high regard for her; so let us have a look at him. He certainly knew her very well and no doubt her extended family. He may have even been her class teacher during the week. He was appointed 28th Nov. 1816 on the death of Rev. J. Penny and served the parish for 48 years until his own death :

Burial: 27 Sep 1864 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

Edmund Wilkinson -

Age: 81 years

Abode: Vicar of Chipping

Buried by: Thos. Benn, Incumbent of Whitechapel

How he might have looked.

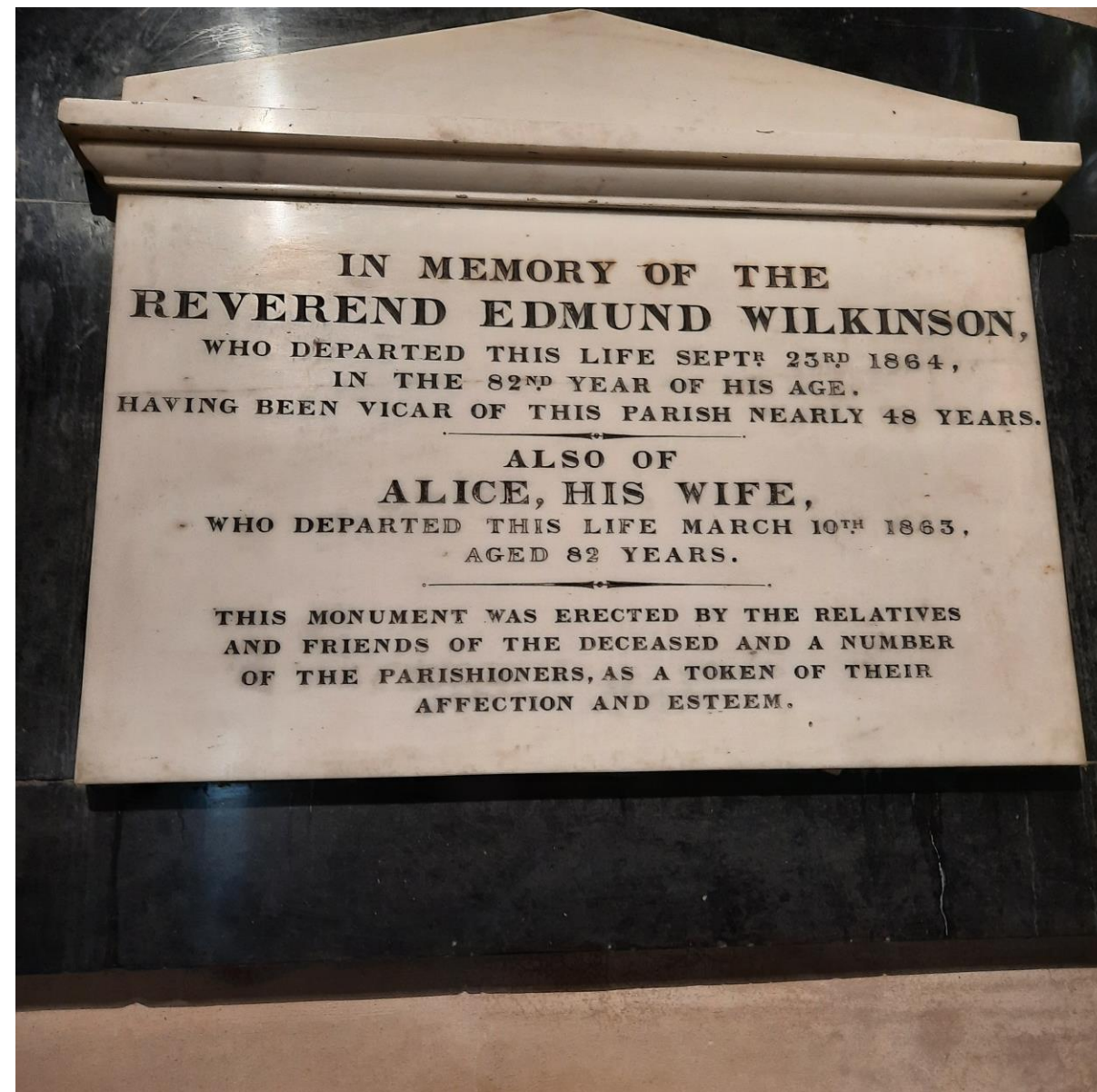
I see him as a man of compassion and wisdom.



On the sill of the window is a brass plate thus inscribed :—

✠ TO THE HONOUR AND GLORY OF GOD. ✠

IN MEMORY OF THE REV. EDMUND **WILKINSON** (48 YEARS VICAR OF THIS PARISH) DIED SEPR. 23RD, 1864, AND OF ALICE HIS WIFE DIED MARCH 10TH, 1863.



This tablet can be found on the left of the Chancel and the Altar.

[History of the parish of Chipping, in the county of Lancaster, with some account of the forests of Bleasdale and Bowland : Smith, Thomas C\[harles\] of Longridge, Eng : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)
(Direct quote from the link above)

Edmund Wilkinson, 1816–1864.

Edmund Wilkinson, a native of Penrith district, was, on Nov. 28th, 1816, instituted to Chipping Vicarage, on collation of George Henry Law, Bishop of Chester (Instit. Books, Series C, vol. i.) ; on which day his testimonial was signed by Robert Parkinson, minister of Longridge ; Hugh Hodgson, minister of Broughton ; and John Harrison, curate of Grimsargh, who stated that he was then assistant curate of Whitechapel, and had been personally known to them for 2 years and 10 months. From 1817 to 1837 he acted as master of Brabin's School; and it was through his exertions that the school was enlarged in 1840. He died at Chipping on September 23rd, 1864, at the advanced age of 81, and was buried at the east end of the churchyard. His wife predeceased him, dying 10th March, 1863, aged 82. Over them remains is a headstone, with an inscription. Within the church, a marble tablet and an inscribed brass fittingly record the virtues of this worthy vicar (see pages 71-2 of the above link). Mr. Wilkinson married at Goosnargh, May 11, 1818, Alice Baines, of Goosnargh, but had no issue. A little more than a year later his brother, Richard Wilkinson, curate of Whitechapel, married, also at Goosnargh, August 26th, 1819, Alice Clifton, of Goosnargh, but survived only four years, and was buried at Whitechapel March 2 1st, 1823, at the early age of 32. His sister, Alice, married Mr. Preston, of Penrith.

Evidently a painstaking, hard-working man, Edmund Wilkinson still lives in the memory of those who knew him as a good preacher and (as far as his limited means allowed) a generous friend of the poor. He filled with efficiency and credit such varied offices as that of

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minister, schoolmaster, and village constable. He looked well after the charities of the parish, and did his best to have them administered rightly. His care of the parish registers was great, and the useful service he did in transcribing all the marriages down to 1753 calls for special praise.

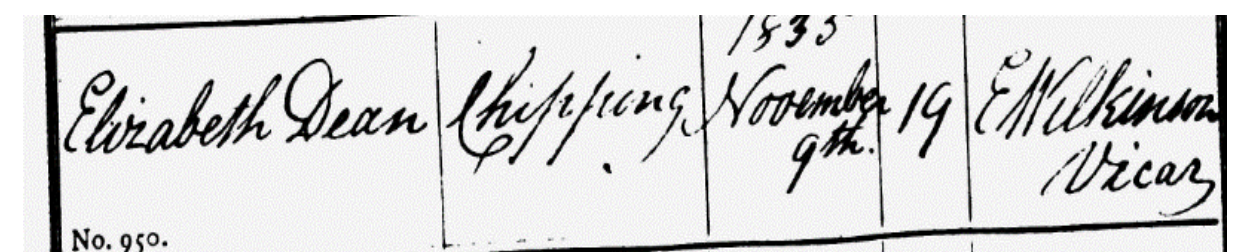
Chapter 4: Suicide, is it a crime or a cry for help..... or revenge?

My own cousin, Bobby Shaw, committed suicide just 60 years ago. As it was considered a Mortal Sin his body was not allowed to be brought into St. Alban's Church, Blackburn and had to remain in the hearse whilst his Funeral prayers were taking place inside. His was a tragic death also brought about by emotional circumstances when he felt betrayed by his wife, now long dead too, who left him shortly after their wedding taking away his beloved baby daughter. He had just qualified as an electrician and ironically he lifted the floorboards deliberately cutting through a gas pipe. Town-gas back in those days was lethal and many a person died by putting their heads into a gas oven. Suicide is a most desperate act and when a person is driven to this because of betrayal they leave behind the guilty ones to suffer in knowing that they may have effectively driven them to it. I have no doubt that the reader will know of such events and it may be no less so in the case of Lizzie Dean.

One of my own friends battling with life-long depression took his own life like Lizzie just ten years ago on a day when I intended to telephone him; he was due to come to my 60th Birthday party a few days later so I did not call and held off as I presumed I would be seeing him there; alas it will always be a regret. I and his two sons and my guests raised our glasses to his memory at the party that Sunday. We were all in shock. I played for his funeral the week following.

I dedicate this writing to Bernard Lester's memory too and all those other friends and even past pupils who also took their own lives.

RIP to them all.





Godfather Tony, my Lizzie and her poodle Henry.

Just a special thanks here to these two for accompanying me in my research, and Henry her poodle!

I have no wish to spoil the folklore stories..... *but....* my investigations have already revealed to me Lizzie was no isolated girl-servant and certainly not from London nor a peasant scullery maid as has been so often claimed. She was in fact as you will learn part of a wide family of Innkeepers in the Ribble Valley. I think I may have already identified some persons who might have been the ones who blighted her life (*all will be revealed!*) but my belief is that her reasons for doing what she did are wider than this one issue as there are many other factors at play in this awfully sad story. If you know a version of events from your own experience do feel free to contact me via Facebook or email (dukesalan@hotmail.com). My own opinions are formed just from the bare facts I read in the Family History sites and my own experience of life and religion and the bits in the story that do have a ring of truth.

The background is in the history of the times itself and the relentless persecution of Catholics in the Reformation (two years after her death the new RC Church St. Mary's was to be opened in the village);... the place of women in society back then;... the Protestant Church of England and its legal hold on the morals of the people;... and in Chipping no less, the friendship between a former Vicar and the visits of John Wesley and his Methodist opposition to the "demon drink" !



My first visit, the parishioners work hard to keep it so neat.

I wonder at what age did she discover she was in fact part orphan ? Her biological father had died when she was a toddler and her mother had quickly re-married so she was actually brought up by her step-father and then came along a half-sister and *her* twin brother then six (I just found 2 more!) half-brothers of that marriage. When children are young they are rarely told until later of any family issues. That happened in my own family and with friends too where facts emerge, sometimes about parentage, hidden for years, often being revealed at a time when a young person is coming of age and at a critical time in their lives. It can be a big shock to find out you are not exactly who you think you are.



Even the steps are Grade II listed note the Yew tree.

Chapter 5: Her life begins and we meet the Deans.

Elizabeth was baptised in Kirkham, Lancashire.
Baptism: 9 Sep 1816 St Michael, Kirkham, Lancashire, England

Elizabeth Dean - [Child] of George Dean & Jane

Abode: Kirkham
Occupation: Innkeeper
Baptised by: Ricd. Moore



Kirkham centre is about 15 miles from Chipping. The original document states that her father George was a “Landlord”.

n of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1911 Parish Registers > Kirkham > 1813-1845						
1816	Child	Parents	Names	Abode	Quality	By whom the
Year	Christian	Christian	Surname		Trade or	Ceremony was
Baptism	Name				Profession	Performed
Sept 8	Margaret	John & Mary	Hall	Kirkham	Labourer	Radcliffe
- 8	William	Joseph & Catherine	Woods	Kirkham	Weaver	Radcliffe
9	Elizabeth	George & Jane	Dean	Kirkham	Landlord	R. Moore
12	Thos.	Richd & Betty	Beauch	Kirkham	Weaver	R. Moore
14	Edw.	William & Alice	Proctor	Newton	Weaver	R. Moore
14	Unknown	William & Ann	Woods	Kirkham	Weaver	R. Moore

I wonder where his establishment was ? It indicates that their abode was Kirkham at that time but George had married Jane Badger in her Parish Church at Ribchester as it is the custom to be married in the Bride’s Parish. They were both young as they were not of “full age” and had to get their parent’s consent. It was quite young for him to have owned an inn but as yet I have no concrete information as to where they plied their trade. Now modern day Kirkham is about 15 miles West, however the old border of parishes was quite close to Chipping and included Goosnargh. Parish boundaries are not the same as the named town itself.

Marriage: 5 Dec 1815 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire,
England

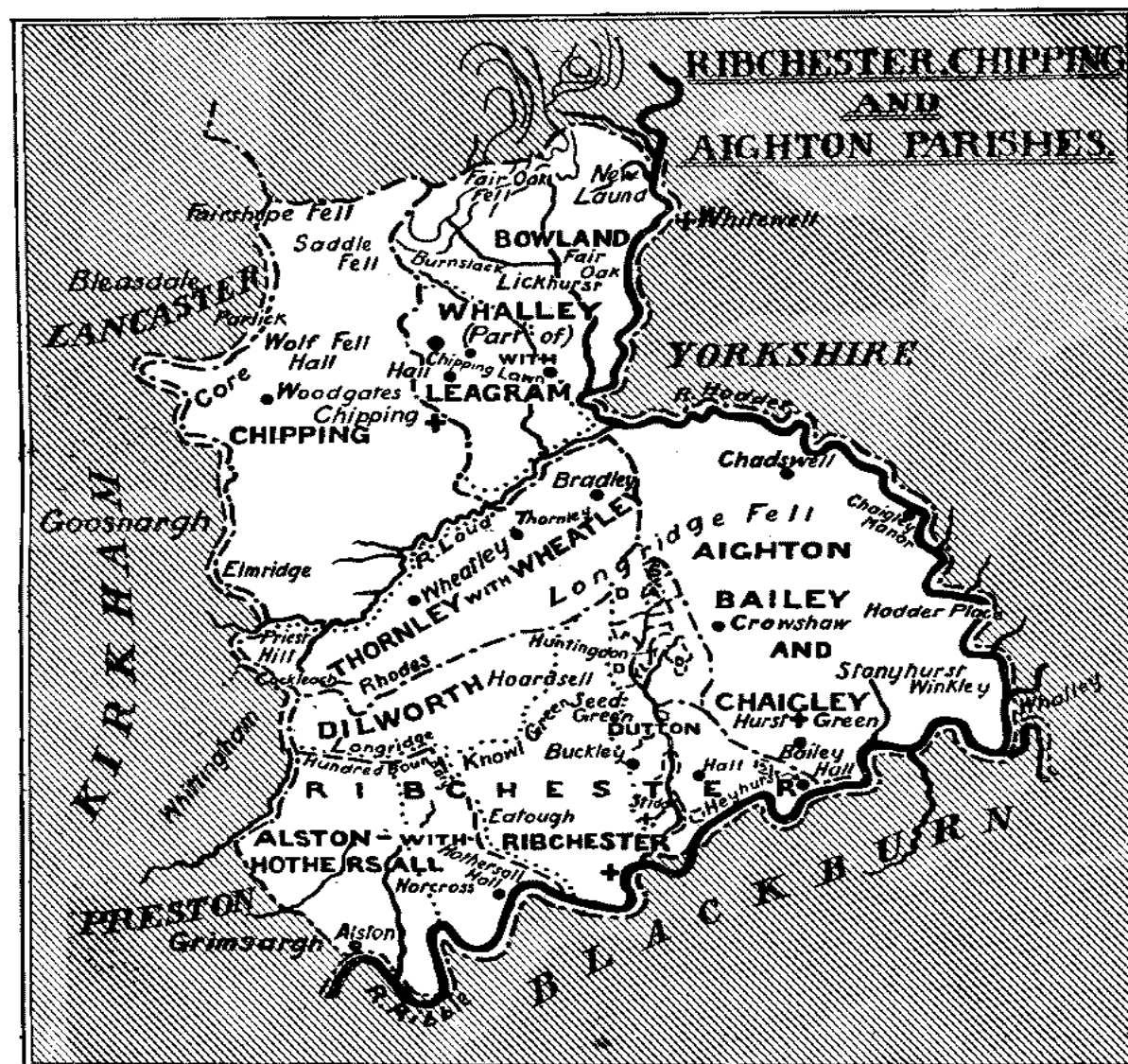
George Dean - this Parish

Jane Badger - this Parish

Witness: John Wilcock; Oliver Hayhurst

Married by Banns by: W Lutener Officiating Minister

Notes: with consent of Parents



This map gives an illustration of how the Parish Boundaries were drawn.

Her parent's marriage took place in Ribchester where Thomas Badger, her grandfather, had been a churchwarden, and also her paternal grandfather as we shall learn shortly, so they would probably have already been on The Parochial Church Council at that time. I think one can safely say it was a love match and George probably took his young bride Jane home to Kirkham. Nine months later Elizabeth was born. At some later point they must have moved to Ribbleton but their happiness was soon to be shattered by George's death at age 23. Little Lizzie was only a toddler of eighteen months. Her mother must have been devastated. Did Lizzie remember him from when she was a child? She might not have after so many years had passed; children do forget those early years. When she eventually learned of this did it have a morbid effect on her?



RIBCHESTER, ST. WILFRID'S.

The enigma of George Dean

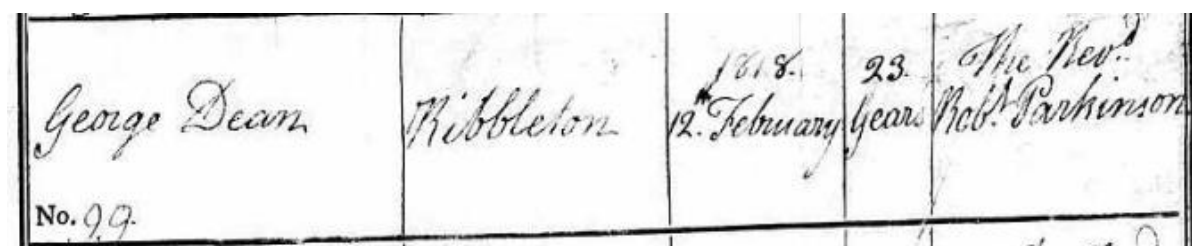
Burial: 12 Feb 1818 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England

George Dean -

Age: 23 years

Abode: Ribbleton

Buried by: The Revd. Robert Parkinson



This was very young to die. Was he murdered, in an accident, or did *he* commit suicide? Did he die of depression, naturally worn down by his own father's death only a few months before? Try as I might I have no definitive answer as yet.

Now here lies another mystery. I can find no baptism for George Dean around 1795. The nearest family is William and Ann Dean with several children all baptised as Roman Catholic in Samlesbury and in 1818, just after his death, they had a son June 7th which they named George. Did they name him after his late uncle or even could it just have been his late brother?

Did he simply change his name to George or even use his Confirmation Name, or even a middle name when he married his sweetheart? Was he an adopted son? Was he a love-child?



The family grave is here at St. Lawrence, Longridge

Could these be a clue to his birth? It was around 1795.

Baptism: 6 Nov 1795 St Chad, Rochdale, Lancashire, England

Geo. Saxon - Son of Saml. Saxon & Mary, his wife

Abode: Church lane

Occupation: **Innkeeper**

Baptised by: Thos. Bellas, Curate

Or this :

Baptism: 7 May 1797 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England

George Harrison - Son of Samuel Harrison

Abode: Ribchester

Or was he born Heaton? His sister married a Heaton !!

Anno 1794

Jan. 26. George the son of Thomas and Alice Heaton, sponsors George Horrobin and Ann Hardman

LATER IN 1794 AT SAMLESBURY

June 21. George the son of Letice Carter, sponsors John Proctor & Margaret Ashton.

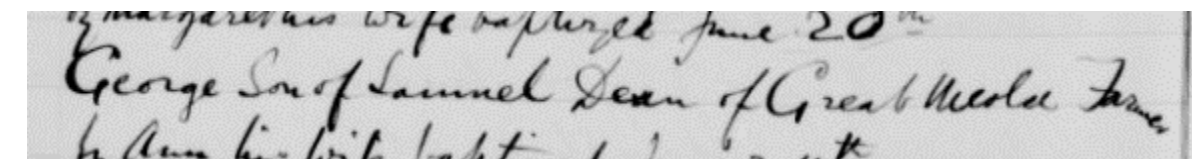
And in 1795

Apr: 9th . George the son of John and Ann Ashton, sponsors Roger Whittle and Letice Turner.

If he was adopted the above are the only Georges born at Samlesbury around that time.

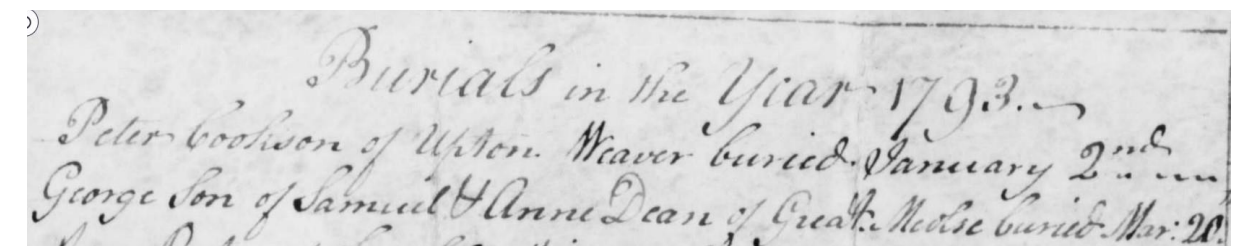
My research is now indicating the Deans may have come from Manchester way.

1791, just four years out but this could be his baby brother at Great Meols:



A snippet of a handwritten church record. The text is written in cursive and includes the name 'George Son of Samuel Dean of Great Meols'. The entry is dated 'June 20th'.

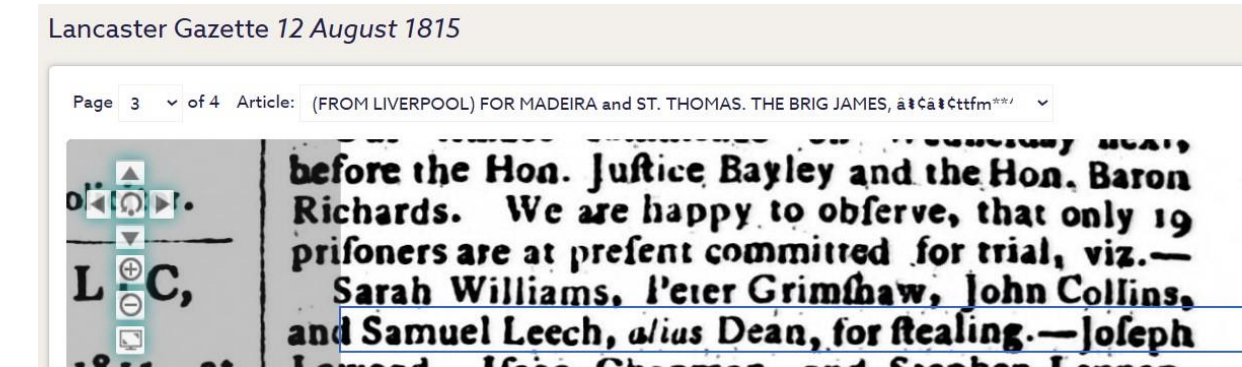
As this George died soon after they would have named the next child George which was customary.



A snippet of a handwritten church record titled 'Burials in the Year 1793.' It lists two burials: 'Peter Cookson of Wotton. Weaver buried January 2nd' and 'George Son of Samuel & Anne Dean of Great Meols buried Mar: 20th'.

The Dean's were not found in Ribchester much before this.....so they are not of this area and looking generally some can be found down Warrington and Cheshire although there were a few around Whalley and Accrington.

In a court proceeding August 1815 Samuel Dean is given as alias Leech.



Maybe this could be our George ?

Baptism: 17 Apr 1796 Collegiate, Manchester, Lancashire, England
George Hardman, base begotten - Son of Samuel Leech & Ann Hardman

I think this is a distinct possibility, it goes to show how much research goes into the TV series Who Do You Think You Are! If Samuel was on the run from debtors an alias would be useful. In those days you could be committed to prison for a debt. Samuel's wife was called Ann whom he mentions in his will. The Dean family of Samlesbury. 53 matches for this search! Almost all Roman Catholic Papists ! The nearest probable Dean birth was John.....but no George.

[A history of Longridge and its people : Till, Joseph M : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

QUOTE.....*"One must assume that either many christenings were not recorded, or that many children were not baptized, or, as this was a strongly Catholic area, many were secretly baptized in that faith. However, most would be buried at the parish church."*
The Samlesbury Deans had many children the nearest to this time:

Baptism: 21 Dec 1794 St Mary and St John, Samlesbury, Lancashire, England
John Dean - son of William Dean & Ann
Godparents: Joseph Brown; Ann Hilton

Their next child was James :
Baptism: 2 May 1797 St Mary and St John, Samlesbury, Lancashire, England
James Dean - son of William Dean & Ann
Godparents: Robert Wilden; Alice Hilton

There was a Samuel Dean of Ribchester and he could have been George's father. I am, as I write, favouring this Samuel Dean to be his father, which I expect will be established in this writing shortly as the Wills are examined.

One clue is this excerpt from Chipping registers:
Hannah, a daughter, died :

Burial: 11 Oct 1803 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England
Hannah Dean - Daur. of Samuel Dean
Abode: Alston Performed at: Longridge Chapel

Lizzie's Aunt :

Francis, George's sister was born 20th May 1797 and she later married John Heaton and they are mentioned in his father Samuel's Will.

Marriage: 23 Dec 1805 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England
John Heaton - this Parish of Ribchester and County of Lancaster
Frances Dean - (X), this Parish of Ribchester and County of Lancaster
Witness: Richard Hayton; Thomas Gregson
Married by Licence by: Js. Quartley Vicar
1841 Census, Burnley

1	John Heaton	50	Beer Seller	N
	Ann do	40		N
	John do	15	Bottom Weaver	N
	William do	14	Coal Miner	N
1	Catherine do	13	Mulliner	N

Now later in 1842 John Heaton seemingly had his own Public House but had died:

W. BANKS, Solicitor.

Preston, 28th October, 1842.

To be Let, by Private Treaty,

AN old established PUBLIC HOUSE, called the JOLLY TARS, situate at Mount Pleasant, in Preston, in the County of Lancaster, of which immediate possession may be had.

Apply to Mrs. ECCLESTON, Spirit Merchant; or to Mr. THOMAS DEWHURST, Coal Merchant, both of Preston, Assignees of the estate and effects of Mr. John Heaton, the present tenant.

This is Lizzie's uncle Samuel but he died before she was even born.

This birth and death seems to fit as the record shows he was 21 when he died:

2 Samuel Son of Samuel Dean of Hasbottum Clithrig & Son	
Name	Samuel Dean
Father	Samuel Dean
Baptism	2 Aug 1789 Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire, England
	By Ann (mother).

Burial: 27 May 1810 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England
Samuel Dean - Son of Samuel Dean
Abode: Alston, Performed at: Longridge Chapel

Samuel Son of Samuel Dean of
Alston and German and Ann his Wife.
Died Friday 25th May 1810 Buried
Tuesday 27th May 1810 Aged 21 Years.

Lizzie’s grandfather ? : Died just before George, his son.

Burial: 19 Nov 1817 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Samuel Dean -
Age: 79 years
Abode: Alston
Buried by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson

Lizzie’s father :

Burial: 12 Feb 1818 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
George Dean -
Age: 23 years
Abode: Ribbleton
Buried by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 13, Entry 99
Source: LDS Film 1657578

probably Lizzie’s Grandmother :

Burial: 17 Nov 1827 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Ann Dean -
Age: _5? years
Abode: Alston
Buried by: The Revd. Rt. Parkinson
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 42, Entry 335
Source: LDS Film 1657578

A probable Aunt: Burial: 5 Jul 1836 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Margaret Dean - Age: 60 yrs
Abode: Alston, Buried by: Richd. Grainger, Minr. of Grimsargh

I hope these Wills might provide some further information.....

Name: Dean, George Address: Ribbleton, Preston, Amounderness, Lancashire Occupation:...

This record is held by Lancashire Archives

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Reference:	R 131/12
Description:	Name: Dean, George Address: Ribbleton, Preston, Amounderness, Lancashire Occupation: Yeoman Contents: will
Date:	1818 Apr 20
Held by:	Lancashire Archives , not available at The National Archives

And the other will.....

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1st June 1818

Document reference	WRW/A/R131/13
Title	Probate records
Description	Testator's name: SAMUEL DEAN Occupation/status: YEOMAN Minor place: Not given Township: ALSTON Parish: RIBCHESTER County/Country: LANCASHIRE Other information: None

At this point the first Will duly arrived by email from Lancashire County Council Archives, cost £11. The father is Samuel after all !..... but I still cannot find a baptism for George. National records of births did not come until 1837 so one has to rely on Parish Records, introduced at the Dissolution of the Monasteries; Henry VIII’s Chancellor Richard Cromwell brought this in to regulate the Parish System (1538). The poor would no longer beg at the door of a Monastery but now would have to “Live on the Parish” and one often finds Removal Orders in Courts to take paupers back to their birth-parish. Eventually this was to lead to the establishment of the “Workhouses”.

Samuel was indeed a Churchwarden in 1804 at Ribchester. Take note too of the number of Dewhursts, the family of another gt grandparent as we shall see.

Source:

[The History of the Parish of Ribchester, in the County of Lancaster : Jonathan Shortt, T C . Smith : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

1802	Richard Forest Thomas Dewhurst Henry Ireland	Thos Clayton John Whitaker
1803	Daniel Slater Richard Cutler George Willcock	Joseph Dewhurst John Hitchen
1804	Robert Martin William Ireland William Martin	William Rhodes Samuel Dean
1805	Robert Martin Richard Dewhurst of Grindle- stone house William Martin	Robert Strickland John Howard
1806	George Dewhurst Richard Dewhurst Thomas Wilcock	Thomas Eastham Joseph Pye
1807	George Barton James Boothman William Kay Farrer	Richard Parkinson William Alston

The Dean Family of Ribchester & West Kirby

These records do seem to confirm the Deans were from around West Kirby and that they came to Ribchester at the turn of the century.

Hannah Dean

Mother	Anne
Father	Samuel Dean
Baptism	25 Dec 1796 West Kirby, Cheshire, England

Burial: 11 Oct 1803 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England
Hannah Dean - Daur. of Samuel Dean
Abode: Alston
Performed at: Longridge Chapel

Many burials were duplicated in registers at Longridge Chapel; was the service held at Ribchester and just the burial at Longridge? As with this one:

Burial: 11 Oct 1803 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Hannah Dean - Daughter of Samuel Dean, Yeoman & Ann
Died: 9 Oct 1803
Age: 6 years Abode: Alston

THE DEAN FAMILY OF KIRKHAM AND SAMLESBURY

There were only two matches for this search in the whole of Kirkham !

Burial: 4 Nov 1812 St Michael, Kirkham, Lancashire, England

Sam. Dean - [Child] of Mary Dean

Abode: Newton

Register: Burials from the Bishop's Transcripts 1801 - 1812

and , as we saw earlier.....

Baptism: 9 Sep 1816 St Michael, Kirkham, Lancashire,
England

(Our Lizzie)

Elizabeth Dean - [Child] of George Dean & Jane

Abode: Kirkham

Occupation: Innkeeper

Baptised by: Ricd. Moore

Register: Baptisms 1813 - 1816 from the Bishop's
Transcripts, Entry 800

Source: LDS Film 1502433

The above shows there were few Deans in Kirkham but there were many in Samlesbury (mainly Catholics.....at St. Mary and St. John) a Chapel connected with the Hall, still there to this day.



St. Mary and St. John, RC, Samlesbury

Finally a look at Longridge shows a small number of entries finishing with George's death at age 23. There is the Samuel (see above) which could have been George's brother, himself dying at age 21. All in all old Samuel, their father, and Ann, their mother were not lucky in child-rearing. After a full search from the 1600s onwards, hours and hours, there were a lot of Deans in the area of Whalley and one of the Samlesbury children Henry was also an Inn-Keeper as were half a dozen or so others in the proximity of Ribblesdale to Samlesbury. It does seem to confirm George as a local and most probably a Roman Catholic, at least in his family tradition. Catholics have kept the faith around here right through penal times.

Fr. Tony Dutton, parish priest of Longridge, Ribchester and Chipping tells me there are many priest's hiding holes even in the farms around here. When caught a priest could be executed in a most barbaric way; hanging, drawing and quartering after many months of imprisonment. Ancestors of mine who were Catholic and on the Royalist side in the Civil War suffered heavy fines. My 11 x Great grandfather Francis Sherrington owned Orrell, Booths and Wardley Manors. He was fined by Attainder (order of Parliament) for his Delinquency (Royalist) and for being a Catholic (Recusancy) dying in Lancaster Castle with his brother refusing to pay. Thanks to his stoicism and by handing the property to his nephew Wardley Hall is still the home of our Bishop of Salford today.

I wonder if Dean House was named after Samuel Dean?

There is a Roman Catholic chapel in Goosnargh called Hill chapel which was erected towards the end of last century in the place of an older one which formerly stood near Whitehill; there is belonging to it a house for the priest and a permanent endowment. The registers of baptisms which have been solemnized here commence about 1770.

OLD CHAPEL NEAR DEAN HOUSE.

An old Roman Catholic chapel formerly stood near Dean house in Whittingham: it was pulled down in 1840. Over one of the doors was the following inscription:

I.H.S
1611 ✠ R.I.E.I.

This was probably a private chapel, and the letters R.I.E.I. refer to the owners of the place. There was also a wooden cross which was removed to Hill chapel.

NEW HOUSE CHAPEL.

There is a Roman Catholic chapel dedicated to St. Mary in Newsham which is commonly called the New house chapel, and which is supposed to have been first erected early in the 18th century, for about then the rev. John Swarbrick (a priest) gave instruction to those whom he appointed to be his executors to invest whatever he died possessed of for the purpose of supporting a priest, provided that a chapel was built at or near Midgehall,¹

¹ Midgehall is between Eaves Quarter, Woodplumpton and Hollowforth.

My thoughts are now confirmed that Samuel Dean may have come from further South and this shows one selling up in Reddish near Stockport. Catholics were driven further North where they were relatively safer particularly in Preston and the Ribble Valley.

Manchester Mercury 22 November 1808

Page 1 of 4 Article: Licensed to sail without Cmvor, f

FARM, near STOCKPORT.
TO BE LET BY TICKET,
For a Term of Years, at the house of Mr Roebuck, know by the name of the Navigation Inn, near Stockport, on Wednesday November 30th, and not on the 23d, as before advertised, at the hour of three in the afternoon, subject to conditions then and there to be produced;

A FARM, situate in Reddish, late in the occupation of Mr Wroe Dean, now of Mr Samuel Dean, in the following lots, or in such other lots as may be found convenient:

No 1. Consisting of near ten statute acres of meadow and pasture Land.

No. 2. Containing a good substantial Dwelling-house, now inhabited by the said Samuel Dean, with a barn and stable, orchard and garden, and seventeen statute acres of meadow and pasture Land, or thereabouts.

No. 3. Containing 9A 3a 2r, of pasture Land, of the same measure, or thereabouts.

No 4. Containing 9A 3a 14r, of meadow and pasture Land, of the same measure, or thereabouts.

Possession may be had of the meadow Land on the 25th of December next, and of the pasture Land and Buildings at the usual times following.

The above Estate is within half-a-mile of Stockport, and near to the Ashton Canal, by which, manure may be brought on favourable terms, and the road by which it communicates with the turnpike-road is wide and spacious, and intended to be kept in good condition and repair.

The said Mr Samuel Dean and Mr Roebuck will shew the Estate; and Particulars may be learned, by applying at the Office of Messrs Halstead and Ainsworth, Attornies, Manchester.

Certainly the names Samuel and George are very prevalent and in 1829 one George was plying his trade very lucratively in Manchester :

Manchester Courier 19 September 1829

Page 3 of 4 Article: Local Intelligence.

than four races are appointed, independently of the matches. These races are, for the Stanley Stakes; a Gold Cup, of the value of 100 guineas, given by Mr. George Dean, of the Bush Inn; the Heaton Park Stakes; and a Sweepstakes of 20 sovereigns each. On Thursday, there are five races, namely, the Manchester Stakes, the Hack Stakes, the Forester Stakes, a Sweepstakes of 15 sovereigns each, and a race for £50., given by the Club. On Friday, the last day, the races are for Lord Durham's Gold Cup, the Claret Stakes, and a Free Handicap of 25 sovereigns.—Upwards of fifty horses are expected, some of which are of first-rate reputation in the sporting world. Of these, ten had arrived up to last evening.

We observe that Mr. Dean, who has the exclusive privilege of supplying refreshments, is erecting a booth, of dimensions sufficient to accommodate no less than a thousand persons at time. It contains a dining-room, thirty yards long, and two other rooms of similar extent. The dining-room is very tastefully fitted-up with blue and white, Lord Wilton's colours. It will be seen by an advertisement from Mr. Dean, which appears in another column, that he is providing an ample abundance of good things for the refreshment of the company.

The splendid gold cup given by Mr. Dean, (and of which we formerly gave a description,) is now to be seen at the shop of Messrs. Thelwell and Hatfield, in St. Ann's-Square; and it is expected that Lord Durham's cup will be ready for exhibition, at the same place, upon Monday next. We beg to remind those who have not already procured tickets of admission to the park, that Monday next is the last day upon which they can possibly be obtained.—We shall give

And many more well before that in the 1700s the Dean Publicans are jumping out at me the more I search :

Marriage: 24 Nov 1789 Collegiate, Manchester, Lancashire, England
John Smith - Publican, this Parish & Township of Withington
Ann Dean - (X), Spinster, Northingden
Witness: John Baron; T. Boardman
Married by Lic. Revd. H. Owen Surr. by: Humphrey Owen
Register: Marriages 1789, Page 206, Entry 810
Source: LDS Film 2356675

Presumably the brother of the above marries twice :

Marriage: 26 Feb 1786 Collegiate, Manchester, Lancashire, England
Ralph Dean - Publican, this Parish and Township of Crumpsal
Mary Pidcock - Spinster, Salford
Witness: John Bedford; Henry Aspinall
Banns Read: 5 Feb 1786, 2nd: 12 Feb 1786, 3rd: 19 Feb 1786
Married by Banns by: Humphrey Owen
Register: Marriages 1786, Page 164, Entry 132
Source: LDS Film 2356674

Marriage: 1 Oct 1789 Collegiate, Manchester, Lancashire, England
Ralph Dean - Publican, this Parish & Township of Chetham
Sarah Wragg - (X), Spinster, Chetham
Witness: Ann Wragg; Jeremiah Carnes
Married by Lic. Revd. Mr. J. Griffith Surr. by: Humphrey Owen
Register: Marriages 1789, Page 168, Entry 658
Source: LDS Film 2356675

And yet another Innkeeper !!

Baptism: 17 May 1789 St Elphin, Warrington, Lancashire, Engla
Isaac Dean - Son of Peter Dean & Martha
Occupation: Inn Keeper

This Samuel Dean was in trouble in 1808 :

Lancaster Gazette 26 March 1808

Page 3 of 4 Article: rnR SANTA CATHARINA AND RIO 1 DE JANEIRO. â–< The remarkably -fine, fast-sai

On Wednesday evening the 16th inst. three prisoners contrived to escape from Preston House of Correction, in the absence of Mr. Halstead, who was at our assizes. Their names are Hilarion Bibby, Samuel Dean, and John Wood alias England.

He was in cahoots with Hilarion Bibby who was a Freemason, so, one presumes Samuel was too.

England, United Grand Lodge of England Freemason Membership Registers, 1751-1921 Society & employment directories View	Name Other First Payment Year on Register	Hilarion Bibby 4 Jul 1815 Birmingham 1815
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Hilarion got a year in the clink but Samuel seems to have come off worse.....

Lancaster Gazette 19 August 1815

Page 3 of 4 Article: FRANCIS CARTER Respectfully announces to his friends and the public, â–HAT dur

Warburton, her master.—Guilty, but recommended to mercy by the jury and prosecutor.
Edmund Stott (19) and Samuel Dean (25) for stealing a bay gelding, at Manchester, the property of the Duke of Bridgewater's trustees.—Guilty.

Lancaster Gazette 26 August 1815

Page 3 of 4 Article: At c MEETING of the MEMBERS of the SOCIETY \ FUR Pi&O MUTING CHRISTIAN KNOW

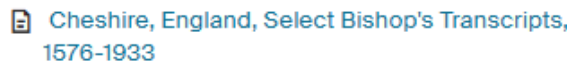
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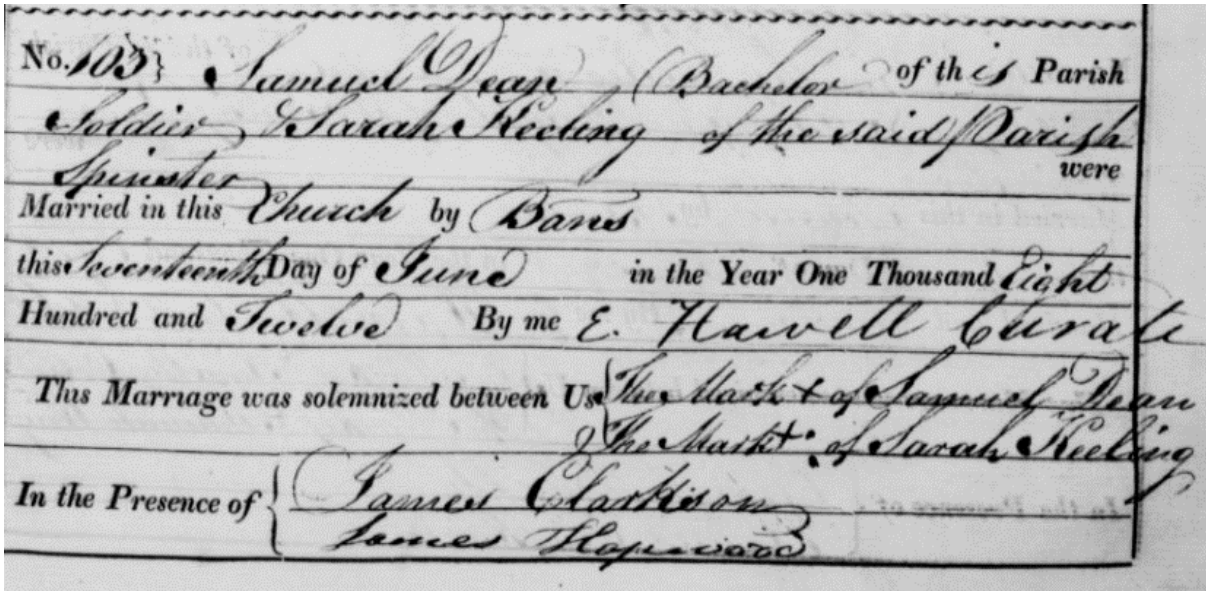
LANCASTER ASSIZES.

The trials of the prisoners concluded on Saturday evening, and on Monday morning Mr Justice Bayley pronounced the awful sentence of Death upon the nine following prisoners:—Edmund Stott and Samuel Dean, for horse-stealing; Thomas

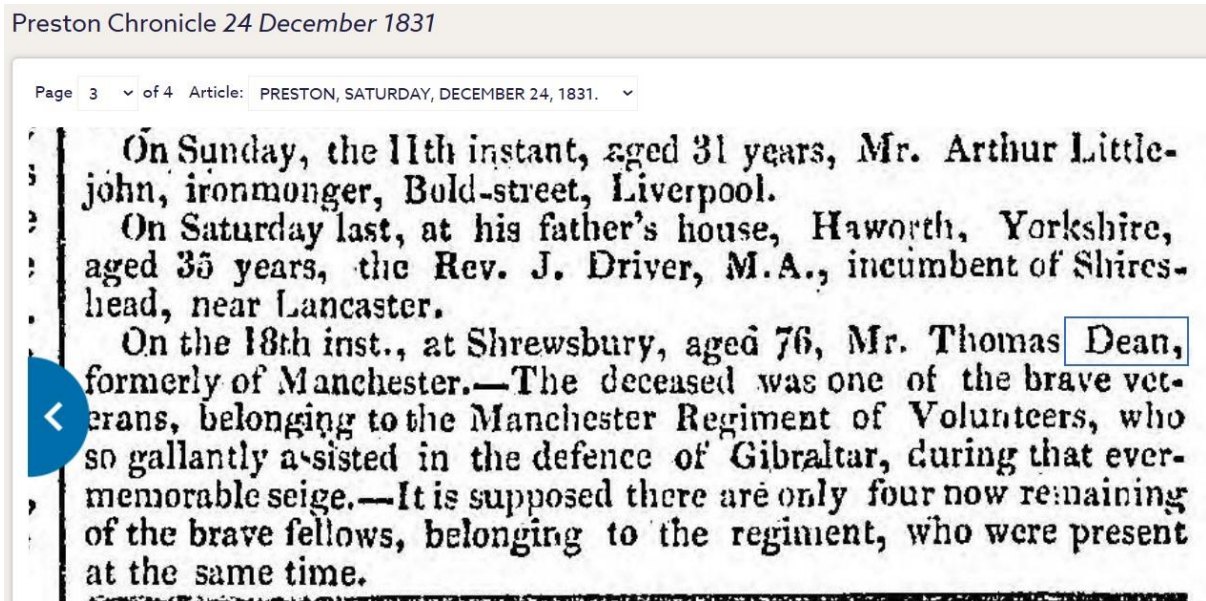
The reader must understand that Lancashire especially in these parts was a hot-bed of those who in spite of appearing to conform to the protestant reformed Church of England adhered in private to the Old Faith of Rome. If discovered or openly defied they were deemed Recusants or Papists (denounced as such on many a church record right up to 1829 when the Catholic Emancipation Act of Parliament was passed). Whilst Roman Catholics were practising their Faith probably some 50 years before that more openly, there was still tension even after that date. St. Alban's, my own parish, where I am organist, in Blackburn, was established as a Chapel in 1771 but it was not until 1824 when a large church was built at Larkhill, where it now stands, did it really get going as a proper parish. That raised many a Protestant eyebrow! Lizzie Dean was growing up in this atmosphere and many in the country were suspicious of Catholics for another 100 years after this. The reader must understand the nature of being a Catholic or Papist in this era and should check out Catholic Emancipation. I am convinced that it may have had a bearing on Lizzie's actions and mind-set. She may have been teased if she had any Catholic tendencies or worse, shunned.

One Samuel Dean was a soldier :

 Cheshire, England, Select Bishop's Transcripts, 1576-1933 Birth, baptism & christening	Name	Samuel Dean
	Spouse	Sarah Keeling
	Marriage	17 Jun 1812 Stockport, Cheshire, England



Possibly his brother may have been a military man too :



Baptism: 6 May 1821 St Mary the Virgin, Blackburn, Lancashire, England
Joseph Dean - Son of Henry Dean & Margaret
Abode: Blackburn
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Wm. Barton

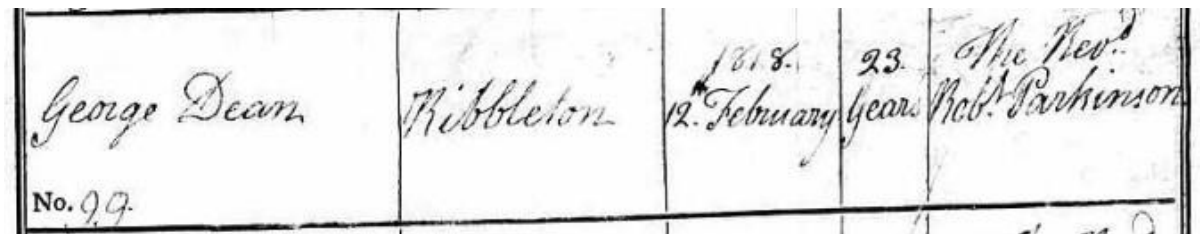
The town of Longridge originally had no legal existence, it was a 'courtesy name' given to the two townships of Dilworth and Alston of which Longridge is now comprised. Some say it was Oliver Cromwell that gave this title to the area but 100 years earlier there is a map with Longwhych.....

The following could well be his father and indeed after reading the Will just received, it does seem to tally with the facts and dates.

Burial: 19 Nov 1817 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Samuel Dean -
Age: 79 years
Abode: Alston
Buried by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 12, Entry 96
Source: LDS Film 1657578

Perhaps George could not cope with the death of his own father which may have contributed to his own death three months later.

Burial: 12 Feb 1818 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
George Dean -
Age: 23 years
Abode: Ribbleton
Buried by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 13, Entry 99
Source: LDS Film 1657578



If George Dean or his family ever ran a pub in Kirkham it could have been one of these:

[Kirkham, a local history trail : Ramsbottom, Martin : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

Just below the garage stands the Black Horse Hotel and, below that, another building which was once the Sun [inn](#) although nobody seems to know when it ceased to be so. The Black Horse is one of the old coaching inns, as can be seen from the stables, or what's left of them, in the yard at the back. There was also, at one time, a slaughterhouse here. For horsemeat?

Further reading finds that there were 13 Inns and 9 beer houses so which one the Dean family were involved eludes me but :

[Around Kirkham in old photographs : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

.....One raconteur suggested that "Every second house in Kirkham was a pub"....



The old Swan [inn](#) Poulton Street, towards the end of the nineteenth century. This thatched [inn](#) with a porch to keep out draughts resembles many other inns and houses in the town of long ago. On the west side of Church Street was the site of the Blue Bell [inn](#) near to where Dr Lewis lived and, previously, Dr Parkinson. The old Swan was a posting house when John Armstrong was innkeeper in 1892. Certain inns throughout the country were used for collecting letters when the mail coaches called. Another of the three posting houses in Kirkham was John Singleton's New [inn](#) the other being the Post Office [inn](#) passed daily by Jack Cross, Town Crier of Kirkham, with his clanging bell. When Kirkham was the busiest and most important town in the Fylde it had thirteen taverns and nine beer houses. The lady on the left is wearing a crinoline skirt.

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Chapter 6: The Wills.

August 2023.....

The wills of George and his father have arrived by email and indeed confirm that as I strongly suspected George was indeed the son of Samuel. There were several things that were interesting but by far the most important for me was that he left property jointly to both his wife and infant daughter, Lizzie.

"....all my Estate right Title and Interest therein and thereto respectively unto my wife Jane Dean and my daughter Elizabeth Dean"

Was she robbed of this by her mother after her re-marrying so quickly? It would not be in their interest to tell her of her past. Did Lizzie find out? Did she live life not knowing that Richard Bibby was not her father?

When she expressed a desire to marry the Vicar would have to write the name of her biological father if it were to be a truthful document.

*""Whereas under and by virtue of The last Will and Testament of my late Father Samuel Dean deceased I am **seized or well entitled to the reversion In fee and inheritance of and in one full undivided Moiety or half part of and in All that Messuage Or Dwelling house with the Garden and appurtenances Thereto belonging situate and being in Alston in the said County of Lancashire now or late in the occupation of my brother-in-Law John Heaton subject to the estate for life of my Sister Frances Heaton, wife of the said John Heaton of and in the same premises And I am seised or well entitled to the Reversion in Fee and inheritance of and in one full undivided Moiety or half part of and in All that Messuage and Tenement and the Lands Hereditaments and Premises with the Appurtenencies thereto belonging situate and being in Alston aforesaid late in possession of my said late Father deceased and now in the occupation of my said Mother and Roger Fleming Subject to the Estate for life of my Mother Ann Dean of and in the same premises.""*

****seized = own**

""I do hereby give and Devise all the before mentioned Moieties of the said Messuages Tenements Lands and Hereditaments and all this my Real Estate whatsoever and wheresoever with the Appurtenancies and all my Estate right Title and Interest therein and thereto respectively unto my wife Jane Dean and my daughter Elizabeth Dean.""

So, it is clear that Lizzie should have had money or property held in trust.

My Lizzie looking for Lizzie D.....and wondering where all their money went, as I said earlier she too was robbed of her rightful inheritance.



The Dean family continued to run public houses later in the 1800s... ..

[PRESTON'S INNS, TAVERNS and BEERHOUSES: Search results for dean \(pubsinpreston.blogspot.com\)](#)

[LAMB INN / NEW LAMB INN, 115 Park Road](#)

1849-1861 Landlord

1861

Thomas Dean

58 years

Beerseller

b. Hoghton

Mary Dean

55

Wife

do

Now from the Will of Samuel I learned that he had a son Thomas born about 1790 and it would appear he became a Tailor in Preston and on those birth entries earlier Samuel was described as a Clothier. Many years later after he was widowed he married again and there he was described as a Publican. His first marriage to Ann :

Marriage: 2 Dec 1815 St John, Preston, Lancashire, England

Thomas Dean - this Parish

Ann Lythgoe - this Parish

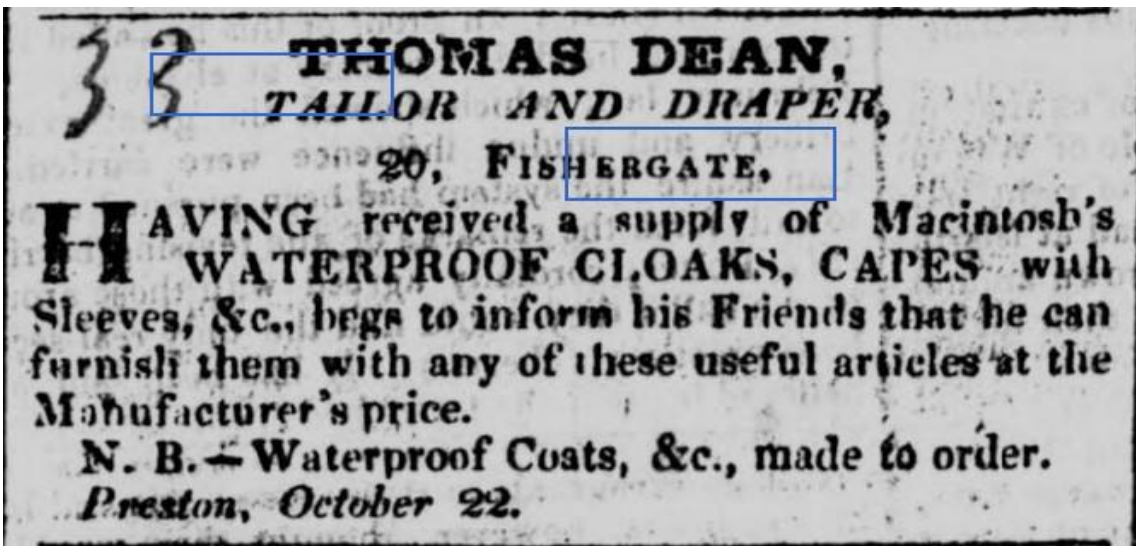
Soon after they had a son Thomas who also became a tailor. Lizzie Dean is always described as wearing colourful clothes; could it be that this cousin was the very source of her dresses ? In later years Thomas, the elder, had the Peacock Inn, Dale St. Manchester.

Baptism: 23 Oct 1818 St John, Preston, Lancashire, England

Thomas Dean - [Child] of Thomas Dean & Ann

Abode: Preston

Occupation: Tailor





The Roman Catholic Church, St. Mary Chipping.

There is nothing in life so intriguing as a coincidence. My own ancestors include Bleasdale and Dilworth and Myerscough are legion in this area. When I was underneath that Yew Tree praying for the repose of the soul of Lizzie one Thomas Bleasdale was also watching over me....he was also the Inn-keeper at The Talbot Inn, previously called the Dog Inn, Chipping, just down the hill from the church.

1814.	Paid Thos. Bleasdale [of the Talbot Inn, Chipping]	
	for wine	2 14 0
1012		

Imagine my surprise when I re-visited my Family Tree only to find out that one Thomas Bleasdale is my 4 x Great Grandfather. How spooky is that???? At the moment I cannot be certain as there may have been another Thos Bleasdale who was born in the same year but if it isn't the Bleasdales were all related and the one I have been scratching my head over was certainly the son of an Innkeeper so they were all in the trade !!

Burial: 15 Dec 1815 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

Thos. Bleasdale -

Age: 52

Abode: Chipping

Occupation: Innkeeper

Buried by: R. Smith Curate

[History of the parish of Chipping, in the county of Lancaster, with some account of the forests of Bleasdale and Bowland : Smith, Thomas C\[harles\] of Longridge, Eng : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

Close to the old yew tree is a stone with the lines :—
 SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF THOMAS BLEASDALE OF CHIPPING
 INN-KEEPER, WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE DECEMBER 13TH 1815,
 IN THE 52ND YEAR OF HIS AGE.
 GO HOME DEAR FRIEND AND SHED NO TEAR,
 HERE MUST I LIE TILL CHRIST APPEAR.
 AND THEN, O THEN, I HOPE TO HAVE
 A JOYFUL RISING FROM THE GRAVE.

1814.	Paid Thos. Bleasdale [of the Talbot Inn, Chipping]	
	for wine	2 14 0
1012		

After his death in 1815 by 1822 the Will was only just being proved. His widow Jane would have to abide by the terms of his will. Wives did not automatically inherit everything. Many times they are provided for but the eldest son would expect the lion’s share. Next job will be to order his Will.

Name: Bleasdale, Jane Address: Chipping, Amounderness, Lancashire
Occupation: Innkeeper & ; widow Contents: will

Western Deaneries of the Archdeaonry of Richmond. Name: Bleasdale, Jane Address: Chipping, Amounderness, Lancashire Occupation: Innkeeper & ; widow Contents: will

Held by:	Lancashire Archives
Date:	1822
Reference:	R 142/85

Marriage: 7 Sep 1812 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Thomas Bleasdale - Chipping
Jane Coates – Chipping

On one of my recent visits for research this grave appears to be overgrown with ivy but again just as I was trying to examine the inscription with my walking stick along came a man with a wheelbarrow doing a spot of gardening and he introduced himself as Simon, The Churchwarden. How fortuitous was that?

As I research I do have a distinct feeling that I am being guided. When Elizabeth *and I* were made homeless a priest said to me : “The fiery chariots they’re there you know, they are there!” Let the reader understand that this writing is a research tool rather than a definitive story; no history book is ever completely finished. I am at pains to provide facts only in order to get nearer to the truth.

It appears that another relative was a Margaret, there were two possible burials of a Margaret of a likely age in that period, one was described as a Papist the other died in the Almshouses, so presumably she was a good Anglican Conformist.

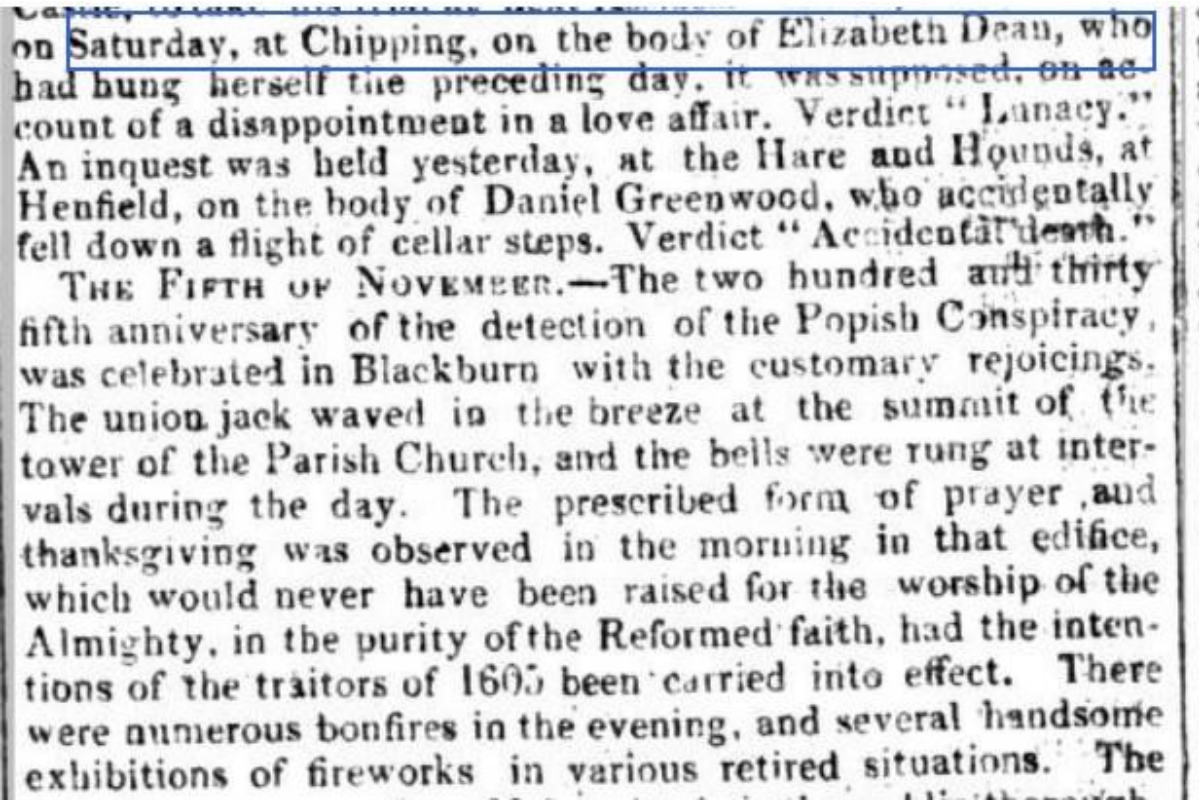
Burial: 7 Feb 1825 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Margaret Bleasdale -
Age: 37
Abode: Thornley
Notes: A Roman Catholic
Register: Burials 1813 - 1853 from the Bishop's Transcripts, Page 63, Entry 501
Source: LDS Film 1502474

Or

Burial: 24 Feb 1828 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Margaret Bleasdale -
Age: 62
Abode: Almshouse in Chipping
Buried by: E. Wilkinson, Vicar
Register: Burials 1813 - 1853 from the Bishop's Transcripts, Page 79, Entry 625
Source: LDS Film 1502474

Whichever it was it just goes to show there was animosity caused by a divide in religion and remember that Lizzie Dean’s father was likely to be from a Catholic/Papist background; did Lizzie know this? Maybe she did which would have added to her confused state of mind. Many families were divided by religion and still are. The date of her death was 5th November when anti-catholic feelings would have run high as they burned an effigy of Guy Fawkes and listened to a sermon in church first which would have exposed anyone who favoured the “old religion” to have been uncomfortable to say the the least.

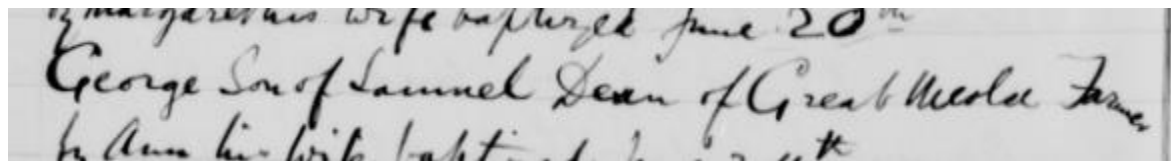
Notice how immediately below her Inquest Bonfire Night is reported at Blackburn:



The name of Dean is little to be seen in this area after this. None at all in Chipping, except for Lizzie herself. While there were a few Deans as I said earlier around Samlesbury Lizzie’s branch do seem to have come from Manchester and Kirby.

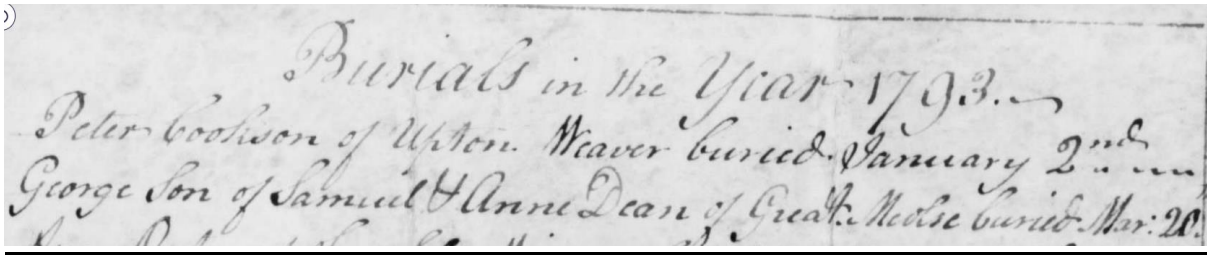
This link has been very useful:
[Chorley's Inns and Taverns: Chipping - Sun Inn \(chorleyinnsandtaverns.blogspot.com\)](http://chorleyinnsandtaverns.blogspot.com)

Finally after all the successful searches and “re-searches” we now know about others in this family from the Will and it does seem likely that old Samuel hailed from the South of the County and births etc. would say Cheshire as that then was the Diocese. Manchester was the just a Collegiate Church, not a Cathedral back then. We now know for certain that his wife was Ann and from his death at age 79 in 1817 that he was born in abt. 1738. After the hundreds of hours of reading and sifting through archives let the reader understand the nature of this writing which is taking shape as I compose it. I hope it will encourage you to do some research of your own.



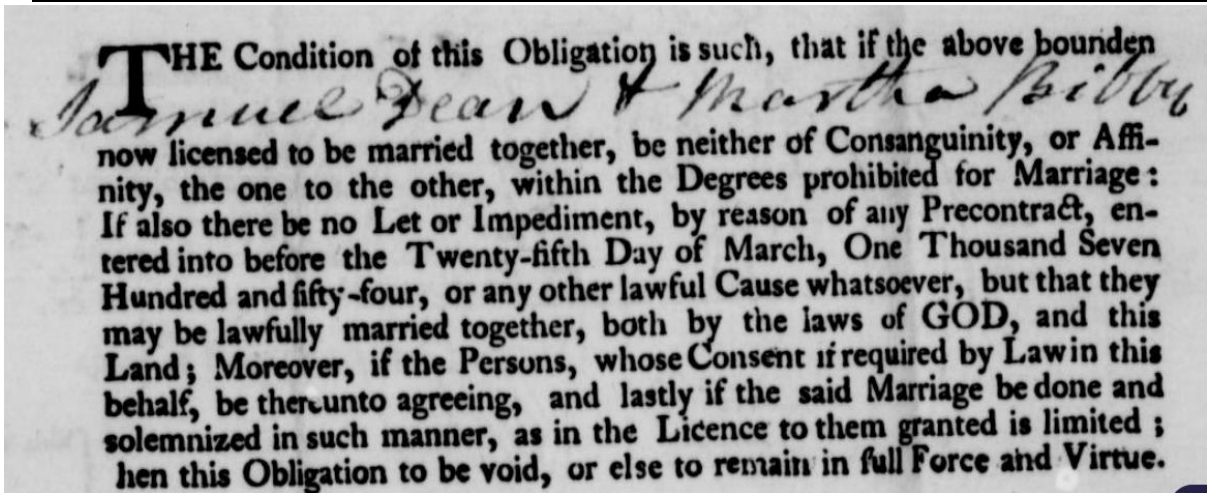
First name(s)	George	Country	England
Last name	Dean	Father's first name(s)	Samuel
Gender	Male	Father's last name	Dean
Birth year	1792	Mother's first name(s)	Ann
Baptism year	1792	Record set	Cheshire Diocese Of Chester 1911
Baptism date	24 Jun 1792	Category	Birth, Marriage, Death & Paris
Place	West Kirby	Subcategory	Parish Baptisms
County	Cheshire	Collections from	England, Great Britain

But he died....then another in the same place: 1793 and he died too.....:



So, not to be outdone, I looked at the over 30 marriages 1730-1800 in Cheshire of all the eponymous Samuel Deans and as I do so I am astonished to find this:

First name(s)	Samuel	Groom's occupation	Stocking-weaver
Last name	Dean	County	Cheshire
Marriage year	1811	Country	England
Marriage date	17 Jan 1811	Record set	Cheshire Marriage Licence Bonds And Allegations 1606-1905
Spouse's first name	Martha	Category	Birth, Marriage, Death & Parish Records
Spouse's last name	Bibby	Subcategory	Parish Marriages
Groom's residence	Manchester, Lancaster	Collections from	England, Great Britain



Now this is very remarkable as this marriage in 1811, Samuel Dean to a Martha Bibby comes seven years before Jane Dean nee Badger will marry another widower Richard Bibby (see later in this story !) on the early death of the elusive George Dean. There were a few Deans around Warrington who were Innkeepers, previous to the above marriage and then I then find this :

Marriage: 30 Jan 1798 St Mary, Lancaster, Lancashire, England
Richard Bibby - (X), Husbandman, Wyresdale in this parish
Margaret Lund - (X), Spinster, Wyresdale in this parish
Witness: Abm. Swinglhourst; Thomas Bradley
Married by Banns by: Joseph Rowley, Curate
Register: Marriages 1795 - 1811
Source: LDS Film 1526200

There is no doubt that these families are inter-related to such an extent that it would take a lot of research to discover exactly who was who. There are a lot of Richard Bibbys as with Samuel Deans.
I was perturbed at not being able to find the birth of George Dean and wondered if he was adopted.... Or just maybe he was born a Bibby ??

Baptism: 29 May 1794 St Mary the Virgin, Goosnargh, Lancashire, England
George Bibby - S of Richard Bibby
Abode: Goosnargh.
Register: Baptisms 1730 - 1808, Page 84, Entry 25
Source: LDS Film 1470930

Why Samuel Dean ventured North and used an alias might be explained by this bankruptcy in 1780 :

Found on Find My Past:

BANKRUPTS. I

... **Samuel Dean**, of King-street, London, Wine-merchant.

Published: Tuesday 14 November 1780

Lizzie would have been about 12 when her paternal grandmother died : at this time she would have been in Bamber Bridge with her mother and her then step-father.

Burial: 17 Nov 1827 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England

Ann Dean -

Age: _5? years

Abode: Alston

The Dean family as I am now discovering had many more connections with the beer and wine trade !

Baptism: 20 Nov 1826 All Saints, Wigan, Lancashire, England
Catharine Dean - 3 Daur. of Thomas Dean & Alice
Born: 26 Oct
Abode: Scholes
Occupation: Victualler
Baptised by: J. Bromilow Curate
Register: Baptisms 1825 - 1827, Page 200, Entry 1595
Source: LDS Film 1885677

Baptism: 26 Jun 1808 St Thomas, Upholland, Lancashire, England

Jane Dean - Daughter of Thomas Dean

Abode: UpHolland

Occupation: **Inn keeper**

Baptism: 5 Apr 1814 St James, Darwen, Lancashire, England

Joshua Deane - Son of Henry Deane & Ellen

Abode: Over Darwen

Occupation: **Victualler**

Marriage: 2 Oct 1862 St Peter, Burnley, Lancashire, England

Henry Dean - Full Age, **Inn Keeper**, Bachelor, Colne

Elizabeth Newbold - Full Age, Servant, Spinster, North Parade

You will find many more references to these Innkeeper families in the Appendix at the end.

I think it fairly safe to say there were a lot of Deans and many were in the Licensed trade.

Chapter 7: Lizzie's maternal side The Badgers

I hope I have well established in the reader's mind that the Deans were very much involved with the Licensed Trade and we will now see the same with the Badgers.

The Badgers had a Licence in Chipping in 1781!

Name: Badger, Richard Address: Chipping, Amounderness, Lancashire
Occupation: Innkeeper Contents: administration bond, affidavit,
tuition

Western Deaneries of the Archdeaconry of Richmond. Name: Badger, Richard Address: Chipping, Amounderness, Lancashire Occupation: Innkeeper Contents: administration bond, affidavit, tuition

Held by:	Lancashire Archives
Date:	1781
Reference:	R 111a/18

Richard Badger, almost certainly Jane's grandfather :

Burial: 6 Apr 1780 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England

Richard Badger -

Abode: Worston

Occupation: Innkeeper

And this death was also recorded in Chipping Parish as we saw above.

Burial: 30 Apr 1780 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

Richard Badger -

Abode: Chipping



The Calf's Head, Worston near Clitheroe.

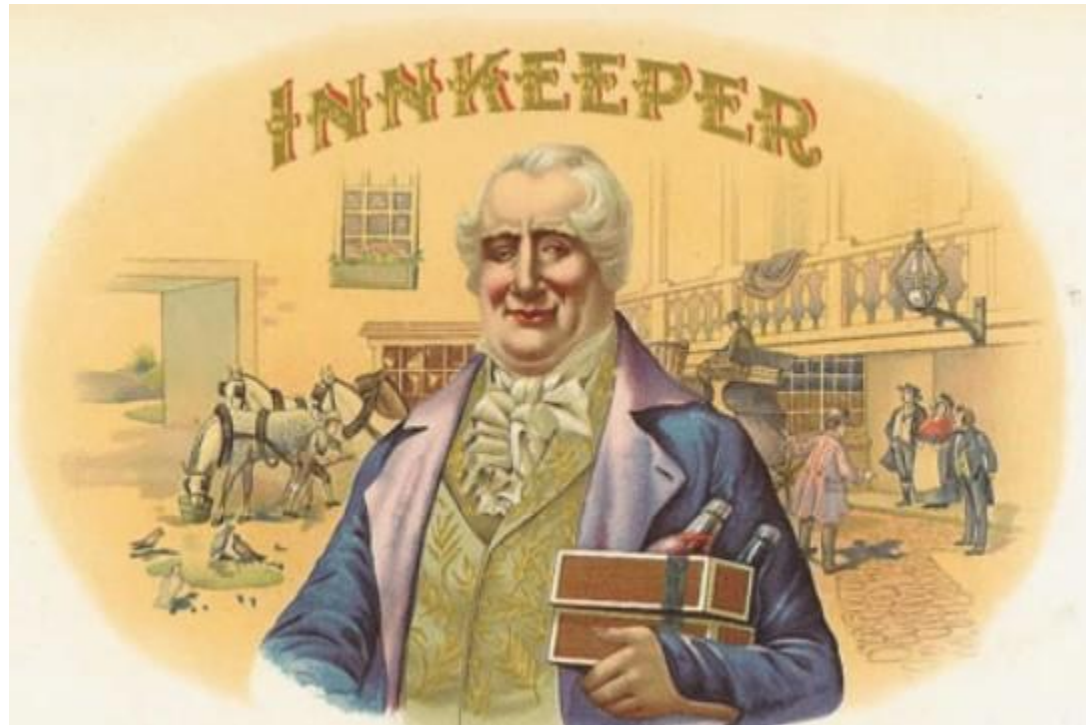
1841 census Worston, between Clitheroe and Pendle Hill.

Calfs Head	George W. W. W.	40	40
	James Badger	40	40
	Ann G.	40	40
	...	...	...

Name: Badger, Richard Address: Chipping, Amounderness, Lancashire
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Held by:	Lancashire Archives
Date:	1781
Reference:	R 111a/18



*This appears to be Lizzie's Great - Grandfather:
(not the picture above !)* :

Burial: 30 Apr 1780 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

Richard Badger -

Abode: Chipping

And this: Lizzie's Grandfather :

Marriage: 18 Jan 1796 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England

Thomas Badger - Joiner, Blackburn and County of Lancaster

Betty Dewhurst - Spinster, the Parish and County aforesaid

Lizzie's Auntie Mary

Baptism: 17 Apr 1796 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England

Mary Badger - Daughter of Thomas Badger

Abode: Dutton

Even Lizzie's Uncle Dick !

Baptism: 6 Jan 1803 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England

Richard Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Betty

Born: 14 Nov 1802

Abode: Dilworth

Occupation: Inn-keeper

Notes: Born Sunday, Baptised Thursday

Lizzie had so many Aunts and Uncles and Cousins on the Badger side, she must surely have known them. Her father George mentions his Father-in-law Thomas Badger in the warmest terms in his Will and leaves him £100. You never know what you will find with research in the past but Thomas Badger was the earlier Landlord of The Talbot in the late 1700s : very often the business and licence is passed on to family members so I conjecture that there is strong connection between the Badger, Dean, Bibby, Lund and Bleasdale and Dewhurst families and they were all at times in the Licensed Trade.

Thomas Badger was also at one time the Landlord of The Dog and Partridge, Chipping.

They were what we now call almost a cartel !

The newspaper cuttings below from The Manchester Mercury show Thomas Badger at the Talbot Inn in the 1760's.

	Broken Bank, the upper For Particulars Enquire of Mr. Peter IVrigbt, To be S O L D, ~ ht Hcuft •/ Thomas Badger , the Stgn of the Higher * t in Chippin, in the County Lancatler, Friday the F: tb o,y of April, 1765. between the one etna	Manchester Mercury Manchester, Lancashire, England	Added on 15 Sept 2014	✓
	POOL CHRONICLE for 17 . 65. NVITEREAS in a Letter dated LAS - ' CASTER t3th November, 1767, fig,ned Edward Salithury, and directed to Mr. Thomas Badger , in CHIPPING ; it is let forth," That as Mr. " Mayor is in the Favour of Lord john Ca vendilh, " He (Mr. Mayor) will not	14 January 1768 Liverpool Chronicle 1767 Liverpool, Lancashire, England	Added on 21 Sept 2021	
	March t). Rater t Blyih, of the Otf NermUh, Ct... of Ground, in Wakefield logs, which will prceipely penn'd and laid out for the Purpofe. To be S O L D, At the Houft of Thomas Badger , the Sign of the Higher Tal bot, in Chippn, in the County of Lancafter, Friday the Fifth Day of A pul, 1765, between the	12 March 1765 Manchester Mercury Manchester, Lancashire, England	Added on 15 Sept 2014	
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Later on he was also the Landlord of The White Bull at Longridge:

Baptism: 6 Jan 1803 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancs.

Richard Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Betty

Born: 14 Nov 1802

Abode: Dilworth

Occupation: Inn-keeper

Notes: Born Sunday, Baptised Thursday

Register: Baptisms 1794 - 1812, Page 35, Entry 1

Baptism: 5 Apr 1805 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancs.

Martha Badger - D of Thomas Badger & Betty

Born: 11 Mar 1805

Abode: Dilworth

Occupation: Inn-keeper

Notes: Born Monday, Baptised Friday

Register: Baptisms 1794 - 1812, Page 59, Entry 2

Baptism: 16 Aug 1807 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancs.

Elizabeth Badger - D of Thos. Badger & Betty

Born: 27 Jul 1807

Abode: Dilworth

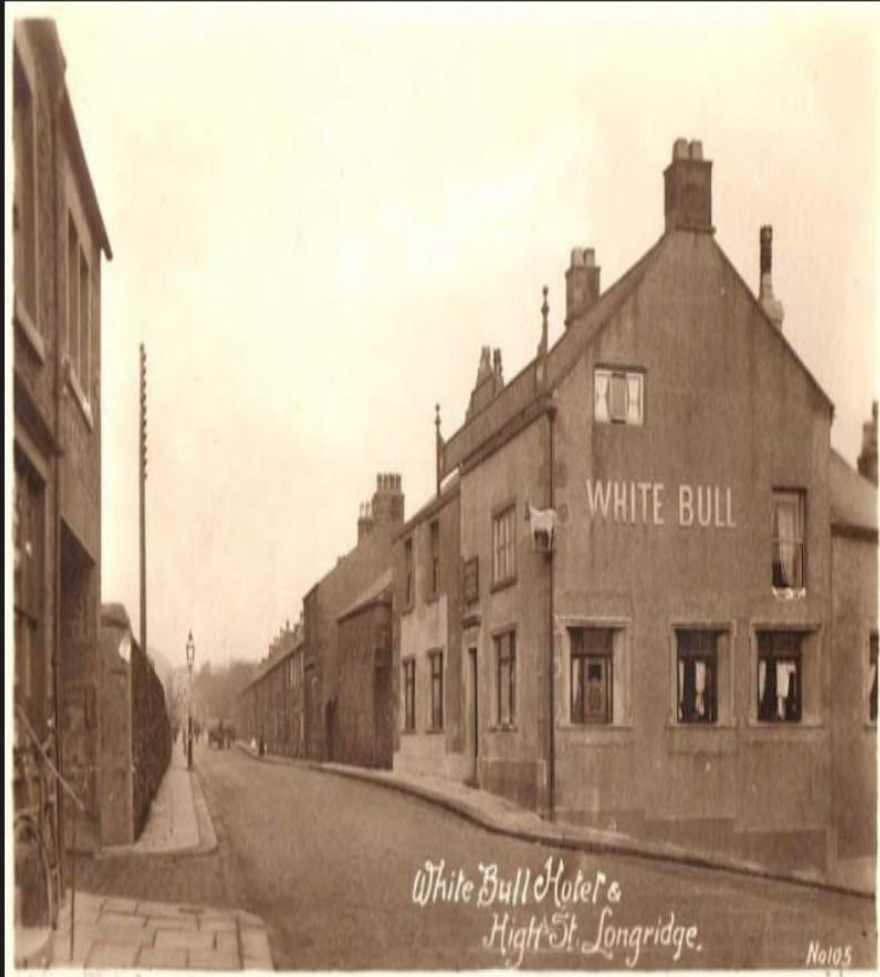
Occupation: Inn-keeper

Notes: Born Monday, Baptised Sunday

Register: Baptisms 1794 - 1812, Page 89, Entry 4

Local baptismal and directory records confirm that Thomas and Betty moved from the White Bull to the Dog Inn road in the years following Elizabeth's birth.

Listed landlords at the White Bull were Thomas Badger (1804-), William Seed (1818-), John Kenyon (1841), Thomas Coskery (-1844), Jane Coskery (1844-), Charles Foster (1845-51), Richard Wilcock (1854-59), Roger Harrison Parker (1861-67), Richard Greenall (1867-), Thomas Watson (1868-75), Alice Watson (-1876), Mr. & Mrs. Fisher (1877-), Robert Preston (1881-), David MacIntosh (1891-99) and Thomas Yates (1899-).



I am sure many of you will recognize this building still in Longridge but now a private house.

Free to view	A PARTICULAR OF Several Valuable PIECES a... Receiver. , I Manchester, July 6, 1804. ELIGIBLE FARMS. r TO BE LET, BY TICKET, FOR A TERM OF YRARS, At the house of Thomas Badger , tie White- Bull, in Longridge, on Wednesday the 12th day of September next, at five o'clock in the evening ; To be entered	04 August 1804 Lancaster Gazette Lancaster, Lancashire, England Added on 31 May 2013
Free to view	ON SALE, I A FEW PUN BARNSFOLD, situate in the township of Goosnargh, all in the county of Lancaster, advertised to be LET, at the house of Thomas Badger , the White Bull, In Longridge, on Wednesday, the 12th September n. Xt, are Let by Private Contract. MR. AND MRS. H. SIDDONS	11 August 1804 Lancaster Gazette Lancaster, Lancashire, England Added on 31 May 2013
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More Aunts & Uncles of Lizzie : this will keep you busy!

Baptism: 5 Apr 1805 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England

Martha Badger - D of Thomas Badger & Betty

Born: 11 Mar 1805

Abode: Dilworth

Occupation: Inn-keeper

Baptism: 16 Aug 1807 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England

Elizabeth Badger - D of Thos. Badger & Betty

Born: 27 Jul 1807

Abode: Dilworth

Occupation: Inn-keeper

Baptism: 11 Jan 1810 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England

Sarah Badger - D of Thomas Badger & Betty

Born: 16 Dec 1809

Abode: Alston

Occupation: Inn-keeper

Baptism: 23 Feb 1812 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England

Thomas Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Betty

Born: 4 Feb 1812 Abode: Alston

Occupation: Inn-keeper

Baptism: 28 Aug 1814 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Barbara Elizabeth Badger - Daughter of Richard Badger & Barbara
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**
Baptism: 11 Sep 1814 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Thomas Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Betty
Abode: Alston
Occupation: **Inn-keeper**
Baptism: 10 Aug 1816 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
William Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Alston Occupation: **Inn-keeper**
Baptism: 15 Sep 1816 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Joseph Badger - [Child] of Richard Badger & Barbara
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**
Baptism: 1 Nov 1816 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Mary Badger - [Child] of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Worston
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**
Baptism: 22 Jan 1819 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Elizabeth Badger - [Child] of Richard Badger & Barbary
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**

Baptism: 9 Jul 1819 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Ann Badger - [Child] of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Worston
Occupation: Labourer
Baptism: 4 Jun 1820 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
William Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Alston
Occupation: **Inn-keeper**
Baptism: 19 Jan 1821 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
John Badger - [Child] of Richard Badger & Barbary
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**
Burial: 3 Feb 1822 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Richard Badger -
Age: 19 years
Abode: Alston

LIZZIE’S MOTHER:

Baptism: 30 Jul 1824 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Jane Badger - [Child] of Thomas Badger & Betty
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**

OTHER RELATIVES:

Baptism: 28 Sep 1826 St Mary, Newchurch In Pendle, Lancashire, England
Thomas Badger - Son of Mark Badger & Jenny
Abode: Newchurch
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**

Baptism: 22 Feb 1828 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Richard Badger - [Child] of James Badger & Ann (formerly Parkinson)
Born: 28 Jan 1828
Abode: Worston
Occupation: **Publican**
Baptism: 20 Jul 1828 St Mary, Newchurch In Pendle, Lancashire, England
Mary Badger - Daughter of Mark Badger & Jenny
Abode: Newchurch
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**

Baptism: 1 Jan 1832 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
David Badger - [Child] of James Badger & Anne
Born: 11 Jul 1831
Abode: Clitheroe, Worston
Occupation: **Publican**

Baptism: 4 Oct 1833 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Margaret Anne Badger - [Child] of James Badger & Anne
Born: 7 Sep 1833
Abode: Worston
Occupation: **Inn Keeper**
Source: LDS Film 1278858

My October visit included Longridge graveyard to see if I could spot any names...



Whilst we do not know for certain that Lizzie knew much about her Dean relatives with her father dying so young yet she must have known her maternal grandfather Thomas Badger and may well have been affected by his death in 1831.

SEPTEMBER 3, 1831. ▾

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On the 2nd ult, Joseph Bywater, of Vetchwood, was married to Mary Bywater, the widow of his father.—When questioned at the altar, as to whether they were related, they both stoutly denied it.

Deaths.

On Sunday last, aged 27, Esther, the youngest daughter of Mr. Gradwell, Stafford-street, Liverpool, and formerly of this town.

On Tuesday last, Mr. Thomas Badger, of the Old Legs of Man Inn, in this town, and formerly of the Dog Inn, Longridge, in the 56th year of his age. He had a numerous circle of friends, by whom, and his own family, he is deservedly regretted.

Burial: 2 Sep 1831 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Thomas Badger -
Age: 56
Abode: Preston



One thing is certain, that Thomas Badger was a man of considerable wealth :

Amount of Rate 1837, exclusive of unoc-			
cupied Houses.....	£5300	0	0
September 25th, By Cash Received.....	2250	0	0
To Collect.....	3050	0	0
BY THE TREASURER, MR. ABRAHAM.			
1837			
July 2nd.	To principal Money to the		
	Executors of the Will of		
	Thomas Badger, deceased		
	300	0	0
February 4th.	To principal Money due to		
	Mr. Hugh Beeconsall.....		
	500	0	0
" "	To principal Money due to		
	Mr. John Beeconsall.....		
	500	0	0
September 25th.	Balance due to Pedder & Co		
	as this day shown by Bank-		
	ing Book.....		
	1196	17	6
	£2496	17	6
BY THE CLERK FOR WORK ORDERED, JOHN J. MYRES.			
1835			
March 6th.	Crossing Place near St. Pe-		

Note here too that the Badgers were also already related to the Lunds (*let the reader understand the Lunds may be key to the story...read on !*) about two generations before !!! They had at least five children all baptised in Kirkham....

This is Lizzie's Gt Gt Grandparents.....note the name Lund !

Marriage: 31 Jan 1703/4 St Mary, Penwortham, Lancashire, England
John Badger - Plumton
Elizabeth Lund - Longton

There were 5 BADGER matches for this search!.... [Refine](#)
Thomas, eldest, Ellen, John, Jennet, & William.. [Search](#)

We saw this fellow at the beginning of the chapter and I now discover that Lizzie's Great Grandfather's mother was a Lund !

Baptism: 1 Jan 1704/5 St Michael, Kirkham, Lancashire, England
Thomas Badger - fil John Badger & Elizabeth Lund
Abode: Westby
Register: Baptisms 1678 - 1712 from the Bishop's Transcripts
Source: LDS Film 1502433

Lizzie's grandmother (Badger) was born Dewhurst.....

Red Lion, Jane & Ellen Dewhurst,
Longridge [Green
Sherburne Arms, Wm. Parker, Hurst
With Sheep Lane, Cocker, Long-

More about Lunds and Dewhursts in the trade

Fenton's Arms, Robert Lund, Bailey
Lord de Tabley's Arms, Thomas
Dewhurst, Clayton-le-Dale

The Dewhursts were still involved with the Talbot in 1908!

County Sessions

A CHIPPING TRANSFER. The license of the Talbot Hotel, Chipping, was transferred from Richard Dewhurst (deceased) to Hannah Dewhurst, his widow.

Published: Friday 27 March 1908

Newspaper: Clitheroe Advertiser and Times

County: Lancashire, England



Joe and Annie Whalley kept the Talbot Hotel when this picture was taken. On the left is their adopted son William Parkinson, the girl on the left is Doris Whalley, in the centre, Florrie Whalley and the child on the doorstep is Annie Whalley.

The Talbot was officially handed over from James Lund to the Robinsons in 1858 :

Chipping - Talbot Inn (Hotel)

Name: The Talbot Arms

Address: Talbot Street (previously Bridge Street), Chipping



c.1890s Landlord Mann Robinson, family and customers

The Talbot Inn (or Talbot Hotel) is said to date back to 1779 and pre-dates its neighbour, the Tillotson Arms by around sixty years. Early records from the mid-1800s show the Inn was originally owned by the Robinson family who were farmers and resided at Parsonage Farm in Chipping; periodically members of the extended family also ran the Inn following the death of serving landlords, such as Isabella Robinson and Mann Robinson.

26 May 1858

BLACKBURN INFIRMARY: ITS ORIGIN, HISTORY, AND PROGRESS, TO THE YEAR 1858

drawn either on a stamped form, or an adhesive penny draft stamp (not a postage stamp) must be affixed to the draft.

TRANSFER OF LICENSES.—At the weekly county sessions, on Wednesday, the following transfers were granted:—The Black Bull, Haslingden, from Thomas Hartley to John Duckworth; Hare and Hounds, Haslingden, from William Leach to John Wood; Black Bull, Bamber Bridge, from Elizabeth Seddon to Thomas Livesey; Navigation Inn, Church, from Matthew Duckworth to John Nuttall; Pack Horse Inn, Oswaldtwistle, from Adam Sharples to John Sharples; Talbot Inn, Chipping, from James Lund to Isabella Robinson; Tontine Arms, Longridge, from Adam

I turn now to the mother of Lizzie about which there is much more to be said than about her late husband, George Dean. Now Jane Badger as you see above came from a very big family of Inn-keepers....They ranged from Alston, between Longridge and Preston towards Ribblesdale and Worston (near Clitheroe) to Pendle Hill. In later times The Three Fishes at Mitton and The Calf's Head at Worston, In this list of family events she was born in early 1798 which meant she was only 16 going on 17 when she married George Dean.

Lizzie's mother: Baptism: 18 Feb 1798 St Bartholomew, Chipping,
Jane Badger - daughter of Thomas Badger & Elisabeth

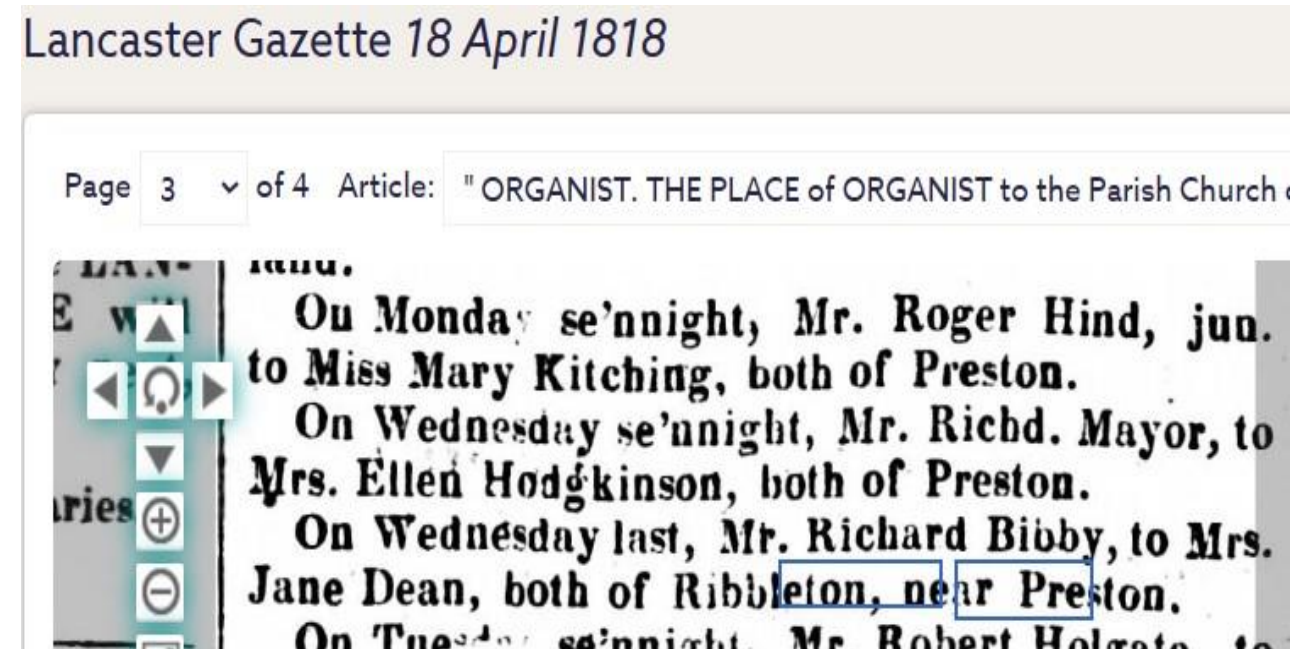
Chapter 8 : Let us now turn our attention to The Bibbys and Bleasdales.

.....So, quite a large family history there for Jane Badger, the Widow Dean....but not for long !

In 1818 April 15th she now marries Richard Bibby apparently of Walton-le Dale. George Dean had not yet gone cold in his grave (February that year) and just two months later Jane can put away her widow's weeds !!!! They were not waiting for banns to be published either so paid £2 (over £250 in today's money!) for a *Special Licence*:

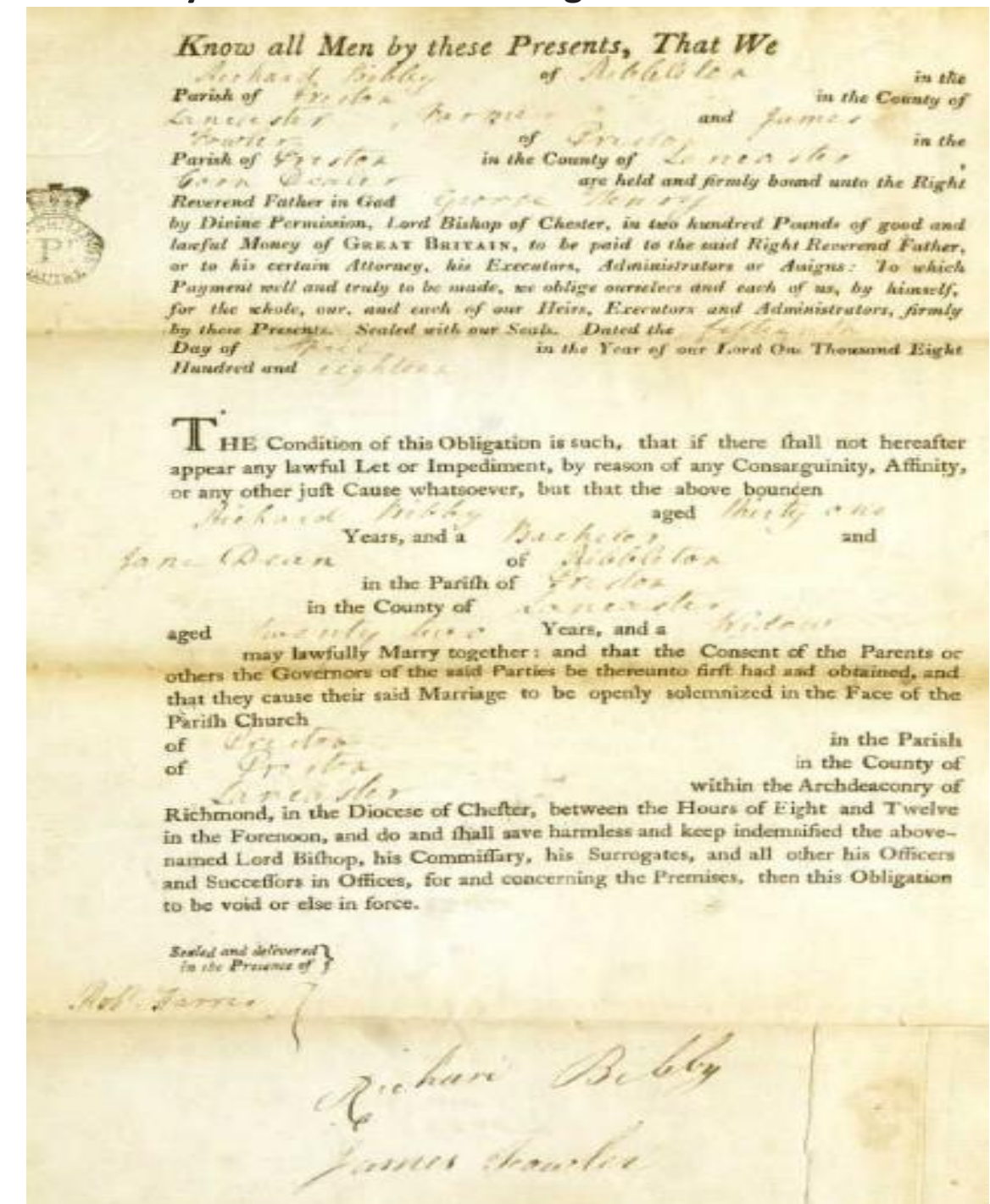
Richard Bibby	of this Parish
and Jane Dean	of this Parish
were married in this Church	by Licence with Consent of
this Fifteenth	Day of
April	in the Year One thousand eight hundred and Eighteen
By me M. Mark Curate	
This Marriage was solemnized between us	{ Richard Bibby Jane Dean
In the Presence of	{ Mary Bibby Thomas Driver
No. 114	

...and here is a newspaper cutting :



I hope, if you are still reading, you will now have come to terms with two major points. That Lizzie Dean was not a waif and stray from London but a part of a huge family network and, if you are a local person you are very likely to be related in some way to her yourself. Secondly that her family were all Innkeepers and I am guessing that somewhere in Lancashire some of their descendants probably still are.

Widow Dean is about to start a whole new dynasty with Richard Bibby.....And here is the original licence document....



Richard and Jane were not complete strangers either as this was not the first time a Bibby had married a Dean!

Marriage: 30 May 1754 All Saints, Wigan, Lancashire, England
James Bibby - Wigan
Ann Dean - (X), Wigan
Witness: Richd. Winnard, (X); Ann Deane
Married by Banns by: Thos. Edge Curate
Register: Marriages 1754 - 1775, Page 3
Source: LDS Film 1885674

There were 11 matches for this search of Bibby and Dean marriages !

In the 1841 Census in Chipping Elizabeth’s mother Jane still had the Sun Inn with her second husband Richard Bibby, step-father of the then late Lizzie and father of her half-sister and six half-brothers.

As I said earlier perhaps Lizzie may have been expected to fetch and carry and do all the chores expected of the eldest child and more besides as she was a girl and I think most would know that lads are very lazy ! A real life Cinderella then..!!! But.... She certainly was no ordinary unknown scullery maid. One cannot help wondering if the relationship with a step-father might have been a tense one, especially as she became a typical rebellious teenager. She might have resented being scolded by him.

Perhaps the relationship of a teen with a step-father may have had its difficulties.



Sun Inn Chipping	1	Richard Bibby	50	Brakekeeper	9
		Jane	45		9
		Major	20	Butcher	9
		Richard	15		9
		John	13		9
		William	12		9
		Alice Norcross	20	H. L.	9

Note here the name of the Servant girl Alice Norcross.... More about her later.

Mary the twin sister of Major is not on this census as she had married Robert Dunderdale but not before she has had a child out of wedlock: another rebellious teenager? And, in the aftermath of a suicide which may well affected her. She named her child after her deceased half-sister.

Baptism: 15 Sep 1839 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Elizabeth Bibby - Illegitimate Daughter of Mary Bibby, Spinster
Abode: Chipping
Baptised by: E. Wilkinson, Vicar
Register: Baptisms 1813- 1848 from the Bishop's Transcripts, Page 158,
Entry 1263
Source: LDS Film 1514321

From the registers of births it showed that Richard and Jane were running an Inn in Bamber Bridge before coming to Chipping..... The only beer house was Ye Olde Hob Inn on Church St. This beautiful thatched roof pub is a grade II listed building and dates back to 1616 when it was a coaching house known as The Black Horse. An unusual feature of the building is the set of four mounting steps at the front left side. Typically there are only three mounting steps found on most buildings. They were used to assist in mounting a horse. By 1841 the only publican/Innkeeper in Walton and Bamber Bridge was a Mr. Wilson. I at first thought most probably a relative of the wife of Mr. Badger of the Calf's Head at Worston mentioned elsewhere.

A little more research however reveals a truth which, without the Vicar making a special note, might have been hidden.....and it is very pertinent to our understanding. John Badger is probably the Mr. Wilson of Ye Olde Hob Inn at Bamber Bridge and brother or cousin to Jane Badger, Lizzie's mother.

Baptism: 9 Dec 1838 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Thomas Badger - [Child] of John Badger & Anne
Born: 14 Nov 1838
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: Farmer

Notes: John Badger his name properly is **Wilson** having been born out of Wedlock - and
he was married in that name in 1836

Marriage: 22 Dec 1836 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
John Wilson - This Town & Chapelry
Ann Whittaker - Mearley in this Chapelry



This John Wilson may be a cousin or even a brother of Jane Badger...that will take another few hours to ascertain....let me know if you find out !

Baptism: 4 Nov 1810 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England

John Wilson - Son of Elizabeth Wilson

Abode: Worston

Notes: Illegitimate

Register: Baptisms 1779 - 1812, Page 44, Entry 29

Source: LDS Film 1278857

MARY MARY.....QUITE CONTRARY.....

Now this next discovery below is curious and rather throws a wobbler into the collection of facts. Richard Bibby was clearly an Innkeeper at Bamber Bridge when he married Jane but he already appeared to have a daughter Mary. It would seem strange to have her baptised then *after* this marriage so I may have some facts mixed up, unless he was in a bigamous relationship ! I can find no record of a burial of Betty as wife of Richard so either way something does not add up here !

Baptism: 21 Sep 1820 St Leonard, Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire, England

Mary Bibby - Daughter of **Richard Bibby & Betty**

Abode: Bamber Bridge in Walton

Occupation: **Inn Keeper**

Baptised by: Jas. Greenwood Off Minister

Register: Baptisms 1813 - 1831, Page 127, Entry 1014

Source: Original Register held at Lancashire Archives

....Many hours later.....I find there was no such Betty !

Mary appears to be a twin with Major and her mother was Jane after all!

September 21	Major Son of	Richard and Jane	Bibby	Bamber Bridge in Walton	Jas Greenwood Off Minister
No. 1013.					
September 21	Mary Daughter of	Richard and Jane	Bibby	Bamber Bridge in Walton	Jas Greenwood Off Minister
No. 1014.					

Well there you go.....shows you cannot always rely on transcriptions I can only wonder at this amazing detective work of mine...this looks as if she is the twin sister of Major.

Now.....another scandal... Mary above who would have been 19 in 1839 had an illegitimate daughter as already mentioned above :

Baptism: 15 Sep 1839 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Elizabeth Bibby - Illegitimate Daughter of Mary Bibby, Spinster
Abode: Chipping
Baptised by: E. Wilkinson, Vicar

One might presume she was whisked out of the village and back to Bamber Bridge to family there where this baby may have died:

Burial: 18 Aug 1840 St Leonard, Walton le Dale, Lancashire, England
Elizabeth Bibby -
Age: 20 months
Abode: Walton Le Dale
Buried by: William Birley
Register: Burials 1837 - 1861, Page 35, Entry 280
Source: LDS Film 1526061

She had however married Robert earlier that year so perhaps he was the father....?

Marriage: 10 Feb 1840 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Robert Dunderdale - of full age, Husbandman, Bachelor, Thornley with Wheatley
Mary Bibby - of full age, Spinster, Chipping
Groom's Father: Richard Dunderdale, Yeoman
Bride's Father: Richard Bibby, Inn Keeper
Witness: William Rhodes; Richard Seed
Married by Licence by: Edmund Wilkinson, Vicar

They quickly replaced this Elizabeth with another..... in 1841 they were all together in Chipping living happily ever after:

Parkers	1	Robert Dunderdale	20	Hammer	2
		Mary Do	20		2
		Elizabeth Do	1		2

I wonder why the first baby daughter Elizabeth died in Walton? And who might have been the father? Mary had clearly named this child after her half-sister Lizzie but it died. She also named the next child Elizabethso our Lizzie was not forgotten after all.

One Richard Bibby, probably ours, seems to have land in Caton, near Lancaster inherited from his father John Bibby.

Page 1 of 4 Article: JOHN C O OK, j rtfBER, GLAZIER, AND PAI

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By the Assignee of the Estate and Effects of JOHN BIBBY, the elder, an Insolvent Debtor) at the House of Mr. RICHARD BIBBY, the *Black Bull* Public House, at Brookhouses, in Caton, near Lancaster on MONDAY, the 1st day of AUGUST NEXT, at 6 o'clock in the Evening :

A Valuable FIELD OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate near to CATON WORK HOUSE, in Caton aforesaid, containing by admeasurement 4A. 3R. 5P. of Land, Statute Measure, and now in the Possession of Richard Townley, as Tenant.

The said Richard Bibby or Richard Townley will show the Land, and further Information may be known on application to Mr. LAMB, of Hay Carr, or to Mr. THOS. LAMB, Solicitor, Lancaster.

Lancaster, June 28th, 1836.

Richard Bibby was apparently quite wealthy :

The Devonshire Ghost.

there be produced ;
The Manor or reputed Manor of Broughton,
IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER—AND
ALL that capital *Messuage* and *Tenement*, in
Broughton aforesaid, called BROUGHTON-TOWER, with the Demesne and other Lands there-
to belonging, containing 102a. 1r. 12p. after seven
yards to the rod, or thereabouts, be the same more
or less, now in the occupation of Richard Bibby
Also, a *Messuage* and *Tenement*, in Broughton
aforesaid, containing 37a 2r 32p, of the like measure,
be the same more or less, now in the possession of
Widow Alston.
Also a *Messuage* and *Tenement*, in Broughton
aforesaid, containing 26a 1r 3p, of the like measure,
be the same more or less, now in the occupation of
John Hubbersty.

As I said before Catholics were not popular with the Clergy of the Established Church. I don't know whose child this is but the Vicar denounced this poor Bibby child : so much for the Act of Toleration !

Burial: 19 Aug 1825 St John, Preston, Lancashire, England
James Bibby -
Age: 1½
Abode: Queen St. Notes: Papist ..Not nice to brand this child in such a way....it goes to show how even in 1825 Catholics were hated !

James Bibby, presumably Richard’s brother has a daughter Mary-ann in 1813

Yet another Landlord !

Baptism: 21 Feb 1813 St Paul, Marton, Lancashire, England
Mary-ann Bibby - Daughter of Jas. Bibby & Jane
Born: 23 Jan 1813
Abode: Little Marton
Occupation: **Landlord**
Notes: [Innkeeper in Poulton 1813-1825 register]
Baptised by: Geo. Hall

Now let’s recap on the Richard Bibby and Jane Family:

Baptism: 21 Sep 1820 St Leonard, Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire, England
Mary Bibby - Daughter of Richard Bibby & Jane
Abode: Bamber Bridge in Walton
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Jas. Greenwood Off Minister

AND PRESUMABLY HER TWIN BROTHER :

Baptism: 21 Sep 1820 St Leonard, Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire, England
Major Bibby - Son of Richard Bibby & jANE
Abode: Bamber Bridge in Walton
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Jas. Greenwood Off Minister

Baptism: 28 Jan 1822 St Leonard, Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire, England
Walter Bibby - Son of Richard Bibby & Jenny
Abode: Bamber Bridge
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Jas. Greenwood Offg. Minister

Walter, who like Mary was not on the 1841 census above in Chipping. I tracked him down, he was a 15 year old Carrier in Garstang and later married.

Marriage: 28 Apr 1846 St Helen, Garstang, Lancashire, England
Walter Bibby - 24, Carrier, Bachelor, Preston
Ellen Rawcliffe - 28, Dressmaker, Spinster, Garstang
Groom's Father: Richard Bibby, Inn Keeper
Bride's Father: Henry Rawcliffe, Butcher
Witness: Jno. Rawcliffe; Rob Rawcliffe

**Soon after 5 more sons came along for Jane :
How did she cope with them all whilst running the pub? Lizzie, Mary & Major, Walter, Thomas, Richard (died) and John, Richard 2nd and finally William.**

Baptism: 14 Apr 1824 St Leonard, Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire, England
Thomas Bibby - Son of Richard Bibby & Jane
Abode: Bamber Bridge
Occupation: Innkeeper

Baptism: 11 Jan 1826 St Leonard, Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire, Abode: Bamber Bridge
Richard Bibby
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptism: 5 Oct 1828 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
(THE ABOVE CHILD DIED IN INFANCY)

The move to Chipping
Baptism: 5 Oct 1828 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
John Bibby - S of Richard Bibby & Jane
Abode: Chipping
Occupation: Innkeeper
Baptised by: Edmd. Wilkinson, Vicar

Richard Bibby (2nd)- S of Richard Bibby & Jane
Abode: Chipping
Occupation: Innkeeper
Notes: B? Previously baptized privately at Walton-le-Dale within County.
Baptised by: Edmd. Wilkinson, Vicar

Baptism: 10 Oct 1830 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
William Bibby - S of Richard Bibby & Jane
Abode: Chipping
Occupation: **Innkeeper**
Baptised by: Edmd. Wilkinson, Vicar

Later this Thomas would be running his own pub on Fishergate in Preston!

Marriage: 22 Aug 1854 St John, Preston, Lancashire, England
Thomas Bibby - 30, Inn Keeper, Bachelor, Fishergate
Mary Smith - 24, Spinster, Marsh Lane
Groom's Father: Richard Bibby, Yeoman
Bride's Father: late James Smith, Inn Keeper
Witness: William Masheter; Jane Atkinson
Married by License by: S. Hastings Curate
Register: Marriages 1853 - 1854, Page 175, Entry 350
Source: LDS Film 93995

It would appear that the arrival of the Bibby family to Chipping may have begun *not* at The Sun but at the Talbot.....Thomas Bleasdale, Landlord of The Talbot, who you remember was buried under a Yew Tree (there are five in the graveyard) and possibly near to Lizzie Dean died in 1815, he is related to the Bibby's too. I had a notion that Richard had been married previous to marrying Jane, the widow Dean nee Badger. Was the death of Thos Bleasdale the catalyst for Richard and Jane to come back to these parts? Certainly Richard was on the Chipping 1832 electoral register:

2206	Baines, Philip	do	Freehold inn and land	do.
2267	Bibby, Richard	Chipping	Freehold inn and land	do.

Richard Bibby Inn-Keeper

BIRTH 14 DEC 1786 • Walton, Lancashire, England

DEATH 11 JAN 1858 • Lancaster, England

stepfather

Richard would have been 32 when he married young Jane Dean nee Badger, she only 20. I think it highly likely he had been married before.

Perhaps Richard was previously married....but for this one he would surely have been too young.... Perhaps this was a father or an uncle? It does show the connection with Bleasdales.

Marriage: 3 May 1796 St Mary, Lancaster, Lancashire, England
Richard Bibby - Cordwainer, Wyresdale in this parish
Margaret Bleasdale - Spinster, Wyresdale in this parish
Witness: Jas. Bleasdale; Alice Bibby

.....Or, although he would have been quite young back then could he have married a Lund? Perhaps it was his cousin. There was definitely a family link with the Lunds....or it could have been his uncle and aunt : The Bibbys were also related to the Lunds as well.....more of them shortly... ! Just how many times did someone called Richard Bibby marry ???

Marriage: 30 Jan 1798 St Mary, Lancaster, Lancashire, England
Richard Bibby - (X), Husbandman, Wyresdale in this parish
Margaret Lund - (X), Spinster, Wyresdale in this parish

Thomas Bleasdale, buried probably near to Lizzie, was mentioned in the Churchwarden's accounts presumable supplying wine for Communion or was it just for the PCC meeting?

The Churchwardens' Accounts have been preserved only from 1809; the items of most interest are here given:—

1809.	Expence of making up accounts last year. (N.B. This was before any regulation was concerning expences, etc.)	£	s.	d.
	Clerk—Wages	4	13	4½
	Do. —Tenting clock, sweeping church	1	10	0
	Do. —Washing linen	0	7	0
	Do. —Sweeping steps	6	18	0
	Thomas Cottam for wine [for communion]	3	15	0
	Bread	0	1	8
	Court fees and prayers for fast days	0	12	4
	Ringers' wages	6	6	0
	Ringers for ringing on Nov. 5	0	9	0
1810.	May 10 Paid for making up the old accounts	0	5	11
	Wine for all the year - 6 days	4	13	0
	Bread for do.	0	2	10
	Repairing lanthorn	0	1	6
	Thomas Cottam—Dinners, 10s.; ale. 8s. 9d.	0	18	9
	Loosing a letter	0	0	11
1811.	Repairs of Chipping Church	67	11	9½
1814.	Paid Thos. Bleasdale [of the Talbot Inn, Chipping] for wine	2	14	0
1815.	Paid for Almanack for the Vicar	0	5	0
	Paid for ringers' candles	0	3	0
	Paid Briefs	0	5	11½
1817.	June 21 Paid for carpeting [sic] Communion Table	0	15	0
	Stephen Simpson repairing clock ¹	2	2	0
	Dec. 22 Paid for 6 new bell ropes	2	8	0
1818.	Aug. 3 Paid for cleaning the Rev. J. Milner's monument	0	7	6
	Nov. 5 Spent at each public house 4s. 6d. ²	0	9	0

¹ Under date Chipping, March 28, 1815, occurs the following memorandum:—"On the above day Mr. Stephen Simpson was paid the sum of £60, being the price agreed upon for finishing the church clock now lately erected at Chipping, and he further engages to keep it in repair for the above sum."

² In the year 1818 a subscription was raised for ceiling the north aisle in the church, amounting to £36 14s.; but as the cost only came to £23 10s., the balance went towards the church expenses. The subscribers were:—Wm. Bond, £2; Edmd. Parkinson, £2; John Parkinson, £2; Henry Bleasdale, £1;

The Churchwarden's liked a tippie and were quite happy to add their expenses both from The Talbot & The Dog and Partridge !

	Nov. 5	Paid Richard Kendrick for making the churching pew	2	9	9
	Dec. 22	Paid Peter Cooper for slating and whitewashing the steeple	9	4	6
		To ale given to the workmen at do.	0	2	4
1820.	July 7	Paid for ¼ lb. of tobacco	0	1	2½
1821.	May	Paid John Townley, parish clerk	4	0	0
		Paid John Townley's widow	2	18	10½
	July 3	Paid for malleable iron gate, locks, etc., £15 3s. 2d. (given by subscriptions towards the said gate £10)	5	3	2
	10	Given the ringers on the Coronation Day	1	1	0
Sep. 5		John Cross for whitewashing the church	1	12	9
Dec. 7		Paid Mr. Addison [of Preston] for binding the church bibles, 14s. and for a new prayer-book, £2 4s. 6d.	2	18	6
1822.	May 2	Paid for a quart of ale when Mr. Rhodes's servant brought a cart load of stones	0	0	7
		Mr. Hindle for ale drunk by the Ringers, 5 Nov., 1821	0	4	8
	June 21	Paid the executors of the late Mr. Bleasdale for wine ³	0	10	0
1825.	Mar. 12	Paid for paper and fiddle strings ⁴	0	8	8
	June 10	Paid Mr. Walker for iron chest	7	7	0
	Sep. 2	Paid for ale at John Kay's [the Dog and Partridge Inn]	0	1	8
1826.	Apl. 17	Paid for a collection of church music	0	8	0

James Baines, £3; Jonas Rhodes, £3; Mrs. Ann Parkinson, £1; Wm. Rhodes, £2; James Rhodes, £2; Rd. Kenyon, £2; Isaac Rhodes, £2; Rd. Atkinson, £3; and Rd. Dunderdale, Wm. Dilworth, John Kenyon, John Bradley, Robt. Wilkinson, Rd. Walmsley, Wm. Parkinson, £1 each; £4 1s. was received from Rev. J. Wilson, Vicar of Mitton, "the middle aisle being ceiled when he was curate of the said church" of Chipping.

³ A bill of "Mr. Blaisdil's," Talbot Inn, Chipping, has been preserved; the

amount paid—8s. 4½d.—is made up of "Rum and Brandy, 2s. 11d.; Geneva and Soda, 10d.; Ale, Porter, and Beer, 4s. 4½d.; Tobacco, 3d." The date would be about 1820.

⁴ "Chipping, Feb. 14, 1825—Memorandum—A violincello, now in the possession of Thomas Knowles, Parish Clerk, was paid for out of a subscription raised for Chipping Sunday School. The violincello cost £4 3s., and a bag to put it in cost 25s. Witness my hand, E. Wilkinson, vicar."

In 1828 The Churchwardens were happy to repair to The Talbot paying Richard Bibby for ale when the Font was taken down on Easter Tuesday !

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1826.	June 27	Peter Cooper repairing Dial steps	0 7 0
		Paid for three chairs	0 12 0
1828.	Jan.	Paid Robt. Pagan for work done at the font	0 15 1
		Paid Richd. Bibby [of the Talbot Inn] on Easter Tuesday	1 2 0
		To two journeys to Preston	2 12 4
	Sep. 30	Paid Richd. Bibby for ale when font was taken down.....	0 2 8
1829.	July 24	Paid for a brass plate	0 4 6
		Paid for green baize.....	0 3 2
		Paid for turf for vestry fire	0 1 6
1830.	July 28	Paid to John Parkinson for tolling the bell at the funeral of his late Majesty George IV.....	0 2 6
	Apl. 19	Paid Mr. Carlisle for wine ..	2 8 0
1831.	Apl. 5	Paid for a clarionet	1 16 0
1831.	July 6	Paid for inkstand and ink	0 0 8
1832.	Jan. 15	Paid for a new surplice	2 3 6
	Apl. 24	Paid to Thos. Knowles for assisting the vicar when the census was taken last year	0 2 6
	May 29	Paid for a whip.....	0 1 8
1833.	Apl. 9	Paid to J. Pye for 9 chestnut trees.....	0 1 6
	May 5	Paid for planting beeches ..	0 1 0
1835.	Mar. 5	Paid W. Carlisle for 3 gallons of port wine	2 11 0
1837.	Apl. 17	Paid John Walmsley for muffing the bells at the funeral of William IV.	0 10 0
	Nov. 13	Paid for a cartload of coals	0 14 6
	June 24	Allowed to the ringers on the day of Her Majesty's Coronation	0 5 4
1832.	Apl. 2	Paid for a bier cloth and making the same	3 17 8
1840.	Apl. 21	Paid Rd. Charnley for a staff	0 0 6
1841.	Feb. 15	Paid for a churchwarden's staff	0 0 9
1842.	Aug. 6	Paid for whitewashing the outside of the church.....	2 9 6
1845.	Dec. 6	Paid for whitewashing the outside of the church.....	2 16 0
1846.	Jan. 15	Paid Thomas Kendrick for gilding the face of the church clock	1 8 0

1828.	Jan.	Paid Robt. Pagan for work done at the font	0 15 1
		Paid Richd. Bibby [of the Talbot Inn] on Easter Tuesday	1 2 0
		To two journeys to Preston	2 12 4
	Sep. 30	Paid Richd. Bibby for ale when font was taken down.....	0 2 8
1829.	July 24	Paid for a brass plate	0 4 6
		Paid for green baize.....	0 3 2
		Paid for turf for vestry fire	0 1 6
1830.	July 28	Paid to John Parkinson for tolling the bell at the funeral of his late Majesty George IV.....	0 2 6

In 1828 the above Parish Accounts show Richard at The Talbot, so he may not yet have taken over The Sun Inn. That same year 1828 Richard was in trouble with the law for the third time and in a Jury Trial was fined £20 for serving outside of permitted times which reads that he was serving beer when he should have been in church !!!! Did he have Old Catholic leanings? Note that about this time Methodism was on the rise and a frequent visitor to Chipping had been John Wesley who was friends with the former Vicar ! Not many years previously you could be fined for Recusancy by refusing to attend church and not only was he not at church but selling beer. This was quite a large fine. Over £600 in today's money. This particular trial was about Walton so either he was still in control of both pubs or the Courts were late with the prosecution.

“Reference: QSP/2895/42
Title: Penwortham. Deposition: Information of Samuel Pimleo, Constable of Walton le Dale re: illegal drinking at Richard Bibby's alehouse, Walton le Dale, during the hours of divine service on Sundays
Date: 1828 14 April

Held by: Lancashire Archives, not available at The National Archives

aforsaid Upon their Oaths do say and find that the said Richard Bibby hath committed the Acts specified and contained in the said Complotment or Information and that the same acts are against the Tenor of a certain Recognizance entered into by him upon the granting of his Licence as a licenced Victualler and now subsisting, and that the said Richard Bibby hath been twice previously convicted for Offences against the Tenor of the said Licence and Recognizance Whereupon it is adjudged by the Court here that the said Richard Bibby is guilty of a third Offence against the Tenor of and a Breach of the said Recognizance. And the said Justices now here assembled do therefore fine the said Richard Bibby in the Sum of twenty Pounds to be applied and distributed in the Manner directed and prescribed by the said Act of Parliament.

Perhaps he lost his licence over this and moved to Chipping to a different area altogether. Lizzie Dean would have been aged 13 when there was all this trouble and I have no doubt Richard would not have been a “happy chappy” and the atmosphere in the family must have been tense to say the least for this young teenager. I am sure she could not wait until the day she might be betrothed and able to live her own life with a man of her dreams and escape the “drudgery of being no more than a servile wench”.



**Now.....I am sorry to inform one and all
.....but.....there were no weddings in the
month of November 1835 at St.**

Bartholomew's Chipping so unfortunately the folklore of seeing her best friend married to a man who had obviously either promised to marry her or even had seduced her with such a promise turns out not to be *quite* true. The date she did hang herself, which is "the elephant in the room" however, is very significant as it would have been Guy Fawkes Night and with Bonfire celebrations and the burning of a guy/effigy and maybe fireworks or some such celebrating it would have been a grand party time. This was an anti-Catholic celebration in those days and tensions would have run high between Protestants and Dissidents and Catholics! See how the Blackburn Standard article of the report of the inquest is followed immediately below by an account of the revelry in Blackburn that night. The folklore is that she threw herself out of the attic room window with a rope around her neck, clutching a suicide note. If that be at all true it would have been in full view of the whole village, attending as they traditionally did a Sermon and prayers for the Dead before the bonfire and fireworks which would have been held centrally in the Village ! The Inn would have been packed that day with punters and there would have been much merry-making but was Lizzie determined to curse this very day, did she have this in her plan? For years to come after this it would have put a dampener on Bonfire Night, wouldn't it!



[History of the parish of Chipping, in the county of Lancaster, with some account of the forests of Bleasdale and Bowland : Smith, Thomas C\[harles\] of Longridge, Eng. : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

*"Old men say that in their youth a ring of fire could be seen from Whittingham on All Saints' night all round the horizon. There are various fields still called * Purgatory field.' " {Stonyhurst Mag., iii., 238 ; also see Hard wick's Traditions, 34-5 ; Thomber's Blackpool, 99)."*

The public-house signs in the parish are : Dog and Partridge' previous to 1630, known as Cliviger House, and during the seventeenth century as The Green Man ; The Sun; Talbot ; Buck ; and Derby Arms.

As to the Clivigor House, formerly the Green Man, but now the Dog and Partridge,...

Stanley, Earls of Derby (of Knowsley).Deeds and Conveyances.CHIPPING AND GOOSNARGH.

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Date: Dates unknown
Reference: None stated

Further back in time a John Bibby was actually involved in the catering for King James famous visit to Houghton Tower and the great story of the Knighting of Sir Loin, so the Bibbys have been in the trade for a very long time and this would explain Richard Bibby trading in Bamber Bridge before coming to Chipping.

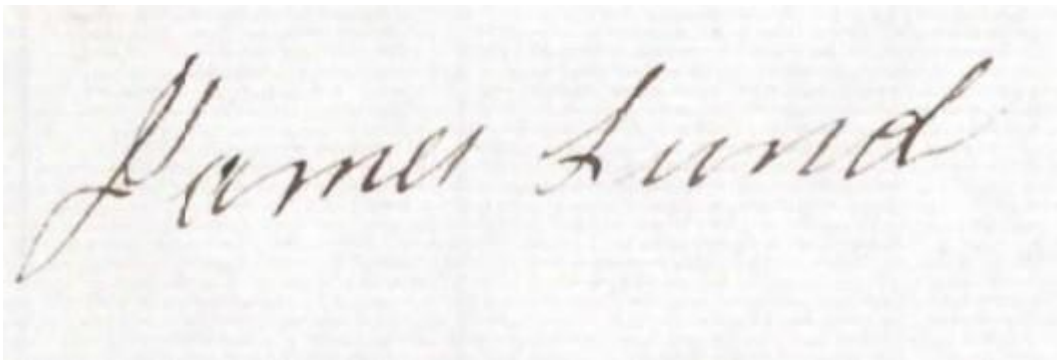
Ducks boiled	Umble pye
Pullet	Tart
Red deer pye cold	Made dish

“Labourers,— for the pastries : John Greene, Richard Blythe, William Aldersey, Alexander Cowper ;— for the ranges : John Coleburne, Elias James, John Rairke, Robert Dance ;— for boiling : John Murryer, William Parkes ;— for pullets : John Clerke, John Bibby. Chief cooks, Mr. Morris ; Mr. Miller.”

(1) “A Speeche made to Kings James at his comeinge to Hoghton Tower by two conceived to be the Household Gods ; the first attyr'd in a purple taffata mantle, in one hand a palm-tree branch, on his head a garland of the same, and in the other hand a dogge :

This day, great Kinge for government admir'd !
Which these thy subjects have so much desir'd
Shall be kept holy in their hearts' best treasure
And vow'd to James as is this month to Cæsar.

Chapter 9..... The Lunds



I am drawn to wondering if James Lund had something to do with Lizzie’s demise.
In 1835 in the electoral register he had the Talbot Inn :

3320 Keighley, James	Chipping	do house and land	do Peggy Ellison, do
3321 Lund, James	do	Occupier of house & 16a. land	do Talbot inn

Oh yes!.....and there was a marriage around that time, it was James Lund and Ellen Woods, but not on the day Lizzie took her own life.....but two months before Lizzie would finally snap!

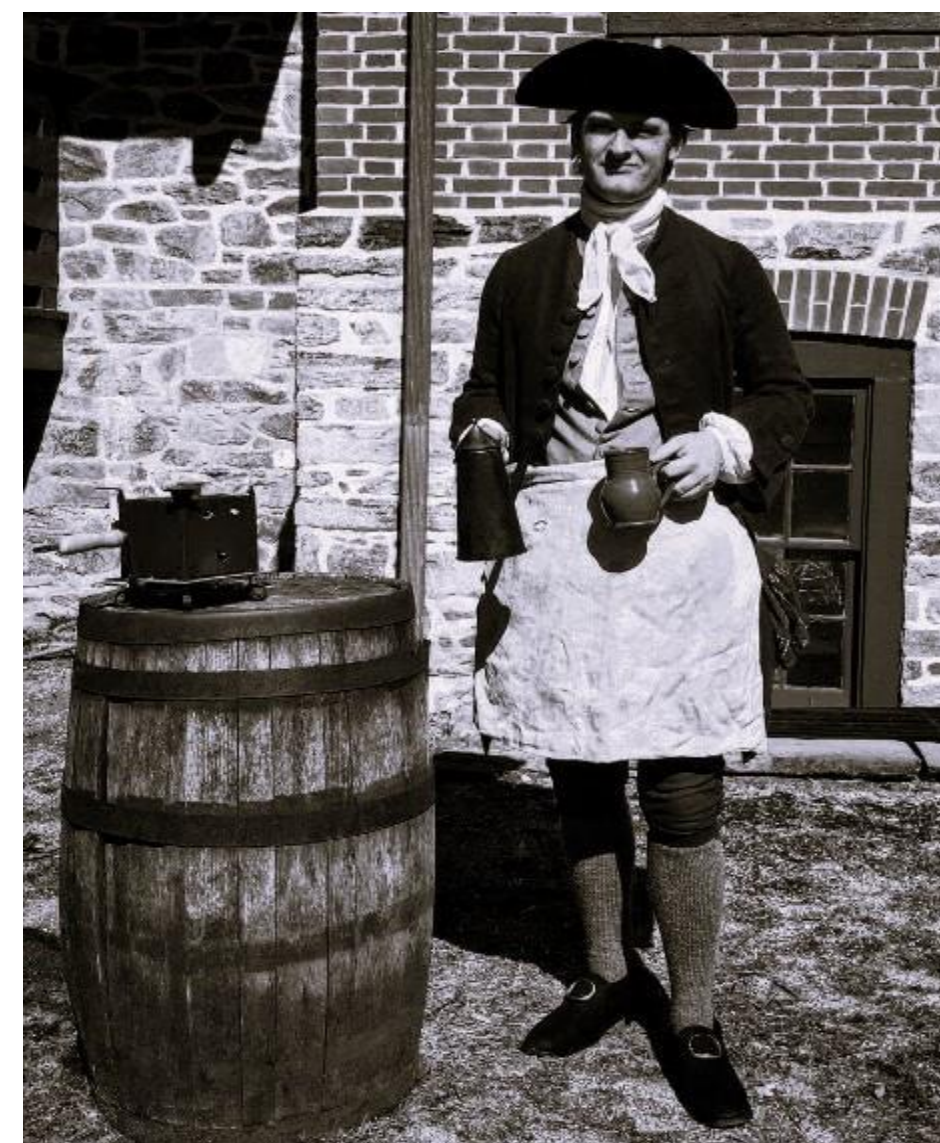


Marriage: 15 Sep 1835 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancs.
James Lund - Inn-Keeper, Widower, Chipping of this Parish

Ellen Woods - thirty three years & upwards, Spinster, Chipping of this Parish

Witness: Henry Wilkinson; Henry Robinson

Married by Licence by: Edmund Wilkinson, Vicar



As I picture him

James was a widower and later in 1842 he would later even give his home address as The Sun Inn. The Woods family were well off farmers and this would have been a good match for Ellen as a woman of 33 plus years (by now an “old Maid”) to a reasonably well-off Inn-Keeper, who also had 16 acres of land. They were all in this small village together and in the same trade so Lizzie, would have known Ellen Woods and James Lund very well. I think there may have also been a stronger family connection between Lizzie and James as they were both born in Kirkham and there was so much inter-marriage between these families. They were distant cousins; do you recall earlier? Lizzie’s Gt Grandmother was a Lund!

No. 313. *James Land of Shipping* of *this* Parish
Ann Baker and a Meadow
 and *Eliza Woods of Shipping* of *this* Parish
and a Spinster aged thirty three years when it
 were married in this Church by *Licence* with consent of
 this *fifteenth* day of
September in the Year One Thousand eight hundred and thirty *five*
 By me *Edmund Wilkinson, Vicar*
 This Marriage was solemnized between us { *James Land*
Eliza Woods
 In the Presence of { *Henry Robinson*
Henry Robinson
 No. 314.

It *is* a fact that there were *no* Banns which would need be to be read out publicly in church for three consecutive weeks but because of the Special Licence (very expensive, over £250 in today's money) which they obtained this would be a private arrangement. Why not have the banns read, they were 40 and 33 respectively so why the hurry? Why the secrecy? Lizzie may have been kept in the dark about their marriage plans, so it does not spoil the folklore altogether. Perhaps it was around that time she found out they had been married in a quiet ceremony with the Special Licence. Perhaps she did see them coming out of the church on November 5th but not on their wedding day. Lots of maybes and perhaps but it was the only marriage during that year which has any direct connection to Lizzie.

James like many innkeepers had plots of land which he farmed, an Inn was never enough itself to generate income to keep a family.

Parties Names: James Lund James Baines and Francis Bailey

Stanley, Earls of Derby (of Knowsley). Deeds and Conveyances. CHIPPING AND GOOSNARGH. Purchase from Messrs John & George Mercer of two closes of land known as Dow... Appointment of two closes of land in Chipping called Dow Croft and Dow Croft Meadow

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Date:	29 May 1848
Reference:	DDK/794/9

James seemed to have a money problem 28th Nov. 1825 : did he need a wife with a dowry?

JAMES LUND, late of Dutton, Lancaster, sizer and factor,
15th & 16th Dec. and 3rd Jan. at the Mitre Inn, Preston.—
Atty. Mr. Dewhurst, Blackburn.

DECLARATIONS OF INSOLVENCY.

James Lund's first wife Sophia had died :

Burial: 19 Oct 1834 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

Sophia Lund -

Age: 36

Abode: Chipping

Buried by: E. Wilkinson, Vicar

Register: Burials 1813 - 1853 from the Bishop's Transcripts, Page 113, Entry 901

Source: LDS Film 1514321

Marriage: 25 Dec 1828 St Wilfrid, Ribchester, Lancashire, England

James Lund - this Parish

Sophia Timbrel - this Parish

Witness: William Timbrell; James Hayle Rushton

Married by Licence by: James Cottingham AB Curate

Notes: with consent of Parents [Bride signed Sophia Timbrell]

Register: Marriages 1813 - 1837, Page 168, Entry 502

Source: LDS Film 1470814

...But They did have a child together :

Baptism: 24 Oct 1830 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

Mary Lund - D of James Lund & Sophia

Abode: Chipping

Occupation: Innkeeper

Baptised by: Edmd. Wilkinson, Vicar

James had just gone through some traumatic times, he would need comforting.

Sophia's accident :

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Preston Chronicle 18 October 1834

FATAL ACCIDENT. — On Tuesday afternoon last an accident of a heart-rending nature occurred at Shire-brow, to Mrs. Lund, wife of Mr. Jas. Lund, of Chipping. The circumstances of the melancholy affair were as follows:—The deceased, it appears, was travelling in a gig which was driven by a young boy.] When they reached Shire-brow, the reins by some means got entangled with part of the gearing, and the boy dismounted to arrange them. A man who was driving a cart drawn by two horses came up and assisted the boy in his work. At this juncture, and whilst thus engaged, the foremost horse in the cart, turned suddenly round, and coming in collision with the gig, it upset it, and threw Mrs. Lund and two children with great violence on the ground. The horses unfortunately moved on and the wheel of the cart passed over the body of Mrs. Lund. She died in about an hour after the accident. The two children escaped unhurt. The deceased was the daughter of Mr. Timbrell, formerly of this town, but now of Ribchester.

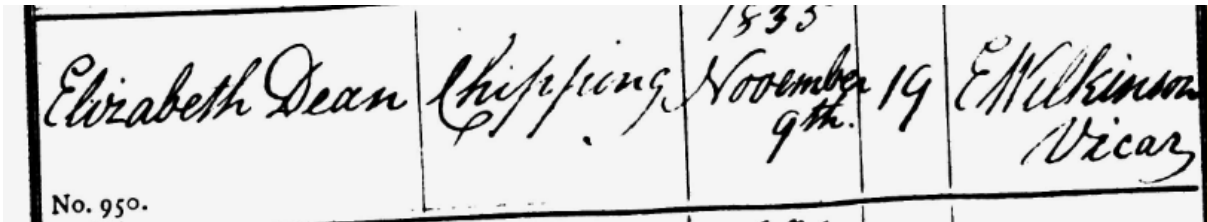
Perhaps it may have been a promise from him or a vain hope of hers that year 1834/5 after his first wife's death that he might marry young Lizzie and rescue her from a life with a step-father and half a dozen brothers; that is if she knew Richard was not her biological father which I have more than a notion this may have just been revealed to her during this time as she was approaching marriageable age and it would have to be disclosed then. Lizzie should have had a dowry from the trust fund from her father's legacy. Why James chose Ellen Woods aged 33 plus we may never know but it was kept quiet as it was by Licence and not by banns which takes up to a month longer and is announced to the whole community. He needed a wife to look after his daughter Mary; he may have needed a wife with a dowry, Ellen was 33 and the Woods family well-off farmers; perhaps Lizzie had acted as baby-sitter during that year. As a single parent perhaps lonely James may have had his "wicked way" with the beautiful young Lizzie, giving her hope that she would become his wife. We can never know; perhaps she was just besotted with him; what we now call a "crush". That is of course *my* view of possible events, but the position of the grave is what strengthens my conjecture. It points straight to The Talbot Inn, the inscription facing in that direction and next to a path leading down towards it, just a few feet away from the wall. That was her final wish which everyone seems to believe was in her suicide note.

The Psychic in the Youtube Video was the only one to say "it was a man of consequence" and the Westmoreland Gazette was very guarded against pointing the finger and giving any names.

I suspect a cover-up, what do you think?

There is ample evidence that Lizzie was convinced that someone (even if it wasn't James Lund) had made her a promise of marriage (or at least taken her in and possibly her womanhood) and she felt betrayed. There are other possibilities which I shall examine shortly

This is her burial recorded on the Monday morning of her funeral.





The church wall looking towards the Talbot Inn

Lizzie's Family Tree, so far.....maybe you can now add more. You will find it in the public trees on [Ancestry.co.uk](https://www.ancestry.co.uk)



The notion of the current folklore as on YouTube is that it was a lad called David and he married her best friend Alicia Traynor, (although I have heard variations on these names, Samuel & John & Elsie) however there were only two boys in the village called David: Hardiker and Hindle too young to marry and they were both married much later. David Hindle, a shoemaker married Mary Slater in 1851. David Hardacre (modern spelling) was a clogger and married Mary Sawyer whose father William was also an Inn-keeper in Chipping (Tillotsons?) A possibility as they were in the trade and Lizzie must have known them and indeed might have been at school or at least at Sunday School with them but unlikely as their marriage was 5 years later.

Marriage: 25 Dec 1840 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancs.

David Hardiker - (X), of full age, Clogger, Bachelor, Chipping

Mary Sawyer - (X), a Minor, Servant, Spinster, Chipping

Groom's Father: Christopher Hardiker, Clogger and Cordwainer

Bride's Father: William Sawyer, Inn Keeper

Between 1830 and 1837 not a single boy named *David* was married in this church. The story of being rejected for a best friend, Alicia is a bit far-fetched. You just couldn't go along to a church and ask the Vicar to marry you without warning, as we learned above you needed three weeks of Banns to be read publicly or a very expensive Marriage License from the Bishop involving a sworn affidavit.

Just two marriages of Alice Bleasdale and Alice Dilworth in that year might offer any other explanation.

.....Now this marriage could have been the culprits : Perhaps she saw them hand in hand attending the church three weeks before to hear their Banns read out. Perhaps she was aware they had gone to see the Vicar on November 5th to start the process: Did John make Lizzie a promise? Thornley is a couple of miles out of the village so it seems unlikely but.....

Marriage: 14 Dec 1835 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

John Kenyon - Bachelor, Thornley of this Parish

Alice Dilworth - (X), Spinster, Thornley of this Parish

Witness: Robert Dilworth; James Eccles

Married by Banns by: Edmund Wilkinson, Vicar

.....The Banns for this next marriage would have been read out in December and Lizzie was already cold in her coffin.

Marriage: 25 Jan 1836 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England

John Windle - Chairmaker, Bachelor, Chipping of this Parish

Alice Bleasdale - (X), Spinster, the Bottoms of this Parish

Witness: John Parkinson; John Bond

Married by Banns by: Edmund Wilkinson, Vicar

.....There was not a single marriage in November 1835 at St. Bartholomew's the month in which she took her own young life; poor unloved Elizabeth. The only other Alices married in the village were these two but much later in 1838.....

Marriage: 12 Mar 1838 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancs.

William Hall - of full age, Tailor, Widower, Chipping

Alice Singleton - (X), of full age, Operative Cotton Spinner, Spinster, Chipping

Groom's Father: John Hall, Cordwainer

Bride's Father: Henry Singleton, Labourer

Marriage: 16 Apr 1838 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancs.

John Medcalf - of full age, Mechanic, Bachelor, Chipping

Alice Sawyer - (X), Minor, Spinster, Chipping

Groom's Father: William Medcalf, Labourer

Bride's Father: William Sawyer, Inn Keeper

Witness: Thomas Bleasdale; William Wilkinson

.....So let the reader decide. Why would a girl of just turned 19 (she was baptised 9th September 1816 so her birthday must have been close to this date) commit self-murder. She was young and surrounded by a huge and wealthy family. She could have had her pick of suitors. It was a carefully planned act of suicide, she would have had to obtain a rope and fasten it securely, and then she wrote a lucid note which is the *one* fact that every account agrees on; she asked to be buried in a place next to the path which her malefactors would pass, right opposite the Talbot, *not* The Sun Inn and near to Thomas Bleasdale, the former landlord, and possibly related to him, under the yew tree, still there.

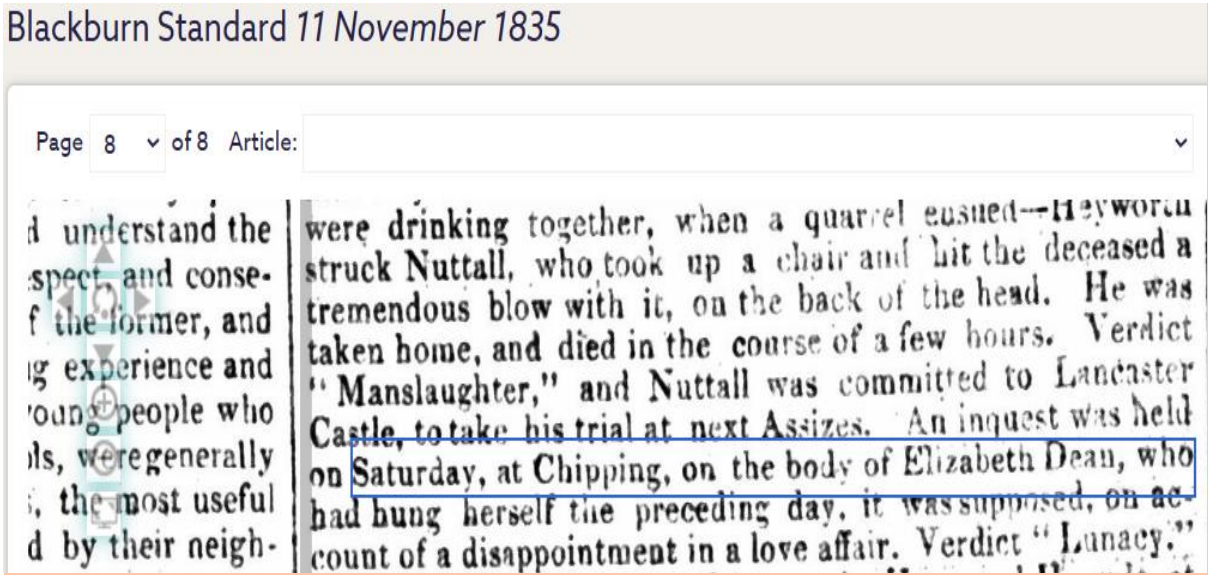
The article in the Westmoreland Gazette reported that she had *“feelings of inflicting at once a retributive act of justice on her faithless lover”*. What hopelessness drove her to this?

Was she pregnant or as they said back then “with child”?

One thing for certain in the tragic story which is absolutely true was that in spite of everything else she did hang herself and it did concern a love affair.

The Blackburn Standard reported the matter and there was an Inquest.

11th November 1835 was a Wednesday. It reported that the verdict was : *Lunacy “on account of a disappointment in a love affair”*:



Email :
It is confirmed that Lancashire Archives do not hold any details of The Inquest which appears to have been held locally.

First name of deceased: **ELIZABETH**
Surname of deceased: **DEAN**
Place: **CHIPPING**
Coroners compiled claims for expenses incurred whilst conducting inquests and these were presented at Quarter Sessions for payment. They include the names of those for whom an inquest was held but rarely any other details about the circumstances. Unfortunately, no inquest files survive for these and the best source of supplementary information is local newspapers which are typically held by the local library service.

Date 1835

The time line, if The Westmorland Gazette had the facts correct, was that ten days before, on a Sunday something happened to “*excite her*” then eight days later on a Tuesday she discovered that this “young man” had done something to someone else (“*plighted at the altar of Hymen his love for another*”)..... It was not a wedding that is for sure.

two o'clock, only half an hour afterwards. The evidence offered on the very painful inquiry all went to prove that the young creature had been under the most dreadful mental excitement since the Tuesday before,

cerity corresponding with their apparent candour and affection. Up to Sunday week, this young confiding creature had seen no cause to doubt her lover's truth: he visited her on that day, and made her heart joyful in the bright prospect of the happy future which lay before them, when Hymen should have sanctified the affection that his elder brother Love had raised. Those golden visions of wedded happiness were not, however, to be realized to poor Elizabeth, for, on the Tuesday following, the young man plighted at the altar of Hymen, his vows of love and fidelity to another. That reason

The Gazette said on Thursday afternoon 5th November 1835 she was found hanged in her garret.

A garret is a **habitable attic**, a living space at the top of a house or larger residential building, traditionally, small, dismal, and cramped, with sloping ceilings.

Her grave at the South East corner clearly faces the wall of the Talbot Inn yard, not more than 20 feet away and anyone coming from lower down in the village had to pass her grave. Was there once a path directly from the back of The Talbot which would pass her grave? Could this gate once have led to the East end of the church?



Life for the Village must continue but

In 1840 James Lund appears to be in trouble with the law : Was he now a marked man with some out to get him?

Document reference	QSP/3116/9
Title	Bill of costs of prosecution of James Lund (attached to QSP 3116/8)
Date	c1840

In the Electoral Register of 1832 :

2283 Kenyon, John	Chipping	Occupier of Talbot Inn, and	Chipping
2284 Lund, James	Chipping	17a. of land	Chipping

James and Ellen Lund had one daughter Ann:

Baptism: 25 May 1838 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Ann Lund - D of James Lund & Ellen
Abode: Chipping
Occupation: Innkeeper
Baptised by: E. Wilkinson, Vicar

It is curious she was not listed alongside Mary her half-sister but *James and Ellen appear in the 1841 census:*

1	James Lund	45	Inn Keeper	4
	Ellen D.	35		4
	Mary D.	10		4
	Mary Holland	70	Ind	4
	Mary Pyc	20	F S	4
	Anne Heighley	15	F S	4

And a year later he appears to be selling his wife’s inheritance: or possibly his brother-in-law’s property by auction.

Marriage: 16 Jun 1834 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
James Woods - (X), Bachelor, Thornley of this Parish
Ellen Hothersall - Spinster, Back Lane of this Parish

Preston Chronicle 04 June 1842

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To be Sold by Auction,
By Edmund Eastham,
At the House of Mr. James Lund, the Talbot Inn, in Chip-
ing, in the County of Lancaster, on Thursday, the 16th day
of June instant, at Six o'clock in the evening, subject to
such conditions as shall be then produced,—
THE Fee-simple and Inheritance of and in all that FARM,
called “Newsham’s Tenement,” situate in Goose-lane,
in Chipping aforesaid, consisting of a House, Shippon, Out-
buildings, Garden, and three Closes of LAND, containing
together, 5 acres, 2 roods, and 25 perches of Land, statute
measure or thereabouts, now in the possession of James Woods,
as tenant thereof.

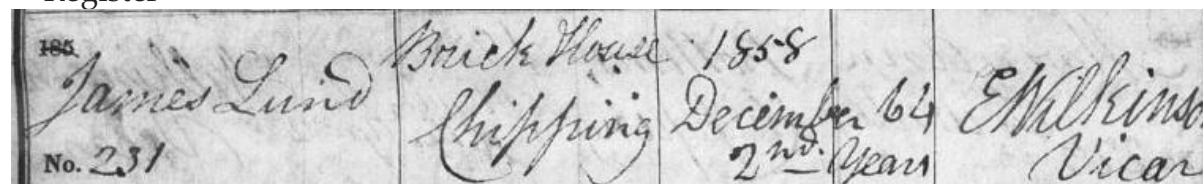
Death of James Lund

Burial: 2 Dec 1858 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancs.

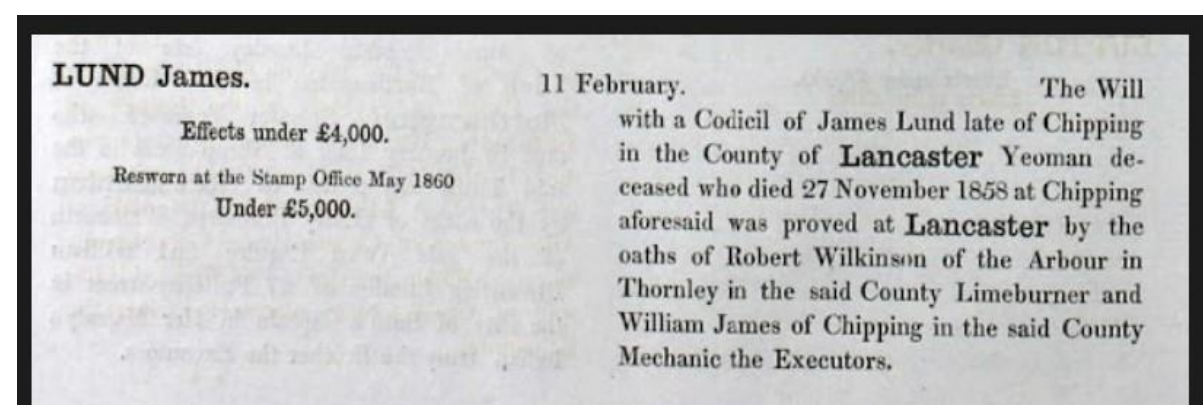
James Lund -

Age: 64 years
Abode: Brick House, Chipping
Buried by: E Wilkinson Vicar

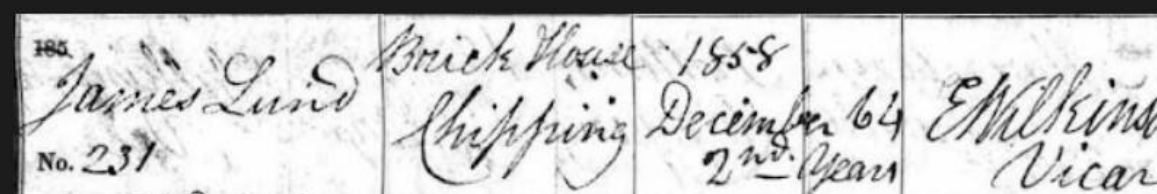
Register



James only lived until 64 years of age.....but he died an incredibly wealthy man ! His net worth his executors claimed was just below £4000 but after the Revenue looked at the estate it was revised up to £5000 at The Stamp Office. Even in death there was some dishonesty.
£5,000 in 1868 is worth £697,237.52 today



1858 Probate James Lund



1858 Burial Record for James Lund

Talbot Inn, Chipping, from James Lund to Isabella Robinson
Published: Wednesday 26 May 1858
Newspaper: Blackburn Standard
County: Lancashire, England

2283	Kenyon, John	Chipping	Occupier of Talbot Inn, and
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By 1861 Ellen is on the census as Head and now has 34 acres and lives in Brick House, still there in Chipping, with her daughter Ann.

Chipping		HOUSES		Name and Surname of each Person	Relation to Head of Family	Condition	Age of		Rank, Profession, or Occupation
No. of	Road, Street, &c., and No. or Name of House	Inhabited	Uninhabited (U.) or Building (B.)				Males	Females	
18	Brick House	1		Ellen Lund	Head	W		56	Farmer of 34 Acres
				Ann Lund	Daughter	W		22	Farmer's Daughter
				Mary Ann Parker	Servant	W		15	House Servant
				George Martin	Servant	W		15	Farm Labourer

....And Ellen lived on until she was 72.....there were several with that name born in 1802 but I think this one was geographically nearest....: baptised a Catholic !

Baptism: 1803 St Mary and St John, Samlesbury, Lancashire, England
Helen Woods - daughter of Thos. Woods & Margaret
Born: 4 Jul 1803
Godparents: John Woods; Helen Rigby
Baptised by: John Waring
Register: Baptisms 1678 - 1856, Page 21 (35), Entry 11
Source: Original Register

Burial: 25 Mar 1876 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Ellen Lund -
Age: 72 years
Abode: Brick House, Chipping
Buried by: Rd. Robinson

When they acquired Brick House Farm is unclear but could this have been the point at which they bought it for their retirement?

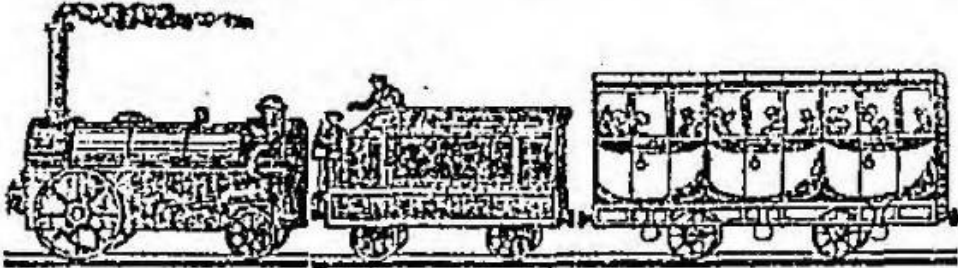
BRICK HOUSE FARM, CHIPPING.

To be Let by Ticket,

At the house of Mr. James Lund, Talbot Inn, Chipping, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of October instant, at five o'clock in the evening,—

THE DWELLING-HOUSE called "Brick House," in Chipping, in the County of Lancaster, together with 31a. 2r. of Land, of the customary measure of seven yards to the perch. The Farm is at present in the occupation of Mr. Henry Wilkinson, the owner, and is in a superior state of cultivation.

Possession may be had at Candlemas and May next.



LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM RAILWAY.

There had been plans once to bring the railway through from Longridge to Chipping, perhaps that is why they appeared to own it on lease to Henry Wilkinson.

Before I leave my theory of James Lund, if he is not the person I made him out to be, I would just say that The Lunds have over the years made a significant contribution to village life and as far back as the 1600s. They set up a Charity and were generous benefactors. If you are closely related in any way to the Lunds, and there must be many, please try not to take offence at my suggestions or thoughts. The evidence is very circumstantial.

CHARITY OF RICHARD LUND, 1676.

Richard Lund, or Cragg, of Thornley, husbandman, "being in reasonable good health," made his will on the 10th October, 1676. To Cuthbert Hesketh, of White Hill in Goosnargh, and Ellis Dilworth, of the Arbour in Thornley, he left "£30 for the use of the poor of the parish of Chipping, to be set out be set out by the said Cuthbert Hesketh and Ellis Dilworth and their assigns at interest, and the interest thereof to be yearly paid to the said poor at their discretion on or about St. Thomas Day before Christmas."

He made numerous private bequests, including £10 to Thomas and Richard, sons of Ellis Dilworth; £5 to Agnes, wife of the said Ellis Dilworth; 2s. each to the children of William Dilworth, of Thornley; to the children of James Dilworth, of Chipping, 20s. each; to Isabel, wife of Richard Harrison, of Marton, £10; to Ellen, wife of Robert Gilchrist, £3; to Dorothy, wife of Robert Cowell, £3; to William Battell, 20s.; to Katherine Walker and her daughter, Ann, £4; to Dorothy, daughter of Evan Banks, £5, and to Cuthbert Hesketh aforesaid, 40s. All the remainder of his personal estate he gave to the said Cuthbert Hesketh and Ellis Dilworth for their trouble as his executors. Richard Lund was buried at Chipping, 26th December, 1676, and his will was proved at Ribchester, 9th February, 1676-7, the amount of the inventory being £92 4s. 6d.

It was a long time ago and whoever the couple were whose actions led to Lizzie doing what she did we cannot know that she was not to blame in some way herself. Perhaps my slant is a bit naughty and James was entirely innocent and you must decide for yourself. I may be just adding yet another fable to this age-old story of love and betrayal but at least with a few more facts than we knew hitherto. Lizzie may well have been a deluded and even pampered young lady, she might have led some other fellow on, she might have even been unhinged, lunacy, they wrote. Her suicide was a desperate act of extreme anger and hopelessness.

On the other hand it may well have been the mysterious couple who they say left the village for Carlisle.... after all...just some wandering vagrants... we don't know for sure. What I have sought to establish is that Lizzie was a part of this community, with a large and extended family and not some random stranger.

Note that in a previous generation there was this marriage, it shows again how closely these families inter-married : close marriage can create weak genes, we know that from Royal families.

Marriage: 15 Jul 1800 All Saints, Wigan, Lancashire, England
John Bibby - (X), Wigan
Elenor Wood - (X), Wigan
Witness: Wm. Bancks; R. Bolton
Married by Banns by: John Gibson

THE SUN INN

CENSUS OF 1861 shows us that "mine host" was by now James Mercer :

22	Windy St	1	James Mercer	Head	Mar 29	Victualler
23	Sun Inn		Mary Do	Wife	Mar 37	
			Ann Do	son	7	Scholar
			Mary Ann Do	Daughter	3	Scholar
			James Do	son	1	
			Richard Do	Wife	22	Butler
			Elizabeth Do	serv	33	Serv

THE TALBOT INN

By 1862 James Wilkinson, whose father, John, was the Inn-Keeper of the George and Dragon in Downham, (it is now Assheton Arms) was just 21. He married Mary Ann and by 1862 was now Landlord of The Talbot Inn, Chipping.

Baptism: 9 Mar 1862 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Alice Wilkinson - D of James Wilkinson & Mary Anne
Abode: Talbot Inn, Chipping
Occupation: Innkeeper
Baptised by: Richard Robinson Offng. Minr.
Register: Baptisms 1848 - 1881 from the Bishop's Transcripts, Page 68, Entry 538
Source: LDS Film 1656770

You will find a lot more information in The Appendix and some fascinating gleanings from the past.

Chapter 11 : The Norcross family

Alice Norcross is the final question I pose as a possible suspect and as a foil for the Alice Traynor in the folklore. Was Lizzie quite a vulnerable person and did Miss Norcross who lived in the Sun Inn in the 1841 Census play some dreadful evil game? She is certainly an enigma herself.

Way, way back the Vicar of Ribchester was a Norcross....they were legion in this area.

HENRY NORCROSSE, 1573-4.

The Rev. Henry Norcrosse was instituted 9 March, 1573-4, on the presentation of John Whitaker, or Whitacre, of Henthorn, Esq. Little, if anything, is known about him, although he apparently held the living for over forty years. The Norcrosses are an old Ribchester family, and it is supposed one of his sons was **George** Norcrosse "scholler of Cletherall" who received "ij yeardcs wollen and ij linen, and iijs iiijd in money."* The burial of Mr. Norcrosse is thus recorded in the register: "1623, Aug. 14., Henry Norcrosse, Viccar de Ribchester."

This baptism just goes to show how closely all these families were linked :

Baptism: 30 Jun 1839 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Richard Badger Norcross - [Child] of William Norcross & Ann
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: Plasterer
Baptised by: Walter P Powell
Register: Baptisms 1829 - 1841, Page 178, Entry 1419
Source: LDS Film 1278858

*Alice... Alice...Who the **** heck**** is Alice?*

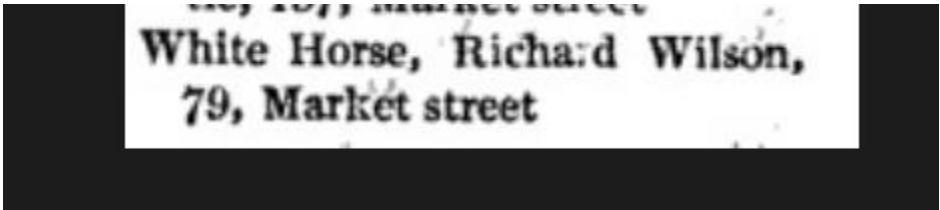
The folklore is that her best friend was Alice Traynor but there was no-one of that name this side of Liverpool at that time. No-one of a similar name either after hours of searches. The only person of that name associated with Lizzie was Alice Norcross. She would have been about 16 in 1835. Could some stray boy calling himself David have conspired with her to trick Lizzie. It seems unlikely but girls of that age can be quite evil with one another.

Now there is some connection here with Richard Badger who was actually called Wilson, as he had been born out of wedlock, mentioned in an earlier baptism above by the vicar ! It appears he might be the son of Ann Badger who married William Wilson; later she marries William Norcross !

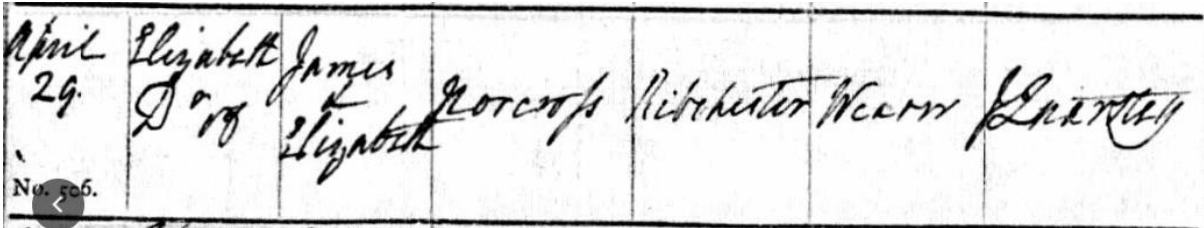
Marriage: 22 May 1830 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
William Wilson - Clitheroe
Ann Badger - Clitheroe
Witness: James Handley; J. A. Whalton
Married by Banns by: James North
Register: Marriages 1828-1837, Page 36, Entry 107
Source: LDS Film 1278858

Marriage: 9 Feb 1839 St Mary the Virgin, Blackburn, Lancashire, England
William Norcross - Full Age, Plasterer, Bachelor, Billington
Ann Wilson - Full Age, Widow, Billington
Groom's Father: John Norcross, Plasterer
Bride's Father: **Richard Badger, Inn Keeper**
Witness: Joseph Fairbrother; Thomas Livesey
Married by: P. Maitland
Register: Marriages 1838 - 1839, Page 95, Entry 190
Source: LDS Film 1278817

The 1824 Directory and Gazeteer of the Palatine of Lancaster gives this pub in Chorley.



In 1841 Census Alice Norcross, age about 20 is living in the Sun Inn as a Servant and of course could be the Alice of the story except she apparently *never* married.....
She was still a servant in the 1851 census then does not appear in 1860, 1870 nor 1880.....I can only find one person that fits baptised in Ribchester 1821, but she was Elizabeth Norcross. Perhaps Alice was a second name?....to save confusion in the house with her mother being Elizabeth.



She may have died in 1850.

Alice Norcross	
Registration Quarter	Jan-Feb-Mar
Death Registration Place	Preston, Lancashire, United Kingdom
Death Date	Mar 1850
Inferred Death Place	Lancashire, United Kingdom
Volume	21
Page	466

Or she may have lived to old age.....

NORCROSS Alice. Personal Estate £112 11s. 1d.	26 November. Administration of the Personal Estate of Alice Norcross late of Longridge near Preston in the County of Lancaster Widow who died 28 October 1883 at Longridge was granted at Lancaster to Samuel Ashworth of Hawthorn Hill Bacup in the said County Mill Manager the Brother and one of the Next of Kin.
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There was a lot of Norcross family in this area but no certain origin for this mysterious Alice. Was she in fact Alice Traynor? Did she “pretend” to marry someone, tell Lizzie a story and walk out of the Church with him, as if they had just got married?

Could she have been also known as Alice Wilson? And some relative of Richard?

Baptism: 4 Apr 1824 St James, Church Kirk, Lancashire, England
Alice Wilson - Dr of Benjamin Wilson & Ann
Born: 26 Nov 1823
Abode: Lodge Tavern
Occupation: Innkeeper
Baptised by: J H
Register: Baptisms 1813 - 1828, Page 208, Entry 1662
Source: LDS Film 1470822

I have a notion she may have even been a Bleasdale.....

Baptism: 2 Jul 1826 St Bartholomew, Chipping, Lancashire, England
Alice Bleasdale - Illegitimate Daughter of Margaret Bleasdale, Spinster
Abode: Chipping
Baptised by: Edmd. Wilkinson, Vicar
Register: Baptisms 1813- 1848 from the Bishop's Transcripts, Page 75, Entry 600
Source: LDS Film 1502474

Well after searching for several hours now, I cannot find a baptism for Alice Norcross and she remains as much a mystery as ever, just like George Dean, an elusive character. I can find no connections between Traynors and any of the above families. Not even a single marriage that year of anyone anywhere in the country called Alice Traynor.

Well, nothing surprises me after all this; yesterday I was telling the father of a pupil about it.....Oh, he said, my grandmother was called Alice Traynor. I rest my case !

The only mention I can find locally of a Traynor was of a John who died in Brindle in 1801 and apart from this the nearest Traynors were in Liverpool.

22 Julii.	Winefrida Tootell	Vidua Richardi De Lodge.	Brindle
26 Julii.	Anna Moore	Anus Vidua.	Brindle
Septemb. 15.	Died John Traynor	[?] at Brindle.	Brindle
„ 19.	Died George Partington	of Gregson Lane.	
Octobris 15.	Elizabetha Southworth	uxor Joannis.	Walton
Novembris 10.	Elizabetha Crook	Uxor Thomae Hoght.	Walton
26.	Margarita Pimley	vid. Jacobi.	Walton

I am finished with my writing for now.....but.....

Let the reader understand, the Ghost sightings of Elizabeth Dean in The Sun Inn are something we might doubt or have mixed feelings about but there was a girl, and she died in extreme circumstances. If you have made it so far in this complex investigation you may need a good strong drink of spirits and perhaps it may summon up for you an apparition of another sort of spirit.

I hope you will do some research for yourself, you never know what skeletons may be in that cupboard.

Well we just don't know what exactly happened, unless one of you knows....but, we can now know for certain that Lizzie is not a figment of imagination, or some girl that happened by chance to come to the village. She was a woman who belonged to this community; her formative years spent here and was loved by some as her grave inscription says, but she was wronged and abused by others but she got her revenge and made sure that she would never be forgotten.

We must now pray for her in the Christian way we should, and pray also for those who did wrong things and abused this poor unfortunate and FORGIVE and FORGET which is the compassionate thing to do.

Eternal rest give unto her Oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her, may she Rest in Peace. AMEN

God Bless you Elizabeth Dean and even if you do not Rest in Peace you can Rest Assured we still love and honour you and care enough to remember you and to write in your memory. Life is sacred and you missed out on yours, I am sorry that I am 188 years too late to help you but I hope that somewhere in that great beyond you are smiling now and do still come and visit us if you can.

Sincerely,

Alan Briggs

28th October 2023

I just checked now and it is the Feastday of St. Jude, Patron Saint of difficult and impossible causes; very appropriate.



APPENDIX and Miscellaneous
points of interest, in no particular order
just gleanings to help you with your own
research.

You would not believe how much background reading I undertook to write the above so it seems a shame to discard all these finds:

Gleanings... ..

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I had a strong notion that the Deans
were from South of the County... ..
check out Warrington !

Baptism: 5 Aug 1781 St Elphin, Warrington, Lancashire, England
Mary Dean - Daur of Peter Dean & Martha
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Register: Baptisms 1781 - 1812, Page 5, Entry 113
Source: LDS Film 1562957

Burial: 13 Sep 1782 St Elphin, Warrington, Lancashire, England
Ellen Deain - Daur of Peter Deain
Age: 3
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Register: Burials 1779 - 1812, Page 31, Entry 1
Source: LDS Film 1562958

Baptism: 1 Jun 1783 St Elphin, Warrington, Lancashire, England
Peter Dean - Son of Peter Dean & Martha
Occupation: Ostler
Register: Baptisms 1781 - 1812, Page 26, Entry 738
Source: LDS Film 1562957

Baptism: 17 May 1789 St Elphin, Warrington, Lancashire, England
Isaac Dean - Son of Peter Dean & Martha
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Register: Baptisms 1781 - 1812, Page 94, Entry 2908
Source: LDS Film 1562957
Source: LDS Film 1278872

Burial: 21 Sep 1789 St Elphin, Warrington, Lancashire, England
Mary Dean - Daur of Peter Dean & Martha
Age: 8
Occupation: Inn Keeper

Baptism: 26 Jun 1808 St Thomas, Upholland, Lancashire, England
Jane Dean - Daughter of Thomas Dean
Abode: UpHolland
Occupation: Inn keeper

One Dean Innkeeper in Burnley

Marriage: 2 Oct 1862 St Peter, Burnley, Lancashire, England
Henry Dean - Full Age, Inn Keeper, Bachelor, Colne
Elizabeth Newbold - Full Age, Servant, Spinster, North Parade
Groom's Father: John Dean, Labourer
Bride's Father: Nathan Newbold, Stone Mason
Witness: Thomas Newbold; Betsey Dean, (X)
Married by Licence by: H. H. Robinson
Register: Marriages 1857 - 1863, Page 223, Entry 446
Source: LDS Film 1526392

More Innkeepers : Badgers... ..

Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Rt Heath
Register: Baptims 1813 - 1829, Page 17, Entry 130
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Baptism: 11 Sep 1814 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Thomas Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Betty
Abode: Alston
Occupation: Inn-keeper
Baptised by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson
Register: Baptisms 1813 - 1840, Page 12, Entry 96
Source: LDS Film 1657578

Baptism: 10 Aug 1816 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
William Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Alston
Occupation: Inn-keeper
Baptised by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson

Register: Baptisms 1813 - 1840, Page 27, Entry 215
Source: LDS Film 1657578

Burial: 27 Aug 1816 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
William Badger -
Age: Infant
Abode: Alston
Buried by: The Revd. R. S. Barton
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 9, Entry 65
Source: LDS Film 1657578

Baptism: 15 Sep 1816 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Joseph Badger - [Child] of Richard Badger & Barbara
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Wm Vernon
Register: Baptims 1813 - 1829, Page 37, Entry 289
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Baptism: 1 Nov 1816 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Mary Badger - [Child] of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Worston
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Wm Vernon
Register: Baptims 1813 - 1829, Page 38, Entry 299
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Baptism: 22 Jan 1819 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Elizabeth Badger - [Child] of Richard Badger & Barbary
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: J Henderton
Register: Baptims 1813 - 1829, Page 60, Entry 476
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Baptism: 9 Jul 1819 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Ann Badger - [Child] of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Worston
Occupation: Labourer
Baptised by: R Little

Register: Baptims 1813 - 1829, Page 66, Entry 521
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Baptism: 4 Jun 1820 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
William Badger - S of Thomas Badger & Elizabeth
Abode: Alston
Occupation: Inn-keeper
Baptised by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson
Register: Baptisms 1813 - 1840

Baptism: 19 Jan 1821 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
John Badger - [Child] of Richard Badger & Barbary
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: R Little
Register: Baptims 1813 - 1829, Page 80, Entry 633
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Burial: 3 Feb 1822 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Richard Badger -
Age: 19 years
Abode: Alston
Buried by: The Revd. Robt. Parkinson
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 23, Entry 178
Source: LDS Film 1657578

Baptism: 30 Jul 1824 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Jane Badger - [Child] of Thomas Badger & Betty
Abode: Clitheroe
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: Rt Heath
Register: Baptims 1813 - 1829, Page 127, Entry 1011
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Baptism: 28 Sep 1826 St Mary, Newchurch In Pendle, Lancashire, England
Thomas Badger - Son of Mark Badger & Jenny
Abode: Newchurch
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Notes: Priv.
Baptised by: J Rushton Curate

Register: Baptisms 1822 - 1831, Page 53, Entry 423
Source: LDS Film 1278872

Burial: 25 Mar 1827 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
Catherine Badger -
Age: 8 years
Abode: Alston
Buried by: The Revd. Rt. Parkinson
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 39, Entry 312
Source: LDS Film 1657578

Baptism: 22 Feb 1828 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Richard Badger - [Child] of James Badger & Ann (formerly Parkinson)
Born: 28 Jan 1828
Abode: Worston
Occupation: Publican
Notes: P Baptism - Recd into the Church 23 Oct 1829
Baptised by: Joshua Lingard
Register: Baptisms 1813 - 1829, Page 182, Entry 1449
Source: LDS Film 1278857

Baptism: 20 Jul 1828 St Mary, Newchurch In Pendle, Lancashire, England
Mary Badger - Daughter of Mark Badger & Jenny
Abode: Newchurch
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: J Rushton
Register: Baptisms 1822 - 1831, Page 73, Entry 580
Source: LDS Film 1278872

Baptism: 1 Jan 1832 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
David Badger - [Child] of James Badger & Anne
Born: 11 Jul 1831
Abode: Clitheroe, Worston
Occupation: Publican
Baptised by: J H Anderton
Register: Baptisms 1829 - 1841, Page 49, Entry 387
Source: LDS Film 1278858

Baptism: 4 Oct 1833 St Mary Magdalene, Clitheroe, Lancashire, England
Margaret Anne Badger - [Child] of James Badger & Anne
Born: 7 Sep 1833
Abode: Worston
Occupation: Inn Keeper
Baptised by: J H Anderton
Register: Baptisms 1829 - 1841, Page 78, Entry 621
Source: LDS Film 1278858

Name: Cottam, Thomas Address: Chipping, Amounderness, Lancashire
Occupation: Innkeeper Contents: will, act on probate

Western Deaneries of the Archdeaconry of Richmond. Name: Cottam, Thomas Address: Chipping, Amounderness, Lancashire Occupation: Innkeeper Contents: will, act on probate

Held by: Lancashire Archives
Date: 1819
Reference: R 130b/22



Landlords of the Talbot following on from Thomas Badger in the 1700s (see above) :

[Chorley's Inns and Taverns: Chipping - Tillotson's Arms \(chorleyinnsandtaverns.blogspot.com\)](http://chorleyinnsandtaverns.blogspot.com)

Listed landlords at the Talbot Inn were Thomas Proctor (1805-07), Thomas Bleasdale (1809-15), William Sawyer (1825-), James Lund (1830-58), Isabella Robinson (1858-61), James Wilkinson (1861-65), William Patchett (1865), Arthur Handley (1866-74), James Smithson Pickop (1877-78), James Sutton (1879-83), Mann Robinson (1886-), Richard Jackson (1894-5), Henry Rogerson (1898-1901), Richard Dewhurst (1904-08), Hannah Dewhurst (1908-), Joseph Whalley (1911-23), Thomas Charles Robinson (1923), Henry Mercer (1926-37), Thomas Chadwick (1939-41), Archibald Calvert Patten (1945-48) and John Tweedy (1953).

CHIPPING PUB LANDLORDS	SUN INN or TOP HOUSE	THE BUCK or TILLOTSON'S ARMS	TALBOT INN or HOTEL
1825 Directory	Thomas Hothersall		William Sawyer
1834 Directory	Richard Bibby		James Lund
1840 Tithe Survey	Richard Bibby owner occupier.	William Sawyer occupier. William Wilkinson owner.	James Lund occupier. Richard Robinson owner.
1841 Census	Richard Bibby	William Sawyer	James Lund
1851 Directory	Major Howson	Richard Hanson	James Lund
1851 Census	James Mercer	Richard Hanson (also blacksmith)	James Lund
1861 Census	James Mercer	Thomas Walbank	Isabella Robinson
1865 Directory	William Wilkinson	George Walsley (also blacksmith)	William Patchett (also surgeon)
1871 Census	William Wilkinson	Ann Rogerson widow	Arthur Handley
1871 Rate List	William Wilkinson occupier. Reps. of Richard Bibby owner.	Ann Rogerson occupier. Richard Illingworth owner.	Arthur Handley occupier. Exors. of J. Robinson owner.
1881 Census	Sarah Barton widow	John Walbank	James Sutton
1895 Directory	John Berry (& chairmaker	Mrs Ann Musgrave	Richard Jackson
1898 Directory	John Berry (& chairmaker Kirk Mill)	John Harrison	Henry Rogerson
1901 Directory	Henry James Berry (& chairmaker Kirk Mill)	John Harrison	Henry Rogerson
1904 Directory	Thomas Hoyle	John Harrison	Richard Dewhurst
1907 Directory	Thomas Hoyle	Jeremiah Joy	Richard Dewhurst
1910 Directory	Thomas Hoyle	Jeremiah Joy	Joseph Whalley
1913 Directory	Thomas Hoyle	Jeremiah Joy	Joseph Whalley
1922 Directory	Thomas Hoyle	John H. Watson	Joseph Whalley
1926-7 Directory	Thomas Hoyle	Emmanuel Wareing	Henry Mercer
1932 Directory	Richard Procter		Henry Mercer
1936 Directory	Richard Procter		Henry Mercer
1940 Directory	Richard Procter	Hy C. Whittaker	Thomas Chadwick
1948 Directory	Richard Procter	Harry Whittaker	Archibald Patten

Directories used: Baines 1825, Pigot & Co's 1834, Slater's, Mannex, Barrett's and Bulaer's.

22 NB. THIS LIST IS NOT COMPLETE.

1851 Sees Richard Hanson take over...?
James Lund was still down as an Innkeeper in 1851.....

James Lund	Head	54	Widow and Son of 50, Ann Sawadine, Chipping
Ellen	Wife	45	Sawadine Barton
Mary	Serv	20	Innkeeper's Daughter
Richard Parkinson	Servant	21	Servant

Chipping	Richard Hanson	Head	Mar	32	Ironkeeper & Blacksmith	1 man
	Ellen Do	Wife	Mar	27		
	Luke Wilkinson	Thpson		14	Scholar	
	Mice Do	Updawn		102	Scholar	
	Luke Boothman	Loxer		26	Blacksmith journeyman	

The Sun or The Talbot ?

11	Hebth Lane	John Ray	Head	Mar	30	Bookkeeper and Farmer of 12 acres	Do	Bury
Chipping	Lamar	Homer	Head	Mar	28	Ironkeeper	Employing 10 men	

Pubs in those days were often “done” for serving outside of permitted hours ! 1891, John Bury of the Sun Inn was in bother !

SUNDAY DRINKING AND LONG SERMONS.

At Clitheroe yesterday morning J. Bury, landlord of the Sun Inn, Chipping, was summoned for having his house open on the 23rd of August for the sale of beer, and R. Isherwood, Richard Seed, William Seed, John Seed, and William Tomlinson were summoned for aiding and abetting in the offence. Mr. Baldwin defended.—Police Constable Wilson said that at 12 15 on Sunday, August 23, he visited the Sun Inn at Chipping, of which the defendant Bury was the landlord. The back door of the house was open, and in a drinking-room adjoining the bar he found the five defendants. They had all drink before them. When the landlord came into the room he was told of the offence. He said the defendants had been to a funeral during the week, and they attended the service on Sunday.—Mr. Baldwin said they were only eighteen minutes before the time. This was not an offence against the spirit of the law if against the letter, and he asked for a withdrawal of the case. The party had been to the church, and some of them had come the three miles. If the person had not preached a long sermon they would have been all right. (Laughter.) They did not go for the purpose of drinking.—Superintendent Myers would be satisfied if the defendants paid the costs.—The Chairman said the magistrates did not think it a bad case, but it would not do to let people imagine that they could drink at a house because they had been at service.—Defendants were ordered to pay the costs of the case.

[A history of Longridge and district : Smith, Thomas Charles, of Longridge, Eng : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

James Lund is mentioned aged 30

James Bleasdale appears to have the White Bull and is harbouring Vavasour the priest !

Baptism: 6 Sep 1789 Holy Trinity, Bolton le Sands, Lancashire, England
Thomas Bleasdale - Son of Edward Bleasdale & Alice, his wife
Abode: Hest Bank
Occupation: inn keeper
Register: Baptisms 1737 - 1812, Page 66, Entry 11
Source: LDS Film 1849647

On this occasion he spent 9d. with the sergeant. This was an expense he was able to claim and was probably for providing refreshment for himself and maybe the sergeant. He also purchased handcuffs for 2s. 6d. In 1791 the constable, William Lund paid 2s. 5d. to have the stocks repaired. These were situated at one corner of the churchyard.

It was the duty of the constable to make a report to the justices at the quarter sessions on the condition of roads and the legal requirements of alehouses.

1868 The Lund children facing bankruptcy.....the curse of Lizzie perhaps?

MANCHESTER BANKRUPTCY COURT, WEDNESDAY.—RE LUND.—The examination of witnesses in the case of Thos. Lund, cattle dealer, Blackburn, was continued.—Mr. Wm. Townend Lund, the brother of the bankrupt, examined by Mr. Ambrose, on behalf of Mr. Thwaites, an opposing creditor, stated that he had proved on the bankrupt's estate for £570, for money lent and paid by him to the bankrupt to that amount. The whole of the claim, within about £22, was for money lent. The £22 was for goods supplied,—flour, and nuts, and odd things of that kind. The greater portion of the money he lent to the bankrupt was advanced by Lund and Co., whose business he took over. Lund and Co. advanced about £450. James Lund constituted the firm of Lund and Co., and witness had proved for money lent by him, in respect of the money which was lent by James Lund.—Mr. Ambrose: How do you make it out that money lent by James Lund, trading as Lund and Co., was money lent by you?—Witness: When I took over the business of Lund and Co. I took it with all the assets and liabilities, and this debt was one of the assets. He did not lend to the bankrupt the moneys that he drew from Lund and Co. as carried on by James Lund. When he took to the business of Lund and Co. the liabilities amounted to about £700. The assets were about £250 less than the liabilities, assuming the debt of Thos. Lund and every ledger debt to be good ones. The assets were accounts owing for goods delivered. He paid James Lund for the stock in trade. He could scarcely tell the amount from memory. He had discharged all the liabilities of Lund and Co. with one exception, and that was the half of Mrs. Lund's loan to Lund and Co. of £250. Witness was a party to the ar.

One Richard Bibby was in the Scots Guards ! He became a clogger :

Richard
Attestation year 1826
Last name Bibby
Service number 880
Birth year 1808
Regiment Scots Guards
Birth town -
Series Scots Guards Service Records 1799-1939
Birth parish Preston
Record set British Army Service Records
Birth county Lancashire
Category Military, armed forces & conflict
Birth country England
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PRESTON'S INNS, TAVERNS and BEERHOUSES: Search results for BIBBY (pubsinpreston.blogspot.com)

Plasterers Arms

CENSUS RETURNS

1851			
James Martland	67 years	Beerseller	b. Walton-le-dale
Mary Martland	63	Wife	b. Staveley, Derbyshire
Samuel Martland	24	Son	b. Walton-le-dale
John Bibby	31	Son-in-law	b. Preston
Elizabeth Bibby	33	Wife of John Bibby	do
Mary Bibby	7	Grand-daughter	do
Eliza Bibby	5	Grand-daughter	do
Alice Bibby	3	Grand-daughter	do
Samuel Bibby	1	Grand-son	do

Preston Swann with two neck.....

1861			
George Bibby	37 years	Lic. Vict.	b. Preston
Agnes Bibby	36	Wife	do
Ann Bibby	12	Daughter	do
Martha Bibby	9	Daughter	do
Agnes Bibby	7	Daughter	do
George Bibby	4	Son	do
Richard Bibby	7 months	Son	do

Another Richard Bibby would run North Union Hotel :

NORTH UNION RAILWAY HOTEL, Butler Street

1867 - 71 Richard Bibby

Preston Herald 4th January 1868

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EXCURSIONS! EXCURSIONS!!
EXCURSIONS!!!
The finest and Best WINES and SPIRITS
may be had at
R. BIBBY'S, NORTH UNION HOTEL,
BUTLER STREET

EXCURSION BOTTLES AT WHOLESALE PRICES.
Preston Chronicle 4th June 1870

Preston Chronicle 22nd December 1877

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CENSUS RETURNS

1841		
John Savage	38 years	Publican
Mary Savage	31	Wife

1851

1617 An early mention of John Bibby was as a cook at Houghton Tower. It was highly likely that it was a case of “outside catering” as we still do today. The local landlords brought in for the duration of this very famous visit:

Between August 15 and 17, 1617, King James I made his extravagant entrance to Hoghton Tower on half a mile of velvet at the tower entrance.
Hoghton Tower is the location where the royal visitor tasted a joint of beef so good that he famously knighted it; from then on, the beef loin "henceforth... shall be SIR-LOIN".

[The Journal of Nicholas Assheton, of Downham, in the County of Lancaster, Esq., for Part of the ... : Nicholas Assheton , Francis Robert Raines : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

Ducks boiled	Umble pye
Pullet	Tart
Red deer pye cold	Made dish

"Labourers,—for the pastries : John Greene, Richard Blythe, William Aldersey, Alexander Cowper ;—for the ranges : John Coleburne, Elias James, John Rairke, Robert Dance ;—for boiling : John Murryer, William Parkes ;—for pullets : John Clerke, John Bibby. Chief cooks, Mr. Morris ; Mr. Miller."

(1) "*A Speech made to King James at his coming to Hoghton Tower by two conceived to be the Household Gods ; the first atty'd in a purple taffata mantle, in one hand a palm-tree branch, on his head a garland of the same, and in the other hand a dogge :*

This day, great Kinge for government admir'd !
Which these thy subjects have so much desir'd
Shall be kept holy in their hearts' best treasure
And vow'd to James as is this month to Caesar.

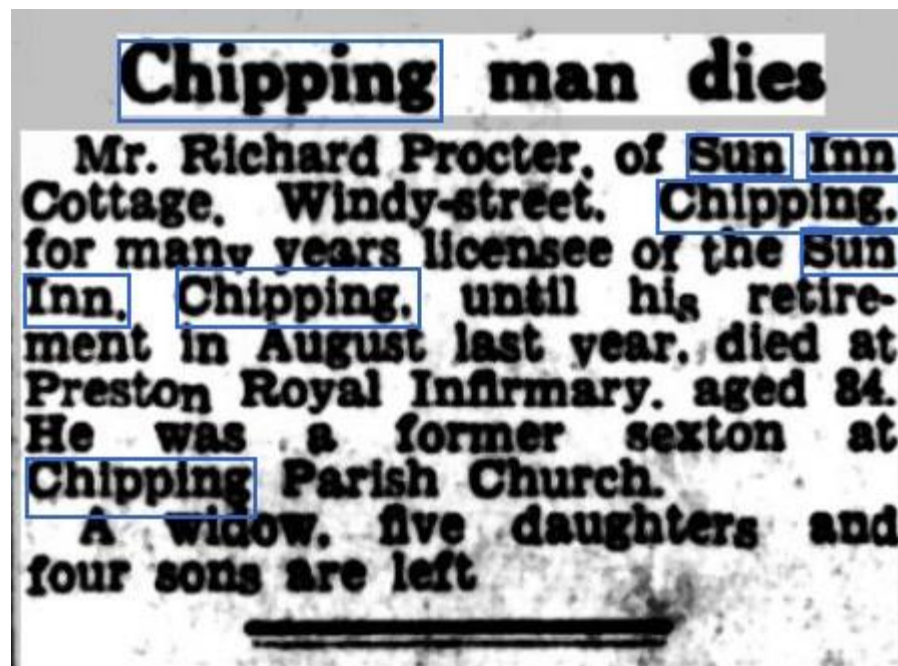
21st Feb 1890 Fighting in The Sun :

CHIPPING.
POLICE NEWS.--At the Clitheroe County Police-court on Tuesday, Richard Seed, brush turner, Chipping, and Edward Seed, corn miller, Chipping, were charged with committing a breach of the dog muzzling order on the 25th ult.—A fine of 1s. and costs in each case was imposed.—*A Drunken Quarrel.*—Isaac Rhodes, farmer, was charged, on the information of P.C. Wilson, with being drunk and fighting with another man at the back of the Sun Inn, Chipping, on the 1st inst., and he was fined 5s. and costs.—*A Disputed Charge.*—John Charnley, Leagram Green, and John Hodgkinson, Chipping, were charged with fighting each other on the 24th ult. in Leagram-lane, near Chipping.—P.C. Wilson gave evidence as to the offence.—Defendants denied the charge, and said they were good friends.—Three witnesses were brought in support who stated on oath that no fighting took place.—Defendants were bound over to keep the peace.

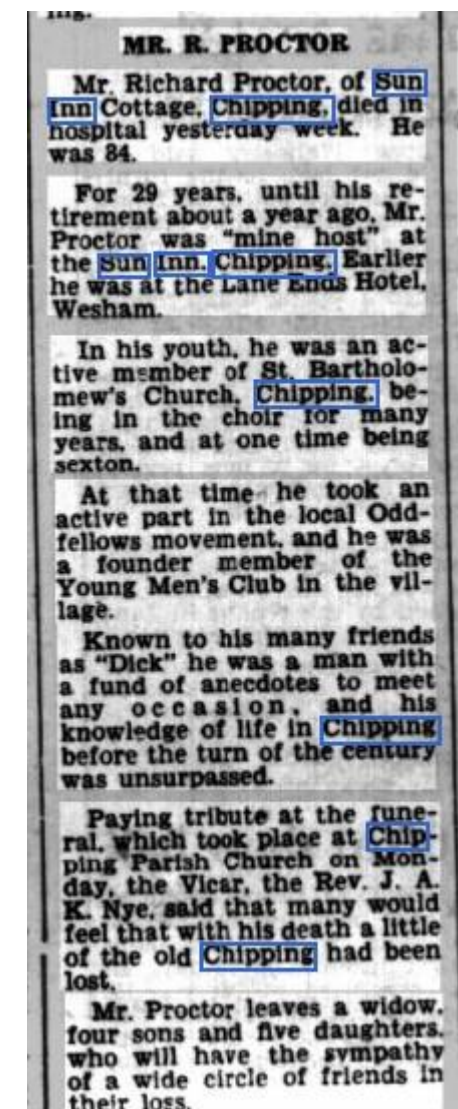
5th Feb 1913 The Sun Inn always busy....

ANNUAL SHOOT AT CHIPPING.
The annual shoot took place at the Sun Inn, Chipping, under the auspices of Mr. Thomas Hoyle, landlord of the Sun Inn. About 150 people joined the shoot, and the following were the prize-winners:—1, William Hoyle, of Dunsop; 2, Thos. Seed, a side of bacon; 3, Roger Baines, Chipping; 4, Mrs. Cox, of Leagram, a table-cloth; 5, Daniel Seed, Chipping; 6, Thomas Pye. After the shoot, a social evening was spent at the Sun Inn.

19th Nov. 1955 Death of a Landlord.

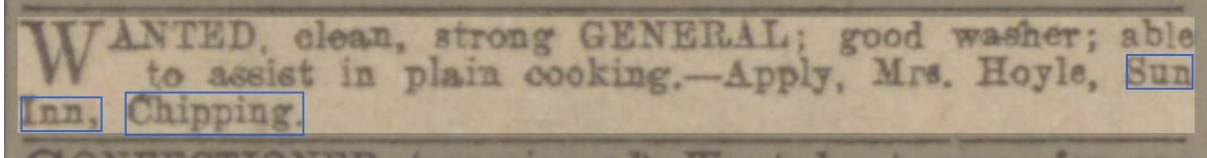


*Yet another death in November !
25th November....*

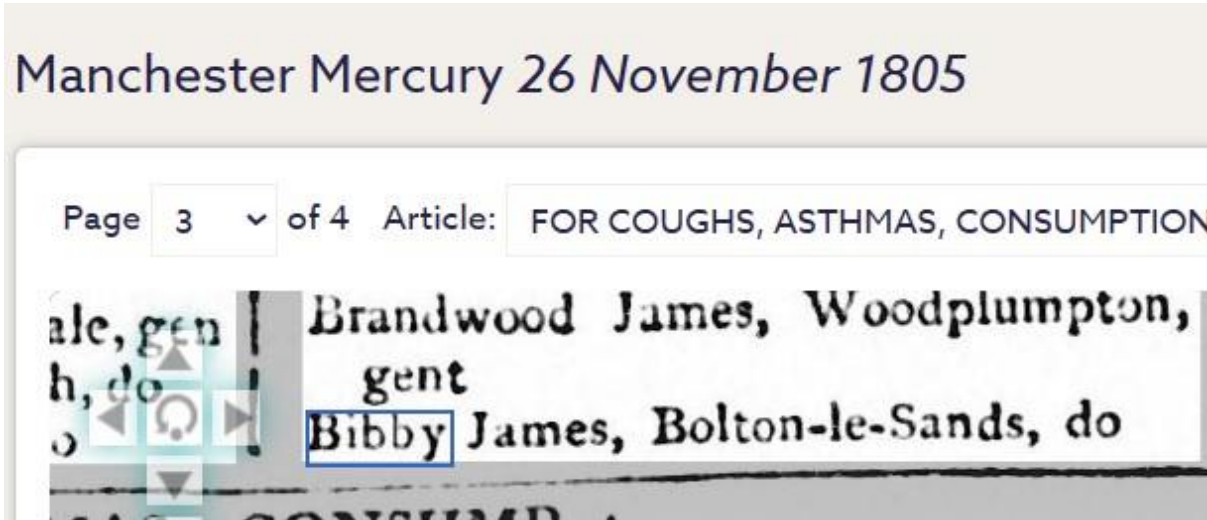


Preston Herald Oct 1887 Sale of Sun Inn

26th Aug 1910....looking for staff....



Way back in 1805 one James Bibby was granted a licence at Bolton-Le Sands where my 5 x Gt. Grandfather Bleasdale in this area was a landlord at a similar time.



VALUABLE FREEHOLD PUBLIC-HOUSE AND COTTAGES and LAND in CHIPPING.
By Mr. RICHARD HELM TURNER, at the house of Mr. THOMAS SLATER, the **SUN INN**, in CHIPPING, in the county of Lancaster, on TUESDAY, the 8th day of November, 1887, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, subject to the Public Sale Conditions of the Preston Law Society and to the special conditions of sale to be then produced.

Lot 1. THE Old-established PUBLIC-HOUSE, situate at Chipping, known as the SUN INN, with the Butcher's Shop, Stables, Shippon, and Outbuildings thereto belonging; and also the Two Closets of Meadow and Pasture Land fronting the highway there, and containing in statute measure the following quantities or thereabouts:—

	A.	R.	P.
The Meadow	1	3	6
The Pasture	3	2	34
	5	2	0

The above premises are in the occupation of Mr. Thomas Slater.

Lot 2. The MEADOW, situate in Chipping, adjoining or near to Club Houses, occupied by Mr. Thomas Slater, and containing, in statute measure, 3r. 22p., or thereabouts.

Lot 3. The FOUR HOUSES, situate in Chipping, known as "Club Houses," with the Gardens and Appurtenances thereto belonging, in the occupation of Mr. James Boscoe Watson, Mr. William Walmsley, Mr. William Procter, and Mr. Thomas Parkinson.

Further particulars may be had on application to the AUCTIONEER, Clitheroe; Mr. JOHN PROCTER, JUN., Wolfhouse, Chipping; Mr. HENRY PRESTON, Greystonely, Little Bowland; or Messrs. W. A., & R. ASCROFT, Solicitors, 35, Winckley-square, Preston.

Landlords and Ladies of The Sun Inn

Listed landlords at the Sun Inn were Thomas Hothersall (1825), Richard Bibby (1828-44), Major Howson (1850), James Mercer (1851-65), William Wilkinson (1865-75), William Barton (-1879), Sarah Barton (1879-81), Thomas Slater (1885), John Berry (1889-99), Martha Berry (1899-1901), Henry James Berry (1901-), Thomas James Hoyle (1908-27), Richard Proctor (1925-54), Stephen Wadsworth (2005), Stephen Graham Stansfield (2007), Lindsay Metcalfe (2009), Beverley Ann Hedges (2009), Craig Jonathan Smith (2011), Beverley Ann Hedges (2016-20) and William Joseph Eidsforth (2020-).

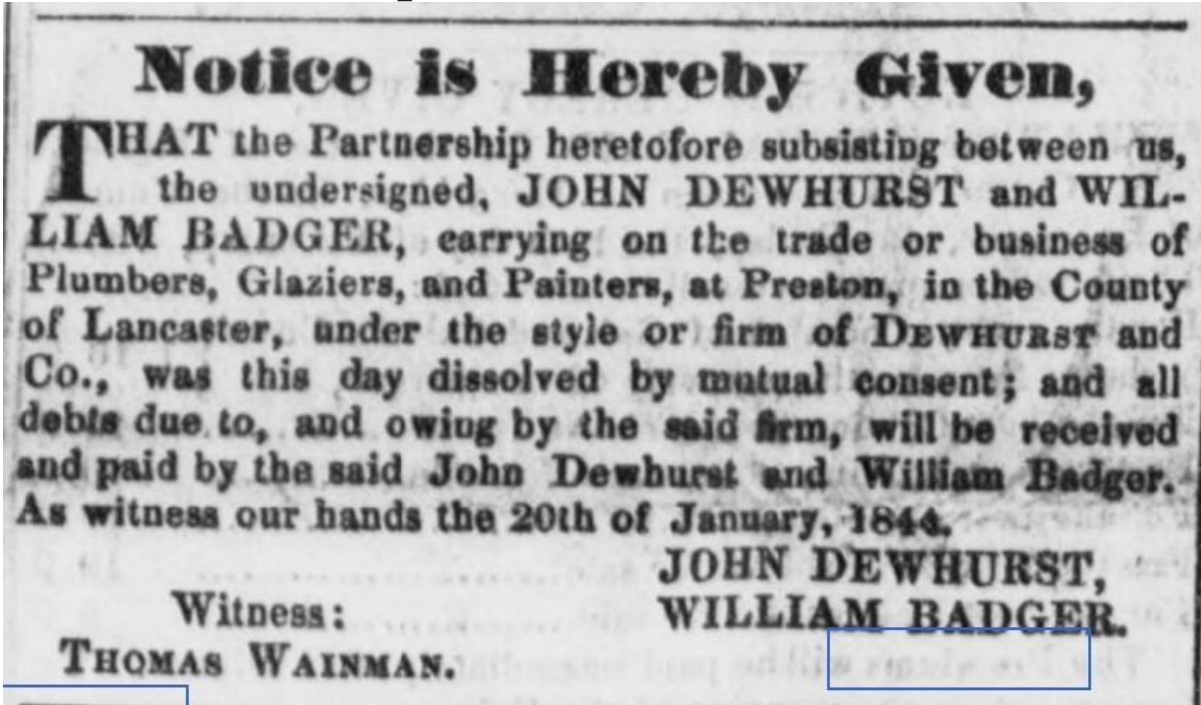
Other bits of relevant research :

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[LAMB INN / NEW LAMB INN, 115 Park Road](#)

1849-1861 Landlord			
1861			
Thomas Dean	58 years	Beerseller	b.
Hoghton			
Mary Dean	55	Wife	do

Burial: 4 Apr 1840 St Lawrence, Longridge, Lancashire, England
George Dean -
Age: 3 yrs
Abode: Preston
Buried by: Frederick Maude
Register: Burials 1813 - 1848, Page 76, Entry 601 Source: LDS Film 1657578
[Chorley's Inns and Taverns: Chipping - Sun Inn \(chorleyinnsandtaverns.blogspot.com\)](#)

Badgers and Dewhursts might have made better victuallers than plumbers !



BREACHES OF THE LICENSING ACT.—William Badger, landlord of the Theatre Tavern, Fishergate, was summoned for keeping his house open during prohibited hours, and Peter Kerfoot, James Edward Smith, William Metcalf, and John Gilchrist, were summoned for aiding and abetting.—Mr. Whiteside prosecuted and Mr. Blackburn defended.—P.C. Ash deposed that at about ten minutes to two o'clock on Friday morning, the 18th inst, he saw the four defendants let out of the Theatre Tavern by the side door. He stopped them and got their names and addresses. The defendants afterwards accompanied witness and two other officers to the Theatre Tavern, and wanted to pay for whiskey's round and also to give money, if they would not report the matter. Witness, however, refused to accept anything, and told the landlady that he should report her.—P.S. Dugdale and P.C. Gartland corroborated.—For the defence Mr. Blackburn said that the defendants were very intimate friends of Mr. Badger, and that on the night in question the landlady invited them to supper. Mr. Badger had been away in London, and was expected home by the early morning mail, and the defendants were waiting for him, but he did not arrive, and then they went home. The defendant had been a publican for a great number of years, and this was the first time he had been summoned for a breach of his license.—Gilchrist, and Kerfoot were called and corroborated Mr. Blackburn's statement, and also denied offering a bribe to the police.—Mr. Badger said that he had on several occasions invited the defendants to supper.—The Bench said it was very important that Mrs. Badger should attend, and a messenger was despatched for her.—After hearing her evidence, the Bench said it was a very proper case to bring before them, but they did not think there was any intention of breaking the law, and the summonses would be dismissed.—Wm. Farlington,



Here's the replacement that most of us remember. I'm sure there be plenty of stories about the Theatre.

MINE HOSTS:

1802	Built in this year, along with the Theatre Royal, for the Guild of that year.
1805	See article
1812	John Mayor
1813	Mrs. Nuttall - see death notice, below : 23.1.1813
1818	Elizabeth Williams Mrs. Williams d. 15.10.1818 - don't know if this is her.
1818 - 25	Ann Anderson d. 4.12.1825
1829	William Croasdale
1831 - 44	Mrs Ann Croasdale PC. 31.8.1839 gave applicant for licence as Mary Robinson, at Peter Catterall. Mary R. of 1853 - 1866 would only be about 20 years of age at this time. Was it her that was b
1845 - 52	Ann Hunt
1852 - 53	William Robinson d.19.11.1853 aged 35 years 'after a lengthy illne
1853 - 66	Mary Robinson d. 26.4.1866 aged 48 years.
1866 - 68	John McGlinchy
1868 - 70	David Kearton d. 1870
1870 - 74	Mrs. Maria Kearton
1874 - 87	William Badger

TRANSFER OF LICENSES.—The following ale-house and beerhouse licenses were transferred this morning:—A beer-house at Ribchester, from Elizabeth Allston to Edmund Dewhurst; the Greyhound beer-house, at Oswaldtwistle, from Joshua Lowe to Thomas Marsden; the Withy Trees ale-house, Walkoo-le-Dale, from James Sumner to John Kellw; the Grey Horse ale-house, at Walkoo-le-Dale, from James Metcalf to Jas. Lee; the Rose and Crown ale-house, Oswaldtwistle, from Jane Catlow to Joseph Rawcliffe; the Volunteer's Inn ale-house, Haslingden, from Mark Tomlinson to John Barlow; the Woolpack Inn, Haslingden, from Margaret Taylor to James King, her now husband; the Rose Inn beerhouse, Oswaldtwistle, from John Thompson to Thomas Bibby; the Gardeners' Arms ale-house, Oswaldtwistle, from John Cross to Thomas Metcalfe; the New Inn beerhouse, at Oswaldtwistle, from Thomas Bibby to Robert Haslam; and the Black Lion, Oswaldtwistle, from Alfred Leach to James Moulding.

William Ascroft was an executor of The Will of Thomas Badger :

Signed Sealed published and declared
by the said Thomas Badger the Testator
at and for his last Will and Testament
in the presence of us who at his request
in his presence and in the presence of
each other have hereunto subscribed
our names as witnesses.

Thos Badger

Wm Ascroft

Richd Clitheroe

Will Ascroft Jr

The New Cock was long famous for its beer, and its early reputation was due to William Ascroft, who was, I think, its first landlord and afterwards proprietor. I find that he occupied the premises as early as 1812, his name appearing on a polling list of that date. He was the first of several generations of the Ascroft family who have served Preston well in their day. His son Robert was Town Clerk of the borough from 1852 to 1875 and founded the firm of R. and W. Ascroft. Their first place of business was in New Cock-yard; afterwards they moved to Cannon-street and in later years took over their present premises in Winckley-square.



Photo; Courtesy of Glenn Woolley - www.closedpubs.co.uk

MINE HOSTS:

1810 - 28 William **Ascroft**
1829 Edward Bennett

1849 Thomas Dean Landlord of Lamb Inn

LAMB INN / NEW LAMB INN #

115 Park Road

In 1904 these premises acquired the name **ALBION INN**. See that page



MINE HOSTS

1833 John Noble / George Noble
1843 William Sergeant
1849 - 61 Thomas **Dean**

There were other licensed establishments in Chipping !

Plans of the House and Premises formerly called the Roe Buck Public House in Chipping

CLITHEROE COUNTY COURT.MISCELLANEOUS.
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Young Richard Bibby made a match !

Chronicle 06 June 1846

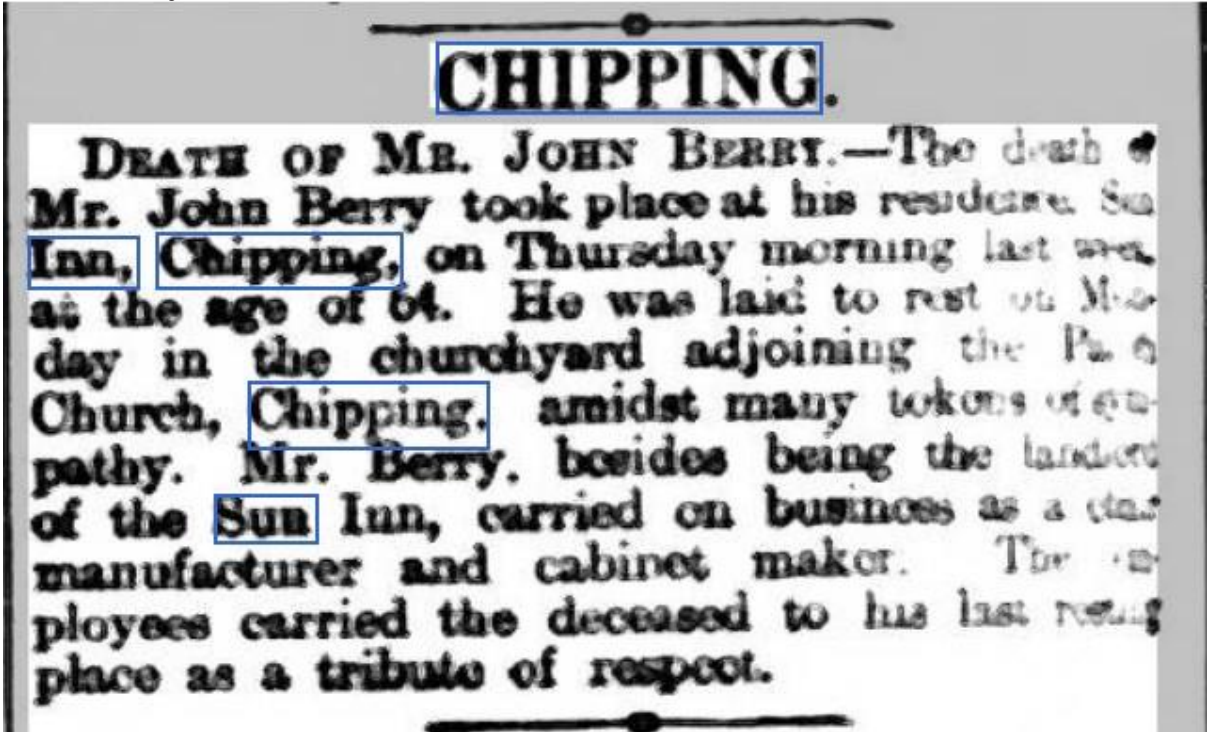
of 8 Article: FESTIVITIES OF WHITSUNTIDE.

Preston, Mr. Thomas Cook Gungress to Miss Isabella Hill, Mr. Thomas Hill to Miss Esther Ann Hill, Mr. Thos. Watson to Miss Ann Windle, Mr. John Armitstead to Miss Janet Downham, Mr. Andrew Hardman to Miss Alice Rothwell; on Saturday last, Mr. Matthew Cross to Miss Ann Calvert, Mr. Richard Bibby to Miss Mary Sweden, Mr. John Gregson to Miss Mary Ribchester, Mr. Andrew Mc.Graw to Miss Ann Keighley,—all of this town.

1861 Census The Sun Inn

22	Wm. Bibby	1	James Mercer	Head	Mar	39	Victoria
	Ann Bibby		Mary Do	Wife	Mar	37	Scholar
			John Do	Son	"	7	Scholar
			Mary Ann Do	Daughter	"	3	Scholar
			James Do	Son	"	1	
			Richard Do	Uncle	Mar	22	Arthur
			Elizabeth Ellison	Serv	Un	33	Ann

Berry's Chair Factory, I have a Rocking chair from here !



To sum up I hope the above encourages you to do research for yourself. I have borrowed a few pictures from the internet by way of illustration which are so widely distributed copyright sources are impossible to check.
Lancashire folks owe a debt of gratitude to Lancashire Online Office of Parish Clerks and the many volunteers.

[Lancashire OnLine Parish Clerk Project - Search \(lan-opc.org.uk\)](http://lan-opc.org.uk)

So far on Ancestry.com I have added over 90 relatives of Elizabeth Dean which is a Public Tree you can have a look at; I hope I have achieved what I set out to do establishing that she was far from an unimportant casual labourer. She has been given a voice again in this modern world which is still striving for women's rights 200 years later. I hope I have not offended anyone living and if you have a version of events which casts doubt on mine this writing can always be amended. I hope you enjoyed it to some extent, heavily laden with facts.



Psalm 109

- 1.[For the choirmaster Of David Psalm] God whom I praise, do not be silent!
- 2.Wicked and deceiving words are being said about me, false accusations are cast in my teeth.
- 3.Words of hate fly all around me, though I give no cause for hostility.
- 4.In return for my friendship they denounce me, and all I can do is pray!
- 5.They repay my kindness with evil, and friendship with hatred.
- 6.'Set up a wicked man against him as accuser to stand on his right.
- 7.At his trial may he emerge as guilty, even his prayer construed as a crime!
- 8.'May his life be cut short, someone else take over his office,
- 9.his children be orphaned, his wife be widowed.
- 10.'May his children wander perpetually, beggars, driven from the ruins of their house,
- 11.a creditor seize all his goods, and strangers make off with his earnings.
- 12.'May there be none left faithful enough to show him love, no one take pity on his orphans,
- 13.the line of his descendants cut off, his name wiped out in one generation.
- 14.'May Yahweh never forget the crimes of his ancestors, and his mother's sins not be wiped out;
- 15.may Yahweh keep these constantly in mind, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.'
- 16.He had no thought of being loyal, but hounded the poor and the needy and the broken-hearted to their death.

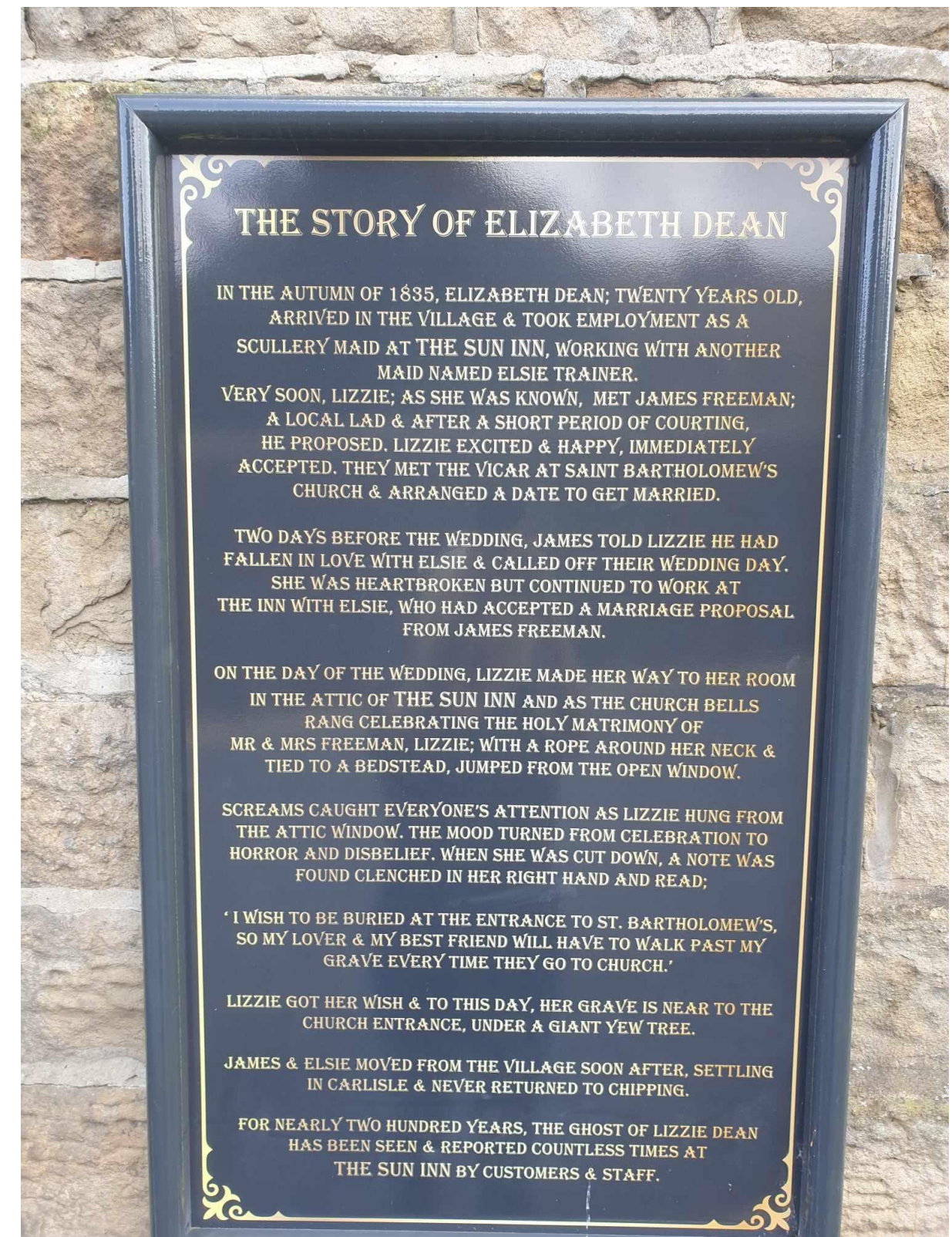
My Final Dedications.

I would like to thank my wife Donna, our son Alexander and of course my only daughter, Elizabeth, my Lizzie, for all their support.

The research has taken intensive searches over the last four months, night and day.

I do apologise if I have got any of the above wrong and especially to The Sun Inn who may now have to consider re-writing the history on the sign outside which only tells half the story; albeit a good one but not a true one or is it ?

Billy the landlord exclaimed it cost him £800 ? I'll consider myself barred or maybe drinks all round if my book brings extra trade to the village. No publicity they say is bad pub...licity.





Finally, Chipping is a lovely village and has always been close to my heart. I highly recommend a visit and hope my writing brings nothing but good. The proof readings and final publication took a while accepted on Hallowe'en but strangely everything was delayed until 5th November 2023. Lizzie made sure it would be timed for her Anniversary.

Alan Briggs

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Any profits will go to Elizabeth Ann Briggs, my
Lizzie !*



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Insofar as the text of my own story.

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[Ancestry.com](http://ancestry.com) and Find My Past.

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