<u>A Description of documents regarding 4 cottages to the east of the former shop and Post</u> <u>Office in Stopper Lane.</u>

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

# 27<sup>th</sup> May 1840

From Charles Carr, Executor of the Will of the late John Dean of Addingham, Gentleman, who was mortgage of the below property, Thomas Dean of Stopper Lane, Yeoman, William Lawson, Little Dudland, Sawley, Farmer, Trustees of the Will and Testament of the late John Dean, Stopper Lane, Yeoman, and Thomas Dean, son and heir of said John Dean of the one part to William Lawson, as previously mentioned, for the sum of 5/- to each from William Lawson to those of the first part for the LEASE for one year of 4 cottages or dwellinghouses at Stopper Lane in the now or late occupation of Richard Pickles, James Ward, Henry Dean & William Cook with gardens in front of each. The rent of one pepper corn to be paid at the end of the term if so requested.

# 28<sup>th</sup> May 1840

RELEASE of the above mentioned properties between the same above parties for the sum of £285. (Plus Thomas Mason who was Trustee for William Lawson.)

# 19<sup>th</sup> May 1873

CONVEYANCE of the above 4 properties late in the occupations of Richard Pickles, James Ward, Henry Dean & William Cook but now of John Atkinson, Charlotte Dean, Richard Hindle, Henry Briggs & Thomas Jackson, from William Lawson to James Worswick for the sum of £200.

#### 16<sup>th</sup> June 1900

CONVEYANCE of the above 4 properties late in the occupations of John Atkinson, Charlotte Dean, Richard Hindle, Henry Briggs & Thomas Jackson but now of J & A Atkinson, John Atkinson, Abel Atkinson & Charlotte Dean from Margaret Hargreaves wife of Richard Hargreaves, Castle Street, Clitheroe, Draper, of the first part Mary Worswick of Downham, widow of James Worswick, of the second part (Margaret Hargreaves is their daughter) (died 6<sup>th</sup> Sept 1898. Probate granted 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 1898) to John Duckworth, Stopper Lane, Grocer, for the sum of £260.

#### 17<sup>th</sup> April 1901

MORTGAGE between John Duckworth, Stopper Lane, Grocer, of the one part & Colne Nelson District (624<sup>th</sup>) Starr-Bowkett Building Society for the sum of £300 by weekly payments of 9/3. Security being ALL THOSE four cottages or dwelling houses, Stopper Lane, lately in the occupations of J&A Atkinson, John Atkinson, Abel Atkinson & Charlotte Dean, one of which said cottages, namely the one lately in the occupation of Abel Atkinson has been recently converted into a grain warehouse and is now in the of the mortgagor, and the cottage said to have been recently in the occupation of Charlotte Dean is now in that of the said Abel Atkinson together with the gardens in front of each of the said cottages and occupied therewith.

2<sup>nd</sup> April 1907 - Further mortgage taken out for £100.

### January 1930

CONVEYANCE between John Duckworth of the one part and John Spencer & Alice Ann Spencer of the other part the cottage or dwelling house known as Ivy Cottage with land forming the site thereof & the garden on the south side plus small plot of land & privy being the westerly one of two privies on the south side of cottages on the easterly side of Ivy Cottage.

# January 1930

CONVEYANCE between John Duckworth of the one part and Doris Spencer of the other part the two cottages (being the most easterly of the within comprised cottages) with the land forming the site thereof and the garden on the south side thereof (excepting the small plot of land & privy conveyed to the other named John and Alice Ann Spencer

### January 22<sup>nd</sup> 1930

Requisition sent to Register of Deeds, Wakefield on behalf of Caleb Duckworth of Colne, Lancs., Fruit Preserver, for an official search in the name of John Duckworth of 'Deneley', Stopper Lane, Rimington, Grocer, from 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1920 to 21<sup>st</sup> January 1930 affecting all those four cottages and premises at Stopper Lane in the several occupations of John Atkinson, Charlotte Dean, Richard Hindle, Henry Briggs & Thomas Jackson later of J & A Atkinson John Atkinson Abel Atkinson & Charlotte Dean but now of John Duckworth John and Alice Ann Spencer Samuel Brown & Victor Duckworth in the West Riding County of York.