

Abstracts of Deeds relating to Properties at Stopper Lane.

The deeds were kindly loaned to me by the late Mr Issac Whittaker, who was the Postmaster and shopkeeper at Stopper Lane for many years.

27th & 28th May 1840

Indentures of Lease & Release bearing above respective dates made or expressed to be made between Charles Carr of the first part, Thomas Dean & William Lawson of the second part, the said Thomas Dean of the third part, Thomas Banks of the fourth part and Thomas Mason of the fifth part. The Messuage, Dwelling house Warehouse Stable & Garden were released to the said Thomas Banks with a limitation to Thomas Mason (Details taken from Indenture of Transfer 11th February 1852.)

Plus

24th November 1841

INDENTURE of Appointment and demise between Thomas Banks of the one part & William Wilkinson the elder of the other of the Messuages, Dwelling houses Cottage Weaving Mill, Workshop Warehouses Lands and Premises as security for £600 lent by the said William Wilkinson to the said Thomas Banks. (Details taken from Indenture of Transfer 11th February 1852.)

Led to

11th February 1852

INDENTURE made between William Wilkinson the elder of Skipton, Corn Merchant, of the first part, John Cowburn, Settle, Gentleman, 2nd part, Thomas Banks, Stopper Lane, Rimington, Yeoman, 3rd part, and William Wilkinson the younger of Skipton, Corn Miller and Robert Cockshott, Colne, Chandler, 4th part. Whereas William Wilkinson the elder has called in Thomas Banks debt of £257 still owing on the initial mortgage of £600. A Memorandum of 20th March 1843 on the security of £349 11s 0d shows £257 10s 9d was still owing to William Wilkinson the elder and £92 0s 3d was owing to John Cowburn. The £92 0s 3d was paid off to John Cowburn but £257 was still due to William Wilkinson (interest paid) whereupon Thomas Banks called upon William Wilkinson the younger and Robert Cockshott to pay off his mortgage to William Wilkinson the elder and the mortgage is actually Transferred from William Wilkinson the elder to William Wilkinson the younger & Robert Cockshott. The properties being: Firstly All that Messuage or Dwellinghouse with garden at front in the occupation of the said Thomas Banks with a Warehouse and Stable adjoining now in the occupation of the said Thomas Banks and others at Stopper Lane, Rimington. Secondly All that large Weaving Mill or Workshop recently erected and those severn cottages or dwellinghouses at Stopper Lane now in the late or several occupations of James Stuthard, Richard Shuttleworth, James Dugdale, Robert Ward, Jane Briggs, James Parkinson, Hannah Bailey & Benjamin Sutcliffe together with a warehouse adjoining the Chapel late in the occupation of James Dugdale and now of the said Thomas Banks

Thomas Banks to pay the mortgage off by 11th August 1852 with £5 for every £100 interest. However should he fail to meet the deadline then William Wilkinson & Robert Cockshott have the right to sell what property they see fit to meet this debt or continue to take payment from Thomas Banks at the rate of £5 in every £100 to be paid twice yearly on the 11th February and 11th August

24th July 1861

Mr Thomas Banks to Messrs W & J Wilkinson: Mortgage of the Equity of Redemption of certain premises at Stopper Lane, Rimington.

The sum of £257 is still owing to William Wilkinson the younger & Robert Cockshott. Thomas Banks now also owes William Wilkinson the younger and John Wilkinson the sum of £190 3s 3d for goods sold and delivered to Thomas Banks. This indenture witnesses the release of all the properties mentioned in the Indenture of 11th February 1852 to William Wilkinson the younger and John Wilkinson. The properties are now in the occupations of Robert Briggs, Ralph Pawson, Robert Ward, John Wood, Benjamin Metcalfe and James Hamerton [*there were 8 names in 1852*] together with a warehouse adjoining the Methodist Chapel now or late in the occupation of the said Thomas Banks.

16th January 1867

INDENTURE 1

Thomas Banks defaulted on his payment of £257 therefore William Wilkinson the younger and Robert Cockshott used their right to sell, for the sum of £150, All the messuages, or dwellinghouses and shop with outbuildings etc on the easterly side of the Methodist Chapel formerly in the occupation of Thomas Banks but now in the occupation of Robert Duckworth to the said Robert Duckworth. Subject to an annual payment of threepence being a proportionate part or share of a certain free rent or quit rent of two shillings.

INDENTURE 2

William Wilkinson the younger and Robert Cockshutt also used their right for the default of Thomas Banks' £257 debt to sell for the sum of £200 to Robert Duckworth of Stopper Lane, Rimington, Grocer, and James Dean, Stoops, Rimington, Farmer, All those two several cottages now or late used as stables and warehouse over the same situate at Stopper Lane and on the westerly side immediately adjoining the Methodist Chapel with the Bake house & conveniences thereto belonging now or late in the occupations of Mary Ward, Benjamin Metcalfe, John Wood, Thomas Banks and the said Robert Duckworth. And also half of the court or yard to the centre or lying between and coextensive with the said said cottages in the several occupations of Benjamin Metcalfe, John Wood, and Thomas Banks and two several cottages on the opposite side thereof and now or late in the occupations of Betty Briggs and Ja..... Oddie. Subject to the rent as mentioned in INDENTURE 1. And Robert Duckworth and James Dean declare that the east gable end and wall of the said cottage now used as a stable and warehouse and of the cottage in the occupation of the said Thomas Banks shall henceforth be a joint party wall between the same premises and the said Methodist Chapel.

[Presumably there would be a third Indenture re the Weaving Mill or Workshop between William Wilkinson the younger and Robert Cockshott of the first part and... a Spencer, wheelwright and joiner the second part?]

18th May 1870

For the sum of £100 Robert Duckworth releases his moiety (half share) in the properties mentioned in INDENTURE 2 to James Dean.

28th February 1884

For the sum of £325 James Dean releases his property All those two several cottages (formerly used as stables) and Warehouse over the same situate now or late in the occupation of Robert Duckworth at the westerly side of the Methodist Chapel together with a Bakehouse lately in the occupations of Mary Ward, Benjamin Metcalfe, John Wood,

Thomas Banks, & Robert Duckworth but now of John Pope, John Porter, Thomas Edmund Duckworth, John Wood and Mrs Briggs and also the court or yard to the centre there of between and coextensive with the said cottages in the several occupations of the said John Pope, John Porter, Thomas Edmund Duckworth, John Wood, & Mrs Briggs and two several cottages on the opposite side now or lately occupies by Richard Spencer.

[For some reason I didn't note who he released his property to.]

Re Thomas Banks. It was noted in the 25th May 1842 issue of the Leeds Times newspaper that Thomas Banks late of Stopper-Lane, Rimington, Shopkeeper and Farmer, was being sued as an insolvent debtor. The case was to be heard in the court house, Wakefield on Thursday 23rd June 1842 at 10a.m.