ACORN
Bridge Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
John Beckett  [1818] – [1822]
ACORN

7, (5), (3), Pinfold Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ralph Gough, gentleman, Gorsebrook Street, Wolverhampton
David Morris, ironworks manager, Highfield House, Bradley
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Edwards [1828] – [1851]
Thomas Johnson [1861]
James Price [1864] – [1865]
David Morris [1871] – 1890);
Richard John Hibell (1890);
William Watkins (1890 – 1892);
Alfred Newton (1892);
David Wootton (1892 – 1893);
Sarah Shaw (1893 – 1895);
Mrs. Sarah Ann Whitehouse (1895 – 1896);
William Millington (1896 – 1907);
Alfred Newton (1907);
Charles Smith (1907 – 1918);
Mrs. Ellen Harper (1918 – 1920);
James Thomas Cadman (1920 – 1926);
Albert Edward Jones (1926 – 1940)

NOTES

3, Pinfold Street [1858]
5, Pinfold Street [1861], [1865], [1871]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
5, Pinfold Street
[1] Thomas Johnson (47), innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
[2] Martha Johnson (49), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Martha Johnson (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Richard F. Johnson (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Jane Foster (55), sister in law, unmarried, born Bilston:

1871 Census
5, Pinfold Street – ACORN INN
[2] Emma Morris (43), wife, born Moxton (?) [Moxon?], Oxfordshire;
[3] Mary Morris (24), general servant, born Llanfillan, Montgomeryshire:
David Morris, beer retailer, Pinfold Street [1872]

Midland Counties Evening Express 1/1/1875
“On December 26th the Loyal United Brothers, No. 72, held their 35th anniversary at the ACORN INN, Pinfold Street, Bilston. Between thirty and forty sat down to an excellent dinner…..”

1881 Census
Pinfold Street – ACORN INN
[1] David Morris (42), licensed victualler and warehouse man, born Llanfyllin, Montgomeryshire;
[2] Emma Morris (52), wife, born Balscott, Oxfordshire;
[4] Mary Hill (30), domestic servant, born Tipton:

1891 Census
Pinfold Street – ACORN INN
[3] Gertrude F. Watkins (4 months), daughter, born Bilston:

1901 Census
7, Pinfold Street – ACORN INN
[1] William Millington (31), licensed victualler, born Bloxwich;
[2] Louisa Emma Millington (38), wife, born Worcester;
[3] Lawrence Edwin Winwood (6), nephew, born Worcester:

1911 Census
Pinfold Street – ACORN INN
[2] Elizabeth Smith (50), wife, married 29 years, born Sedgley;
[3] Agnes Smith (28), daughter, domestic, born Sedgley;
[6] Margaret Smith (20), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] John Smith (17), son, carpenter, born Bilston:

Closed
It was demolished circa 1970.
ADMIRAL NELSON
Ettingshall Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Benjamin Butler  [1828] – [1842]

NOTES

1841 Census
Ettingshall Lane
[1] Benjamin Butler (70), coal miner, born Staffordshire;
[2] Roda Butler (45), born Staffordshire;
[3] Harriet Butler (15), born Staffordshire;
[4] Isaiah Butler (11), born Staffordshire:
ANCHOR

Crossley Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Caswell  [1841] – [1842]
ANGEL
28, Hall Fold, (28, Hall Street), (22, Pipes Meadow), BILSTON

OWNERS
Thomas William Bowen, pawnbroker, West Street, Bilston
John William Hall, gentleman, Bilston

LICENSEES
John Bowen  [1818] – [1830]
Thomas Bowen  [1833] – [1851]
James Elkington  [1858] – [1865]
John Richards  [1871] – [1874];
Simeon Cooke Tippetts  [];
John Smith  [] – 18__);
Thomas Crowder  (18__ – [];
John Crowder  [];
Francis Fletcher  [1881];
Charles Calloway  [] – 188__);
John Bellis  (188_ – [1884];
Arthur Clarke  [];
Thomas Price  [];
Thomas Tetley  [] – 188__);
Edwin Burgess  (188_ – 1892):

NOTES
Hall Fold  [1818], [1841], [1874], [1884]
Hall Street  [1822], [1828], [1830], [1833], [1849], [1850], [1858]
28, Hall Fold  [1861], [1881]
28, Hall Street  [1865]
22, Pipes Meadow  [1873]

It was situated near to the Great Western Railway Station.

[Was this at the corner of Hall Street and Pipes Meadow?]

Freeman’s Black Country Folk
‘An Early Bilston Artist’
“…..These men had an Artists’ Club which met for some years at the ANGEL INN, where all things of their craft were freely discussed in a genial atmosphere…..”

John Bowen was also a brassfounder.  [1818]
He was also described as a grocer.

Thomas Bowen was also a shopkeeper.  [1845], [1849]
He was described as a provision dealer.  [1851]
James Elkington, beer retailer and provision dealer, Hall Street.  [1861]

1861 Census
28, Hall Fold – ANGEL INN
[5] Frederick Elkington (15), son, scholar, born Southam, Warwickshire;
[9] Isabella A. Hackforth (24), visitor, born Southam, Warwickshire;
[10] Mary Weaver (15), general servant, born Bilston:

James Elkington was described as also being a shopkeeper.  [1864], [1865]

1871 Census
Hall Fold – ANGEL INN
[1] John Richards (35), innkeeper employing one man, born Bilston;
[2] Maria Richards (33), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Clara Richards (10), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah Ann Richards (8), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Amelia Richards (2), daughter, born Bilston:

1881 Census
28, Hall Fold – ANGEL INN
[1] Francis Fletcher (34), shearer (iron works) and publican, born Bilston;
[2] Edith C. Fletcher (34), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Thomas Fletcher (13), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Frank Fletcher (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Bernard T. Fletcher (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Charles A. Fletcher (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Harry Fletcher (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Betsy Bridge (15), general servant, born Bilston;
[10] George Hamilton (48), lodger, comedian, born London:

1891 Census
Hall Fold – ANGEL INN
[1] Edwin Burgess (50), licensed victualler, born Macclesfield;
[2] Mary Burgess (50), wife, born Coventry;
[3] Rosa Mary Burgess (17), daughter, born Crewe;
[6] Henrietta Burgess (9), daughter, born Stafford:

The license was not taken out by the owner on 26th August 1892.
ANGEL

400, Bilston Road, (Wolverhampton Road), (Wellington Road), Priestfield, (New Village), (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

John Walker, factor, Birmingham
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mrs. Sarah Walker  [1845] – [1858]
Edward Walker    [1861] – [1870]
Mrs. Mary Pyatt    [1871] – 1881);
John Northwood    (1881 – 1883);
Samuel Webb    (1883 – 1897);
George Howard Willetts (1897 – 1900);
Leighton Scriven    (1900 – 1916);
Charles Hulse    (1916 – 1921);
John Mason    (1921 – 1931);
Thomas Picken    (1931 – [1938]
A S Chopra    [1983]
Bahader Singh Shergill    [2005]

NOTES

Wolverhampton Road  [1845], [1851], [1854], [1861], [1881], [1892], [1901], [1916], [1921], [1983]
New Village    [1858]
Wellington Road    [1873]
Bilston Road    [1872], [1873]
400, Bilston Road    [2005]

1851 Census
Wolverhampton Road
[1] Sarah Walker (64), widow, innkeeper, born Leicestershire;
[3] Elizabeth Walker (28), daughter, home, born Wolverhampton;
[4] William Walker (22), son, factor’s clerk, born Wolverhampton:

1861 Census
Wolverhampton Road
[1] Edward Walker (42), unmarried, victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Elizabeth Walker (37), sister, born Wolverhampton:

1871 Census
Bilston Road
[1] Mary Pyatt (50), widow, publican, born Willenhall;
[3] Mary Pyatt (17), daughter, born Wolverhampton:
1881 Census
Wolverhampton Road – ANGEL INN
[2] Sarah Northwood (50), wife, born Kinton, Herefordshire;
[3] Ann Griffiths (64), sister, widow, assistant in house, born Bli___, Staffordshire:

1891 Census
Wolverhampton Road – ANGEL INN
[1] Samuel Webb (39), innkeeper, aerated water manufacturer, born Tipton;
[4] Edith Webb (4), daughter, born Bilston:

Samuel Webb also manufactured mineral water. [1892]

Pride of Priestfield Sick and Benefit Society held its first annual dinner here in July 1899.

1901 Census
Wolverhampton Road – ANGEL INN
[1] Leighton Scriven (43), licensed victualler, born Brierley Hill;
[2] Elizabeth Scriven (40), wife, born Wednesfield;
[3] Elizabeth Lewis (62), mother, widow, living on means, born Birmingham:

1911 Census
Wolverhampton Road – ANGEL INN
[1] Leighton Scriven (53), licensed victualler, born Brierley Hill;
[2] Elizabeth Scriven (50), wife, married 10 years, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Elizabeth Lewis (77), mother, widow, born Birmingham:

Charles Hulse was fined £1 and costs, on 5th May 1916, for selling beer exceeding measure called for. [2012]
BALL COURT

1, Stafford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mrs. Fanny Eyre, Elmswood, Penn Road, Wolverhampton

LICENSEES

John Wallett [1854] – [1858]
George Reay [1861]
John Smith [1864] – [1871]
Reuben Lawrence [1872] – 1874);
Ann Lawrence (1874 – 1875);
Ann Rogers (1875 – 1876);
William Jones (1876 – 1877);
John Jones (1877);
Thomas Prime (1877 – 1884);
Walter Ray Campbell (1884 – 1886);
John Gardiner (1886 – 1888);
William Edwards (1888 – 1889);
Thomas Jones (1889 – 1890);

NOTES

The first gaol in the town was the building in Stafford Street, known as the BALL COURT INN.

Freeman's Black Country Folk
‘The Ropers...Brawny Miners’
“When the police force was first installed in Bilston, the headquarters were in the BALL COURT INN.....”

1861 Census

1, Stafford Street
[1] George Reay (46), publican, born Great Haywood, Staffordshire;
[5] Eliza Kent (5), stepdaughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton:

1871 Census

1, Stafford Street
[1] John Smith (60), victualler employing 1 man, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Smith (57), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Charles Smith (24), son, professor of music, born Bilston;
[4] Margaret Smith (19), daughter, victualler’s assistant, born Bilston;
[5] Lucy Smith (17), daughter, victualler’s assistant, born Bilston;
[8] Patrick Cunane (31), brewer, born Mayo, Ireland;
[9] Sarah Jones (18), general servant, born Portobello:
“A young man named William Worton was brought up in custody charged with having been drunk and assaulting Police-constable Wiley. The constable stated that on the previous Saturday night, at 10 o’clock, he was sent for to the BALL COURT INN, Stafford Street. On going to that place he saw the prisoner, who was stripped to the shirt, and was fighting with another man. He was bleeding from the nose, and was like a mad-man. At the request of the landlady, witness proceeded to put him out of the house, but as soon as witness took hold of him, he (prisoner) struck him on the mouth. Police-constable Smith came to his assistance, and they got the prisoner to the station. Ann Lawrence, the landlady of the house, was then charged with permitting drunkenness in her house … the Stipendiary ordered the defendant to pay the costs. With reference to the charges against Worton, he was fined 10s 6d for the drunkenness, and 20s for the assault on the policeman, with the alternative of three weeks’ residence at Stafford.”

1881 Census
1, Stafford Street – BALL COURT INN
[3] Alice Rawson (14), general servant, born Bilston;
[6] Charles Crilley (38), lodger, tinner, born Bristol:

Thomas Jones was fined £10 and costs, on 8th August 1890, for four cases of using the house for betting purposes.

The license renewal was refused at the General Annual Licensing Meeting on 22nd August 1890.
**BALLOON**

2, (83), High Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Henry Willcock  
Frederick Warren, pork butcher, High Street, Bilston  
The Breweries’ Investment Cooperative Ltd., Bilston  
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd.  
Ind Coope and Allsopp (leased)  
Ansells Ltd.  
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Benjamin Willetts [1818] – [1835]  
Mrs. Jemima Willetts [1841] – [1849]  
William Darby [1851]  
Richard Sale [1861] – [1870]  
Mrs. Mary Sale [1871] – [1878];  
Ellen Hannah Crump (1878 – 1880);  
Henry Willcock (1880 – 1882);  
Robert Lowe [1881] manager  
Benjamin More [1882] manager  
Robert Alfred Willcock and Henry Willcock (1882);  
Robert Hunt (1882 – 1885);  
Joseph Linforth (1885 – 1894);  
John James Green (1894);  
Joseph Bennett (1894 – 1895);  
Alfred Walters (1895 – 1925);  
Robert Joseph Broderick (1925);  
Elijah Stott (1925 – 1939);  
David Adamson (1939 – [1940]

**NOTES**

83, High Street [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1871], [1881], [1891], [1896], [1904]  
2, High Street [1901], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1980]

AIR BALLOON [1818]  
BALOON [1871]

It had a six day license.

*Benjamin Willetts* = Benjamin Willatts = Benjamin Willis

*Benjamin Willatts* was also a carrier to Birmingham. [1818]

He was a carrier to Birmingham, Tipton, Wednesbury, Albrighton, Newport, Market Drayton, Whitchurch, Chester and Liverpool, every Tuesday and Friday. [1833]
1861 Census
83, High Street
[1] Richard Sale (42), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[5] Emily C. Sale (15), daughter;
[6] Alice Muriel Sale (10);
[8] Ellen Blaney, servant:
[Much of this entry is obliterated.]

1871 Census
83, High Street – BALLOON INN
[1] Mary Sale (59), widow, innkeeper, born Newport, Shropshire;
[2] Ellen H. Sale (36), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[4] Albert E. Jackson (17), nephew, clerk in iron works, born Newport, Shropshire;
[5] Annie Painter (38), servant, born Ackleton, Shropshire;
[6] Louisa Piper (21), servant, born Sutton, Shropshire:
[Ackleton is about 5 miles NE of Bridgnorth.]
[There are at least 3 Suttions in Shropshire.]
Mary Sale died on 27th July 1878.
A seven day license was granted on 19th September 1879.

1881 Census
83, High Street – BALLOON INN
[1] Robert Lowe (35), manager of vaults, born Brewood;
[3] Helen Harley (18), wife’s sister, born Glascwm, Radnorshire;
[5] Ernest Lowe (1 month), son, born Bilston;
[6] Caroline Ellum (17), general servant, born Wolverhampton:
[Glascwm is about 8 miles ENE of Builth Wells.]

Evening Star 7/2/1882
“Henry Willcock, proprietor of the BALLOON INN, High Street, Bilston, was charged with harbouring a policeman, and unlawfully supplying him with beer at ten minutes past one on Wednesday morning, the 25th ult.
It appeared that the house was managed by a man named Benjamin More, who committed the offence complained of. The case was not fully gone into, Mr. Chief Superintendent Longdon intimating that he would be satisfied with a fine.
A fine of 20s and costs was imposed.”

Henry Willcock died in 1882.
Joseph Linforth = Joseph Linforth

1891 Census
83, High Street – BALLOON INN
[1] Joseph Linforth (37), widower, public house manager, born Philadelphia, America (British subject);
[2] Angela Linforth (20), sister, barmaid, born Willenhall;
[3] Mary T. Linforth (11), daughter, scholar, born Wednesfield;
[4] Agnes M. Linforth (7), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Annie Dyke (19), general servant, born Moseley Village:

1901 Census
2, High Street – BALLOON INN
[1] Alfred Walters (57), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Edith Walters (16), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Nellie Walters (13), daughter, born Heath Town;
[6] Annie Delany (19), general servant, born Bilston:

1911 Census
2, High Street
[1] Alfred Walters (67), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Walters (51), wife, born Birmingham;
[4] Edith Walters (26), daughter, born Bilston:

It closed in June 1987.
The premises became a burger bar.
BARLEY MOW
Ettingshall Lane, Monmore Green, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Thomas Royster  [1833] – [1834]

NOTES
The Hell Lane Gang met here occasionally.
BARLEY MOW

Mill Street, (Mill Lane), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Wilkes  [1818]
Richard Hickin  [1822] – [1830]

NOTES

Mill Lane  [1818], [1822]
Mill Street  [1830]

Check Miller Street
BARLEY MOW

Miller Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Cadman [1867]

NOTES

Check Mill Street.
BARLEY MOW

179, (84), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mrs. Dean, widow, Upper Dean Street, Birmingham
Robert Burtles, whip manufacturer
Edward Jones, beerhouse keeper, Bilston
Richard Sidney Wilson, maltster, Ackleton
Emily Lashford, brewer, Willenhall
Truman, Hanbury, Buxton and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Rebecca Jones  [1858] – [1861]
Abraham Lunn  [1865] – 1873);
Mary Lunn  (1873 – 1876);  
Joseph Morris  (1876 – 1881);
George Price  (1881 – 1886);
Edward Jones  (1886 – 1897);
Joseph William Garratt  (1897 – 1900);
Cornelius Southan  (1900);
William Huband  (1900 – 1903);
Thomas Cook  (1903 – 1910);
Miss Sarah Hughes  (1910 – 1921);
Alfred Henry Shaw  (1921 – 1923);
Bert Weare  (1923 – 1927);
Daniel Evans  (1927 – 1932);
William Randall  (1932 – 1934);
Thomas Dimmock  (1934 – [1940]

NOTES

84, Oxford Street  [1861], [1865], [1871], [1873], [1881], [1891]
179, Oxford Street  [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

R. Jones, beerhouse, 84, Oxford Street.  [1858]

1861 Census

84, Oxford Street – Beer House
[1] Rebecca Jones (62), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Darlaston;
[2] Eliza Jones (22), daughter, born Walsall;
[3] Benjamin Pitcher (30), lodger, born Tamworth:
Abraham Lunn, beer retailer, 84, Oxford Street.  [1865]

1871 Census
84, Oxford Street
[1] Abraham Lunn (57), master publican, born Darlaston;
[5] Emma Lunn (21), daughter, born Darlaston:

Abraham Lunn died in 1873.

1881 Census
84, Oxford Street – BARLEY MOW
[1] Joseph Morris (35), ironworker puddler and publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Amelia Morris (36), wife, born Darlaston;
[4] Emily F. Morris (4), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

1891 Census
84, Oxford Street – BARLEY MOW INN
[1] Edward Jones (37), iron worker, born Sedgley;
[6] Blanche H. Jones (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] George Jones (6), son, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[8] Elizabeth Jones (4), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[10] Minnie Jones (1), daughter, born Bilston:

Edward Jones, beer retailer, 84, Oxford Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
Oxford Street – BARLEY MOW
[1] William Huband (27), publican, born Darlaston;
[2] Mary Huband (28), wife, born Bilston:

Thomas Cook, beer retailer, 179, Oxford Street.  [1904]

Sarah Hughes was also a brewer.  [1914]

Auction Catalogue (Alfred W. Dando & Co. Ltd.) 2nd June 1915
“…..As let on short tenancy at a rental of £36 0s 0d per annum. The capital modern, compact, well-frequented Home-Brewing Public House and Premises situate on the main road with a large passing traffic, and containing spacious Vaults with outdoor department 20’ x 14’, Smoke Room at back with side entrance, Club Room 16’ 6” x 10’ 6”, Living Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and outer Wash-house, together with two-floor Brewery, large Yard and the usual Outbuildings.”

Daniel Evans was fined £7 plus £5 10s 0d costs, on 15th January 1932, for supplying beer during non-permitted hours.

Teams from here took part in the Bilston Crib League.  [1946]
BARLEY MOW
14, Union Street, BILSTON

OWNERS
Edwin Hickman, stone mason and quarry master, The Quarry, Bilston

LICENSEES
Richard Lee [1833] – [1834]
John North [1835]
James Taylor [1841] – [1842]
David Cooksey [1851]
Joseph Johnson [1858]
Ann Johnson [1861]
John Cadman [1873] – 1891

NOTES
OLD BARLEY MOW [1833], [1834]

1851 Census
Union Street
[1] David Cooksey (32), publican, born Tipton;
[3] Martha Cooksey (8), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Sarah Cooksey (2 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Mary Ann Perry (15), house servant, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census
14, Union Street – BARLEY MOW
[1] Joseph Johnson (40), brass caster, born Swindon, Staffordshire;
[2] Ann Johnson (38), wife, publick beer shop, born Bilston;
[3] Thomas Johnson (13), son, born Bilston;
[4] Ann Maria Johnson (11), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Joseph Johnson (10), son, born Wordsley;
[6] Henry Johnson (8), son, born Wordsley;
[7] Elizabeth Johnson (7), daughter, born Wordsley;
[8] Sarah Johnson (5), daughter, born Wordsley;
[9] Fanny Johnson (3), daughter, born Bilston;
[10] Martha Johnson (6 months), daughter, born Bilston:

License renewal refused at Licensing Meeting 21st August 1891.
BARLEY MOW

Priestfield, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Cooper  [1845] – [1850]

NOTES

Check Bilston Street, Wolverhampton.
BARREL

21, (2), Chell Street, Bradley, (Brierley), (Daisy Bank), BILSTON

OWNERS

Jonathan Chell Wright
Elizabeth Ann Wright

LICENSEES

Jonathan Chell Wright [1873 – 1876];
Elizabeth Ann Wright (1876 – 1879);
Walter Henry Wheeler (1879 – 1882);
George Thomas Simkin (1882 – 1884);
Alfred Job (1884 – 1887);
Harriet Job (1887 – 1888);
William Henry Hemming (1888);
Thomas Paul (1888 – 1907);
George Hassell (1907 – 1908);
William Garbett (1908);

NOTES

21, Chell Street [1901]
2, Chell Street [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

Jonathan Chell Wright died on 21st August 1876.

George Thomas Simkin was also a safe maker.

1891 Census

20+21 Chell Street
[2] Eliza Paul (38), wife, born West Bromwich;
[4] Florence Paul (23), daughter, general servant, born Sedgley;
[6] Elizabeth A. Paul (14), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
[7] Sampson Paul (8), son, scholar, born Sedgley;
[8] Sarah A. Paul (2), daughter, born Sedgley;
[9] Selina Paul (3 months), daughter, born Sedgley;
[10] Alexander Paul (22), son, iron worker, born Sedgley:

Thomas Paul, beer retailer, 2, Chell Street, Bradley. [1896], [1904]
1901 Census
21, Chell Street, Brierley

[2] Eliza Paul (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Sampson Paul (18), son, puddler, born Sedgley;
[5] Selina Paul (10), daughter, born Sedgley:

*Thomas Paul* – see also ROYAL OAK, Hall Street.

It was referred to the Compensation Authority in February 1908.
The license was refused by the Compensation Authority on 18th June 1908.
Compensation of £260 was paid on 30th November 1908.
BARREL VAULTS

40, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Lewis, iron merchant, Pennfields, Wolverhampton
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1904]

LICENSEES

Joseph Butler  [ ] – 1873);
John Harriman  (1873 – 1880);
George Millard  (1880 – 1881);
Edward Bolewell  (1881);
William Edwards  (1881 – 1886);
Samuel Mason  (1886);
William Morris  (1886 – 1895);
Frederick William Plant  (1895 – 1906);
William Edwin Carter  (1906);
Sarah Gough  (1906 – 1909);
Frederick William Plant  (1909);
Thomas Davies  (1909 – 1910):

NOTES

It was originally known as the BOARD.   [1873]

1871 Census
40, Church Street – wine and spirit vaults
Unoccupied

1881 Census
40, Church Street – BARRELL
[1] George Millard (36), publican, born Evershall, Bedfordshire;
[2] Elizabeth Millard (34), wife, born London;
[3] Laura Millard (8), daughter, scholar, born Walsall;
[4] Mary Hudson (21), general servant, born Coseley:

George Millard – see also SPREAD EAGLE and LION.

1891 Census
40, Church Street
[1] William Morris (37), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Mary A. E. Morris (34), wife, born Much Wenlock;
[5] Leonard Morris (7 weeks), son, born Bilston;
[6] Elizabeth Tonks (20), general servant, born Coseley:
The license was surrendered on the granting of an off beer license in Green Lanes, Bilston. The house closed on 2nd May 1910.

Check OLD MALT SHOVEL
BARREL

4, Mill Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Amelia Radford
Robert Radford
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Robert Radford (1865 – 1885);
George Price [1881] manager
Edmund Roderick (1885 – 1887);
George Price (1887 – 1898);
Mrs. Elizabeth Price (1898 – 1934);
Mrs. Sarah Harriet Walker (1934 – 1940)
Edmunds [ ]
D Lancey [1976]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Robert Radford, beer retailer, Mill Street. [1865]

1871 Census

Mill Street
[1] Robert Radford (46), licensed retail brewer, born Staffordshire;
[2] Amelia Radford (45), wife, born Brewood;
[4] Henry Radford (17), nephew, brewer’s assistant, born Wolverhampton:

1881 Census

Mill Street – BARREL INN
[1] George Price (34), public house manager, born Droitwich;
[4] Elizabeth Price (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Minnie Price (2), daughter, born Bilston:
1891 Census
Mill Street – Public House
[1] George Price (43), publican, born Droitwich;
[2] Elizabeth Price (41), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Price (17), daughter, boot stitcher, born Bilston;
[6] George Price (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] baby Price (4 days), daughter, born Bilston;
[10] Sarah Douglas (45), charwoman, born Droitwich:

George Price brewed his own beer.

1901 Census
4, Mill Street
[1] Elizabeth Price (52), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[4] Arthur Price (16), son, tube worker, born Bilston:

Mrs. Elizabeth Price, beer retailer, Mill Street.  [1904]
Mrs. Elizabeth Price, beer retailer, 4, Mill Street.  [1912]

Elizabeth Price died in 1934.

[1983]

It closed in the 1980’s
It was demolished in 1987.
BARREL

47, (25), Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Samuel Lane, blacksmith, Whitmore Reans, Wolverhampton
Mrs. Theodosia Torr, wife of licensee
John Pritchard, The Brewery, Darlaston

LICENSEES

Thomas Holmes [1851] – [1858]
Edmund Holmes [1861]
Samuel Lane [1864] – [1865]
John Murphy [1867]
John Venton [1868]
Joseph Shale [1871] – 1881);
Mary Shale (1881 – 1885);
Job Ecclestone Jr. (1885);
William Waldron (1885);
Richard Kinsey (1885 – 1886);
Thomas Pyatt (1886 – 1887);
John Henry Pitt (1887 – 1891);
Samuel Salt (1891);
William Bowater Flavell (1891 – 1893);
Joseph Torr (1893 – 1909);
Edward Richards (1909);
William Wood Duley (1909 – 1913);
William Butler Slater (1913 – 1914);
Alfred Dean (1914 – 1915);
Joseph Blakemore (1915 – 1927);
Frank William Roberts (1927 – 1933);
Jesse Hart (1933 – 1936);
William Porter (1936 – [1940]

NOTES

25, Temple Street [1861], [1871], [1881]
47, Temple Street [1912]

BARRELL [1864], [1865], [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

*Thomas Holmes* was also a mill screw manufacturer and engineer. [1851], [1854]
1861 Census
25, Temple Street
[1] Mary Ann Holmes (48), widow, born Wheaton Aston, Staffordshire
[2] Edmund Holmes (24), son, mechanical draughtsman and publican, born Bilston;
[4] Mary J. Holmes (13), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Ellen Holmes (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Eliza Sansom (24), cousin, barmaid, born Bilston:

The license of John Murphy was suspended altogether in 1867, “having been so many times fined”. It was renewed in October 1867.

John Venton, beer retailer, 25, Temple Street. [1868]

1871 Census
25, Temple Street
[1] Joseph Shale (55), retail brewer, born Bilston;
[5] Sarah Shale (25), daughter, dress maker, born Bilston;
[8] Elizabeth Shale (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

Joseph Shale died on 24th January 1881.

1881 Census
25, Temple Street – BARREL INN
[1] Mary Shale (64), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[3] Benjamin Shale (38), son, carpenter, born Bilston;
[7] William Williams (7), grandson, scholar, born Bilston:

1891 Census
25, Temple Street – BARREL INN
[1] Samuel Salt (29), innkeeper and brewer, born Tipton;
[2] Margaret Salt (34), wife, born Runcorn, Cheshire;
[4] Jane Grinsell (16), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
Temple Street – BARRELL INN
[3] Sylvania S. Lane (19), stepdaughter, domestic servant, born Hagley;
[4] Daisy Lane (16), stepdaughter, domestic servant, born Tettenhall:
1911 Census
Temple Street – BARREL INN
[2] Annie Elizabeth Duley (36), wife, born Darlaston:

William W. Duley, beer retailer, 47, Temple Street. [1912]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 20/10/1928
“Before Messrs. E. Hickman, T. H. Wilson and M. Wilks, at the Bilston Police Court, yesterday, Frank Roberts, licensee of the BARREL INN, Temple Street, Bilston was summoned for allowing a child under 14 to be in the bar, and Jane Pitt, Warwick Street, was summoned for causing the child to be there.
It was alleged that at 8.50 on the night of October 13th the female defendant was seen sitting in the taproom nursing a three-year old child. When spoken to, Roberts said he did not know the child was there.
Supt. Young said he had no desire to press the charge. He had brought the case as a warning to others. There was no doubt there was a practice of taking children into public houses, and it should be stopped.
Each defendant was fined 10s.”
BEEHIVE

Shambos Lane, Highfields Bridge, Bradley, (Highfields), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Mrs. Phoebe Light [1861]
George Leadbetter [1864] – 1869);
John Light (1869 – [])

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
Shambos Lane – BEE HIVE INN
[1] Phoebe Light (64), widow, victualler, born Staffordshire;
[2] Mary Elizabeth Shepard (24), servant, born Wellington, Shropshire:

Mrs. Phoebe Light, beer retailer, Highfields. [1868]?

Closed
BELL

Wolverhampton Street, (Wolverhampton Road), BILSTON

OWNERS

Richard Atkins, licensed victualler, Bilston

LICENSEES

James Atherton  [1828] – [1830]
Thomas Purslow  [1833] – [1835]
Thomas Smith  [1841]
John Smith  [1842] – [1850]
Mrs. Jane Smith  [1851] – [1861]
Joseph Barker  [1868] – [1873];
Ephraim William Hyde  (1873 – 1874);
James Lawley  (1874 – 1876);
Alfred Lambden  (1876 – [ ])

NOTES

BLUE BELL  [1828], [1830], [1835], [1841], [1842], [1851], [1854], [1858]
BELL  [1845], [1850], [1851], [1870], [1873]

John Smith was also a fruiterer.  [1845], [1849], [1850]

1851 Census
Wolverhampton Street
[1] Jane Smith (59), widow, victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Hannah Merricks (18), house servant, born Tettenhall;
[4] Eliza Leakin (34), born Bilston;
[5] Mary Leakin (10), born Scotland;

1861 Census
Wolverhampton Street – BELL Beer House
[1] Jane Smith (53), widow, licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Ann Robins (19), servant, born Bilston:
[It appears that Jane got younger!]

The license was abandoned pre 1903.
**BELL**

11, (7), Wood Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Major George Cox, brewer, Bilston
Harmer and Co. Ltd. (leased)

**LICENSEES**

Thomas Riley [1865]
Emily Gregory [1871]
John Kenton [1873] – [1874];
Thomas Prime [1874 – 1877];
Elizabeth Baxter [1877];
Thomas Cockayne [1877 – 1898];
George Fox [1898 – 1899];
Henry Colbourn Rollason [1899];
Joseph Ragley [1899 – 1901];
Mrs. Fanny Smith [1901 – 1918];
George Smith [1901] ?

**NOTES**

7, Wood Street [1871], [1891]
11, Wood Street [1904], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

*Thomas Riley, joiner, builder, funeral carriage proprietor, and beer retailer, 7, Wood Street. [1865]*

**1871 Census**

7, Wood Street – BELL INN
[1] Emily Gregory (30), widow, innkeeper, born Sedgley;
[3] Charles Gregory (22), lodger, coal miner, born Stoke, Somersetshire;
[5] Ann Gregory (6 months), daughter, born Bilston:

**Midland Counties Evening Express 26/2/1875**

“*Thomas Prime, beerhouse keeper, Wood Street, was summoned for permitting drunkenness on his premises ….. The defendant was fined 20s and costs, the conviction not to be endorsed on his license.*”
1881 Census
Wood Street – BELL INN
[1] Thomas Cockayne (41), beer seller, born Bilston;
[2] Mary Jane Cockayne (42), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Harriet Palmer (17), servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
7, Wood Street
[1] Thomas Cockayne (51), beer retailer, born Bilston;
[3] Alice Riley (15), general servant, born Tipton:

Thomas Cockayne, beer retailer, Wood Street. [1896]

1901 Census
Wood Street – BELL INN
[1] George Smith (30), licensed victualler and labourer at brewery, born Bilston;
[2] Frances Smith (28), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Florence Beckett (16), sister in law, barmaid, born Bilston:

Mrs. Fanny Smith, beer retailer, 11, Wood Street. [1904], [1912]

1911 Census
11, Wood Street
[1] George Smith (41), drayman, born Bilston;
[2] Fanny Smith (38), wife, married 15 years, [carrying on a trade] at home, born Bilston;
[4] Violet Smith (8), daughter, born Bilston:

License refused by Compensation Authority on 12th October 1918.
Compensation of £300 was paid on 21st December 1918.
BIG COAL

Pinfold Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Phoebe Thompson  [1818]
John Lawley   [1822] – [1835]
BIRD IN HAND

102, (37), High Street / Coseley Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

Charlotte Cadman
Joseph Parker
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1904]

LICENSEES

Edward Fawzbrook [1818]
William Grayer [1818] – [1822]
William Naginton [1828] – [1830]
Ann Grayer [1833] – [1835]
Joseph Fletcher [1845] – [1851]
James Cadman [1858] – [1865]
Mrs. Charlotte Cadman [1868] – 1890;
Joseph Millington (1890);
John Thomas Chew (1890 – 1892);
Ann Grayer [1892] (℅)
Joseph Parker (1892 – 1903);
William Charles Cole (1903 – 1922);
Enos Graham Elesmore (1922 – 1927);
Arthur Wakelam (1927 – 1929);
Arthur Frank Collins (1929 – 1946)
Eric Page [1950’s]

NOTES

37, High Street [1858], [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1873], [1874], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900]
102, High Street [1916], [1932], [1940]

OLD BIRD IN HAND [1818], [1828], [1830], [1834], [1835], [1842], [1845], [1849], [1851], [1870], [1874]

BIRD IN HAND [1818 – Wm. Grayer], [1871], [1881], [1903]
PHEASANT [1873]

It had a six day license.

It was used for an inquest.
1861 Census
37, High Street
[1] James Cadman (52), coal miner and victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Charlotte Cadman (43), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Alice Cadman (20), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Louisa Cadman (14), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Sophia Cadman (13), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

1871 Census
37, High Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] Charlotte Cadman (53), widow, licensed victualler employing one assistant, born Bilston;
[4] Amelia Griffiths (19), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Ann Grayer = Ann Grayner

1881 Census
37, High Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] Charlotte Cadman (63), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Simeon Rock (47), son in law, iron roller (employing 5 men and 6 boys), born Darlaston;
[6] Sophia Hammond (33), daughter, grocer’s wife, born Bilston;
[8] Albert Hammond (8), grandson, scholar born U.S.A.;

A seven day license was granted on 28th September 1883.

Charlotte Cadman died on 5th February 1890.

Joseph Millington was the sole executor of Charlotte Cadman.

1891 Census
37, High Street – BIRD IN HAND
[2] Emma Chew (27), wife, born St, Johns, Newfoundland, Canada;
[5] Susan A. Johnson (16), domestic servant, born Bilston:
Bilston and Willenhall Times 18/5/1946
“For selling intoxicants without a license at a dance at Bilston Town Hall on April 23rd, Arthur Frank Collins, licensee of the BIRD IN HAND, High Street, Bilston, was at Bilston, on Friday, fined £5, with £1 12s special costs. A summons against Mrs. Collins for aiding and abetting was dismissed. Superintendent S. Cresswell explained that Mr. Collins had made many applications for occasional licenses at dances, and had carried on his public house in an exemplary manner since 1929. On the date in question PS Lovatt went to the Town Hall, and on asking to see the Justice’s license Mrs. Collins explained that they could not find it. Later Mr. Collins was seen, and he said that on the previous Sunday night he discovered that no license had been obtained for the Tuesday night, although they had one for the previous night. Mr. F. M. Slater, for the defence, said that both Mr. and Mrs. Collins regretted the offence, which was due entirely to an oversight.”

Black Country Bugle 5/4/2001 - Letter from Peter Morrey
This claims that Arthur and Daisy Collins were tenants from 1945 to 1955. (?)

Black Country Bugle 26/4/2001
Letter from Marie Thompson
“Many years ago when I was about 8/9 years old, my parents Tom and Daisy Bailey used the pub regularly. My dad used the bar and my mom sat with me in the children’s room with the other mothers. One of my great pleasures was to go out to the back yard and scratch the pigs and, being naughty with the other children, would make the geese squawk…..”

Eric Page was married to Rose.

It closed circa 1970.
It was demolished circa 1983.
BIRD IN HAND

42, Hill Street, (44, Hall Street), (Hallfields), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Simon Talbot, bricklayer, Ardwick, Manchester
John Roberts, charter master, Bilston
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Bradley   [1861]
James Smith   [1871] – 1885);
Sarah Smith   (1885);
Thomas Hampton   (1885 – 1891);
John Emanuel Roberts   (1891 – 1893);
Henry Moreton   (1893);
Mrs. Mary Jane Lucas   (1893 – 1905);
George William Lucas   (1905 – 1907);
Mary Jane Lucas   (1907 – 1909);
Arthur Fieldhouse   (1909 – 1910);
Elizabeth Davies   (1910);
Arthur Fellows   (1910 – 1912);
John Thomas Reynolds   (1912 – 1915);
Mrs. Annie Ada Reynolds   (1915 – 1934);
Arthur Samuel Caddick   (1934 – 1935);
Albert Owen   (1935 – 1940)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

44, Hall Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] Thomas Bradley (72), publican, born Warwickshire;
[2] Elizabeth Bradley (66), wife, born Staffordshire;
[3] Elizabeth Rowland (36), daughter, born Staffordshire;
1871 Census
44, Hall Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] James Smith (44), publican, born Lapworth, Warwickshire;
[2] Sarah Smith (47), wife, born Solihull;
[4] Alice Smith (9), daughter, born Sedgley;
[5] Elizabeth Lear (20), general servant, born Bilston:
[Lapworth is about 5 miles SSE of Solihull.]

1881 Census
44, Hall Street – BIRD IN HAND
[2] Sarah Smith (57), wife, born Solihull;
[3] Alfred Smith (22), son, millman, born Bilston;
[4] Alice Smith (19), daughter, born Bilston:
James Smith died on 18th August 1885.

1891 Census
44, Hall Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] John E. Roberts (22), coal miner and publican, born Bilston;
[2] Louisa Roberts (22), wife, born Sheffield;
[3] Alice Smith (16), general servant, born Sedgley:

1901 Census
Hill Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] George Lucas (44), safe manufacturer, born Moseley, Warwickshire;
[4] Fred Lucas (14), son, safe maker, born Bradley;
[5] Sarah A. Lucas (22), daughter, born Bradley;
[6] Martha Stanford (15), domestic servant, born Bradley:
Mrs. Mary Jane Lucas, beer retailer, 42, Hill Street, Bradley. [1904]
John T. Reynolds, beer retailer, 42, Hill Street. [1912]
Annie Ada Reynolds was known as Ada.
A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]
It closed in July 2000.
It was demolished in October 2001.
BIRD IN HAND

34, (170), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Richard Smith, fishmonger, Bilston
Joseph Smith, fishmonger, Oxford Street, Bilston
Harold Smith, fishmonger, Oxford Street, Bilston

LICENSEES

John Firm  [1858] – [1865]
Mrs. Ellen Hawkswood  [1865]
Isaiah Sheldon  [1868]
Leah Baggot  [ ] – 1873);
Thomas Jones  (1873 – 1878);
William Raybould  (1878 – 1879);
Isaiah Kinsey  (1879 – 1897);
Sarah Ann Kinsey  (1897 – 1913):

NOTES

170, Oxford Street   [1861], [1891]
34, Oxford Street   [1901], [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
170, Oxford Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] John Firm (41), victualler, born Darlaston;
[2] Sarah Firm (39), wife, born Darlaston;
[3] Lidia Firm (17), daughter, scholar, born Darlaston;
[5] Elizabeth Firm (11), daughter, scholar, born Darlaston;
[6] Enoch Firm (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Enoch Smith (40), lodger, mine borer, born Darlaston:

John Firm, beer retailer, 170, Oxford Street.  [1858], [1865]
Ellen Hawkswood, beer retailer, 170, Oxford Street.  [1865]
[Both of the above appear in the same 1865 directory.]

Isaiah Sheldon, beer retailer, 170, Oxford Street.  [1868]
1891 Census
170, Oxford Street – BIRD IN HAND
[1] Isaiah Kinsey (58), publican, born Bilston;
[3] William Davies (13), grandson, scholar, born Bilston:

Sarah Kinsey was convicted on 29th August 1893 for permitting drunkenness.

Isaiah Kinsey, beer retailer, 170, Oxford Street. [1896]

1901 Census
34, Oxford Street
[2] William Davis (23), grandson, brewer, born Bilston;
[3] Mary Howell (17), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Mrs. Sarah Ann Kinsey, beer retailer, 34, Oxford Street. [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 24th July 1913.
Compensation of £300 was paid on 24th December 1913.
BIRD IN HAND

Wolverhampton Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Closed
BLACK BOY

15, Coseley Road, (12, (15), (11), Coseley Street), (Coseley Row), BILSTON

OWNERS

Mary Williams, widow, Union Street, Bilston
Edwin Hickman, stone quarry master, Union Street, Bilston
Thomas Billingham, innkeeper, Union Inn, Coseley Street, Bilston

LICENSEES

Joseph Bell  [1864] – [1867]
Jeremiah Sankey  [1868] – [1870]
Thomas Rowbotham  [1871] – 1880);
Mrs. Rosannah Rowbotham  (1880 – 1906);
Betsy Rowbotham  (1906 – 1910);
William Darby  (1910 – 1917);
William Henry Haynes  (1917 – 1920):

NOTES

Coseley Row
Coseley Street  [1868], [1881]
12, Coseley Street  [1871]
15, Coseley Road  [1904], [1912]
15, Coseley Street  [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Bell, beer retailer, Coseley Street.  [1864], [1865]

London Gazette 1/2/1870
Jeremiah Sankey, of the BLACK BOY INN, Coseley-street, Bilston, in the county of Stafford, of no occupation, formerly of the BLACK BOY INN, Coseley-street, Bilston aforesaid, Licensed Victualler, adjudicated bankrupt on the 1st day of November, 1869. An Order of Discharge was granted by the County Court of Staffordshire, holden at Wolverhampton, on the 27th day of January, 1870.

1871 Census
12, Coseley Street – BLK BOY
[1] Thomas Rowbotham (44), publican and farmer of 27 acres, born Upper Penn;
[2] Rosehannah Rowbotham (40), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Betsy Rowbotham (19), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Thomas Rowbotham (15), son, assistant on farm, born Upper Penn;
[5] Caroline Inskip (17), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Thomas Rowbotham died on 30th April 1880.
1881 Census
Coseley Street – BLACK BOY
[1] Rosannah Rowbotham (49), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[3] Thomas Rowbotham (25), son, farmer (28 acres), born Penn;
[4] Annie Proberts (14), domestic servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
Coseley Street – The BLACK BOY
[1] Rosanna Rowbotham (59), widow, beer seller, born Bilston:
[2] Betsy Rowbotham (37), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Thomas Rowbotham (35), son, brewer, born Penn;
[4] Sarah Proberts (18), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Mrs. Rosannah Rowbotham, beer retailer, 12, Coseley Street.  [1896]
Mrs. Rosannah Rowbotham, beer retailer, 15, Coseley Road.  [1904]

William Darby = William Darbey

1911 Census
15, Coseley Street – BLACK BOY
[2] Emma Darbey (43), wife, married 22 years, house duties, born Bilston;
[5] Alice May Darbey (16), daughter, milliner, born Bilston;
[6] Sarah Lamb (17), servant, general house work, born Sedgley:

William Darbey, beer retailer, 15, Coseley Road.  [1912]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 24th July 1919.
Compensation of £905 was paid on 24th December 1920.
The license was extinguished on 31st December 1920.

It was demolished
The site was occupied by Hazeldine Coaches  [1986]
BLACK HORSE

43, High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Richard Thompson, engineer, Wellington Street, Bilston
Emma Thompson, Wellington Street, Bilston
The Urban District Council of Bilston

LICENSEES

Ezekiel Morris [1818] – [1834]
Joseph Morris [1835]
Paul Glover [1841] – [1842]
John Ward [1845] – [1850]
John Moore [1849] – [1858]
Noah Halford [1861] – [1870]
Thomas Halford [1871] – 1875);
Eli Smith (1875 – 1876);
Alfred Joseph Townsend (1876 – 1878);
Elijah Price (1878);
William Henry Jones (1878 – 1879);
Elizabeth Hatton Ramsey (1879 – 188_);
William Henry Jones (188_ – 1881);
James Lawley (1881 – 1882);
Richard Johnson (1882 – 1886);
Mary Ann Richards (1886);
Thomas Planton (1886 – 1887);
Patrick Brady (1887);
Thomas Fox (1887 – 1890);
George Gilbert (1890 – 1891);
Arthur Hand (1891 – 1892);
Lewis Haynes (1892 – 1893);
Alice Mann (1893 – 1895);
John Whittle (1895);
Mark Robinson (1895 – 1896);
George Hassell (1896 – 1903);
Charles Pain [1904] ??

NOTES

Ezekiel Morris was also a horse dealer. [1818]

John Moore = John Moor

1861 Census

43, High Street
[1] Noah Halford (26), victualler, born Bilston:
[2] Harriet Halford (18), wife, born Bilston:
[3] Margaret Bilk (17), servant, born Bilston:
1871 Census
43, High Street – BLACK HORSE
[1] Thomas Halford (40), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Rebecca Halford (42), wife, born Tipton;
[3] Jemima Halford (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Mary Ann _____ (20), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Thomas Halford died in 1875.

Eli Smith married Thomas Halford’s widow.

1881 Census
43, High Street – The BLACK HORSE
[1] Helina (?) Jones (20), daughter, barmaid, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Harris (16), domestic servant, born Coseley:

Evening Star 24/2/1882
“Richard Kinsey and William Waldron, of Wolverhampton Street, Bilston, were charged with being drunk on licensed premises.
Mr. Fellows, of Bilston, defended and pleaded guilty.
Police-constable Moss, stated that about 12.20 on the evening of Saturday, the 11th inst, he was on duty with Police-constable Bentley in High Street, and saw the defendants come out of the BLACK HORSE, kept by James Lawley, drunk, and in company with their wives.
Each defendant was fined 20s and costs.”

Alice Mann was convicted on 18th December 1894, for permitting drunkenness.

1901 Census
High Street
[1] George Hassell (50), colliery engine driver and publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Mary Ann Hassell (50), wife, born Sedgley;
[4] George Hassell (22), son, engine driver loco, born Sedgley;
[6] Edith Hassell (17), daughter, born Sedgley;
[7] Amelia Hassell (15), daughter, born Sedgley:

Closed
The license was removed to the STAR INN, beerhouse, Lichfield Street, in 1903.
The house was pulled down.
**BLACK SWAN**

Swan Bank, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

**LICENSEES**

Joseph Hill  [1818]

**NOTES**

*Joseph Hill was also a bricklayer.*  [1818]
BLANKMAKERS ARMS

26, (55), Green Croft, (Green Acres), (Batch Croft), BILSTON

OWNERS

Evan Griffiths
William Halford
Joseph Whitehouse and Co., brewers, Talbot Brewery, Smethwick
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp (leased)

LICENSEES

William Parker [1861] – [1865]
Evan Griffiths [1868] – 1881;
Sarah Griffiths (1881 – 1884);
William Halford (1884 – 1885);
William Hartshorne (1885 – 1887);
Charles Henry Smith (1887);
John Francis Anderson (1887);
Thomas Wilkinson (1887 – 1888);
Thomas Alfred Holt (1888 – 1890);
William Edwin Cole (1890 – 1891);
Alfred Newton (1891 – 1892);
Henry Turchus [Tertius] Hodgkiss (1892 – 1897);
Albert Smith (1897 – 1898);
Alfred Richardson (1898);
Henry Insley (1898 – 1899);
Ogbert Charles Hackett (1899 – 1900);
John Henry Pitt (1900 – 1902);
Henry Tertius Hodgkiss (1902 – 1909);
John Bowen (1909 – 1911);
Henry Insley (1911 – 1912);
Benjamin Oldfield (1912 – 1916);
Henry Tertius Hodgkiss (1916 – 1922);
Albert Ernest Cranswick (1922 – 1923);
Harry Howell (1923 – 1926);
Mrs. Emily Jane (Batchford) Alger (1926 – [1940]

NOTES

55, Green Acres [1892]
55, Green Croft [1873], [1874], [1881]
26, Green Croft [1904], [1932], [1940]

BLANK MAKERS ARMS [1865], [1881]

It was known locally as “The Blank”. 
1861 Census
55, Green Croft – BLANK MAKERS ARMS
[3] Sarah Parker (16), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Eliza Clemson (34), visitor, born Bilston:

Evan Griffiths = Evan Griffith

1871 Census
55, Green Croft – BLANKMAKERS ARMS and shopping
[1] Evan Griffiths (31), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Griffiths (31), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah Griffiths (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Evan Griffiths (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Charles Henry Griffiths (4), son, scholar, born Bilston:

1881 Census
55, Green Croft – BLANK MAKERS ARMS
[1] Sarah Griffiths (40), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah H. Griffiths (20), daughter, born Bilston;
[3] Charles H. Griffiths (14), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Caddick (18), domestic servant, born Bilston;
[5] Sarah Haywood (61), widow, visitor, born Wellington, Shropshire:

1891 Census
55, Green Croft
[5] Emma Oakley (15), domestic servant, born Bloxwich:

Henry Hodgkiss, beer retailer, 55, Green Croft. [1896]

1901 Census
26, Green Croft
[2] Lydia Pitt (46), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Florence L. G. Pitt (7), daughter, born Wolverhampton:

Emily Jane Batchford married Robert Spencer Alger on 19th April 1927.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Charity Darts League. [1946]
A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]
It was the Winter training headquarters of Bilston Town FC. [c. 1950]

Closed
It was demolished circa 1965.
BLUE BALL

BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Lawrence  [1879]
BLUE BOAR

209, (98), Oxford Street, (Oxford Road), (New Town), BILSTON

OWNERS

B Woolley, ironfounder, Hill Top, West Bromwich
James Wilkinson, spirit merchant, Walsall
Mitchell and Co., Smethwick
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Cockayne   [1818]
James Hateley Francis   [1822] – [1835]
Joseph Hateley   [1845]
John Smith   [1849] – [1850]
Richard Oldacre   [1851]
John Cartwright   [1851]
Henry Male   [1854] – [1858]
Alfred Hammond   [1861]
David Riley   [1864] – [1870]
Mrs. Sarah Tonks   [1873] – 1875;
George Bolton   (1875 – 1888);
John Edwin Payne   (1888 – 1890);
Paul William Harvey   (1890);
Mrs. Ann Foster   (1890 – 1911);
William Edward Hazlehurst   (1911 – 1920);
Thomas William Moss   (1920 – 1929);
Isaac William Sharman   (1929 – 1933);
William Thomas Perrins   (1933 – 1940)
John Coleclough   [ ]

NOTES

New Town   [1818]
Oxford Road   [1822]
98, Oxford Street   [1858], [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1872], [1873], [1874], [1891], [1892], [1896]
209, Oxford Street   [1904], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1940]

It was also known as the BLUE PIG.

The cellar was cut into the coal face.
John Smith was also a brassfounder. [1849], [1850]

1861 Census
98, Oxford Street – BLUE BOAR
[1] Alfred Hammond (38), publican, born Albrighton;
[3] Elizabeth Hammond (14), daughter, scholar, born Hadley, Shropshire;
[4] Lucy Hammond (12), daughter, scholar, born Albrighton;
[5] Emma Hammond (6), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Emma Thomas (29), wife’s sister, cook, born Albrighton;
[8] Robert Wagstaff (38), lodger, saddler, born Nuneaton:

1871 Census
98, Oxford Street
[1] William Tonks (40), general dealer in coal, born Wellington, Shropshire;
[2] Sarah Tonks (40), wife, born Wellington, Shropshire;
[4] Lizzie J. Tonks (12), daughter, born Tipton;
[5] Keziah Tonks (6), daughter, born Ocker Hill;
[6] Thomas Harris (20), son in law, coal miner, born West Bromwich;
[7] Elizabeth Harris (18), wife, born Walsall:

George Bolton = George Boulton

1881 Census
Oxford Street – BLUE BOAR
[1] George Boulton (45), licensed victualler, born Amesbury, Gloucestershire;
[2] Anne Boulton (47), wife, born Bishops Wympton (?), Devon;
[3] Lavinia Parker (21), general servant, born Wednesbury:

1891 Census
98, Oxford Street – BOARS HEAD INN
[1] Ann Foster (47), widow, public house manageress, born Oldbury;
[3] Florence E. Foster (14), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick;
[4] Thomas Foster (11), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
[5] Phoebe Bonner (29), general servant, born Tipton:

1901 Census
Oxford Street – BLUE BOAR
[1] Ann Foster (54), widow, manageress of tavern, born Oldbury;
[4] Thomas Foster (21), son, hairdresser, born Oldbury:
**1911 Census**
Oxford Street – BLUE BOAR
[1] Ann Foster (60), widow, licensee, born Oldbury;
[2] Annie Foster (35), daughter, helper, born Oldbury;
[3] Thomas Foster (30), son, hairdresser, born Oldbury;
[4] Elizabeth Evans (23), servant, born Bilston:

*William Edward Hazlehurst = William Henry Hazlehurst*

*John Coleclough was married to Freda*

It was demolished circa 1965.
ODYSSEY built in its place.
BOAR

41, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edward Peters  [1858]
BOARD

49, (29), Church Street / Greencroft, BILSTON

OWNERS

Alexander Perry Law, gentleman, Wellington Road, Bilston
Bass, Ratcliff and Gretton Ltd.
Samuel Woodhall, brewers, West Bromwich
J. A. and A. Thompson Ltd., maltsters, Oldbury
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Montague Taylor (1841 – 1842)
E Taylor* (1858)
Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor* (1861 – 1874);
Richard Newman and James Probert (1874 – 1875);
James Taylor (1875);
Spencer Downing (1875 – 187_);
Henry Taylor (187_ – 1880);
William Riley Taylor (1880);
Henry Taylor (1880 – 1883);
Sarah Ann Taylor (1883 – 1888);
James Tate (1888 – 1891);
Joseph Dunn (1891);
William Millard Whitehouse (1891 – 1892);
William Henry Jennings (1892 – 1893);
David Benton (1893 – 1920);
Alexander Hadley (1920 – 1928);
Walter Howard Umbers (1928 – 1931);
William Henry Watson (1931 – 1935);
Thomas Frederick Dudley (1935 – 1938);
George Henry Breakwell (1938 – 1939);
Edward Cyril Playdell (1939 – [1940]

NOTES

29, Church Street [1858], [1861], [1865], [1868], [1871], [1872], [1891], [1896], [1904]
49, Church Street [1901], [1916], [1921], [1940]

HOLE IN THE WALL [1858], [1891], [1896]

It was known locally as the “Hole In The Wall”

* probably the same person
E. Taylor, vaults, 29, Church Street.

1861 Census
29, Church Street
[1] Elizabeth Taylor (58), widow, wine merchant, born Brades;
[2] James Taylor (27), son, wine merchant’s assistant, born Bilston;
[3] John Taylor (24), son, wine merchant’s assistant, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Taylor (22), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Emma Taylor (15), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Harriet Chattin (19), house servant, born Lea Brook:

Elizabeth Taylor, wine and spirit and ale and porter merchant, 29, Church Street.  [1865]

1871 Census
29, Church Street
[1] Elizabeth Taylor (68), wine and spirit merchant employing 6 assistants, born Oldbury;
[2] John Taylor (34), son, wine and spirit agent, born Bilston;
[4] Emily Bangham (25), barmaid, born Bilston;
[5] Betsy Danks (26), domestic servant, born Bilston;
[6] Ellen Ralph (30), barmaid, born Bilston:

Elizabeth Taylor died in 1874.

Richard Newman and James Probert were executors for Elizabeth Taylor.

1891 Census
29, Church Street – HOLE IN THE WALL
[4] Francis Edwards (13), son, born West Bromwich;
[5] Rowland Richards (14), stepson, born Moxley;
[6] Thomas Richards (8), stepson, scholar, born Bilston:

1901 Census
49, Church Street
[1] David Benton (43), innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
[2] Mary Benton (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Sarah Ann Benton (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[4] Henrietta Benton (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[5] Mary Benton (10), daughter, born West Bromwich:

David Benton weighed 20 stones.
He died on 15th September 1920.

A music license was granted on 5th February 1928.

Closed
It was demolished in October 1959.
BOAT

23, Ettingshall Lane, (7, Ettingshall Road), (Millfields Road), Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

Messrs. Aston and Sullivan, auctioneers, Wolverhampton
Herbert Merchant, officer, Priestfield
Henry Clark
The Old Lion Brewery Co., Tipton
Peter Walker and Son, brewer, 140, Park Lane West, Tipton
Frederick Smith Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Devney   [1871] – 1874);
Henry Clark   (1874 – 1891);
Isaac Morris   (1891 – 1898);
William Jones   (1898 – 1899);
Thomas Gilks   (1899 – 1903);
Mrs. Harriet Gilks   (1903 – 1909);
Thomas Pugh   (1909 – 1915);
Albert Chambers   (1915 – 1918);
Catherine Chambers   (1918 – 1925);
Arthur Perks   (1925 – 1929);
Arthur Haines   (1929 – 1932);
John Francis Burton   (1932 – [1938]

NOTES

23, Ettingshall Lane   [1871], [1881]
7, Ettingshall Road   [1901]
Millfields Road   [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

23, Ettingshall Lane – BOAT INN
[1] William Devney (54), miner and publican employing 1 man, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Mary A. Devney (42), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Selena Devney (13), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Joseph Devney (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Isaac Devney (7), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Samuel B. Devney (5), son, scholar, born Bilston:

William Devney was convicted on 3rd October 1873 for permitting gaming.
He was also convicted on 24th July 1874 for keeping open during prohibited hours.
1881 Census
23, Ettingshall Lane – The BOAT INN
[1] Henry Clark (37), beer seller, born Ruabon, Denbighshire;
[2] Harriett Clark (36), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Sarah Ann Shorthouse (23), general servant, born Sedgley;
[4] Emma Shorthouse (21), visitor, servant, born Sedgley:

1901 Census
7, Ettingshall Road
[1] Thomas Gilks (58), tavern keeper, born Tipton;
[2] Harriett Gilks (56), wife, born Tipton;
[3] Hannah Gilks (20), daughter, born Priestfield;
[4] Samuel Stephens (18), boarder, labourer, ironworks, born Priestfield;

Thomas Gilks died on 5th September 1903.

Mrs. Harriett Gilks, beer retailer, Millfields Road. [1904]
BOAT

Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Tomkinson  [1818]
Mercy Lee    [1822]

NOTES

John Tomkinson was also a brass furnace manufacturer.  [1818]
BOATBUILDERS ARMS

167, (79), Oxford Street / Chapel Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Edward Brereton, gentleman, Cock Street, Darlaston
Amelia Hooper, spinster, Darlaston
John Pritchard, brewer, Darlaston

LICENSEES

James Weare [1861]
Bridget Weare [1865]
John Thomas [1868 – 1883];
Richard Jones (1883 – 1884);
Thomas Talbot (1884 – 1890);
Thomas Webb Green (1890 – 1896);
Edward Pritchard (1896 – 1897);
Benjamin Talbot (1897);
Arthur Edward Devereaux (1897 – 1898);
Edward Jones (1898 – 1900);
Ernest Lawley (1900 – 1905);
Fanny Lawley [1901]
Ernest Dean (1905 – 1907);
Henry Flavell (1907 – 1911);
Albert Davis (1911 – 1913);

NOTES

79, Oxford Street [1861], [1881], [1891]
167, Oxford Street [1901], [1904], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

James Weare = James Wear

1861 Census
79, Oxford Street – Beer House
[1] James Wear (47), labourer, coal, born Ireland;
[2] Bridget Wear (48), wife, born Ireland;
[3] Thomas Coppard (18), lodger, coal miner, born Ireland;
[4] Martin Brayan (23), lodger, labourer, born Ireland:

Bridget Weare, beer retailer, 79, Oxford Street. [1865]
John Thomas, beer retailer, 79, Oxford Street.  [1868]

1871 Census
Oxford Street
[1] John Thomas (38), boatbuilder employing 2 men and publican, born Newtown, Montgomeryshire;
[4] Margaret Thomas (8), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
[5] Lavinia Thomas (5), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley:

1881 Census
79, Oxford Street – BOAT BUILDERS ARMS
[1] John Thomas (48), boat builder, born Newtown, Montgomeryshire;
[2] Mary A. Thomas (45), wife, born Norwich;
[3] Mary J. Thomas (22), daughter, general servant, born Bilston;
[4] Margaret Thomas (18), daughter, general servant, born Bilston;
[5] Lavinia Thomas (14), daughter, dress maker, born Bilston:

1891 Census
79, Oxford Street
[1] Thomas W. Green (47), publican and packer in bedstead works, born Bilston;
[3] S. Rogers (27), visitor, born Oswestry:

Thomas Green, beer retailer, 79, Oxford Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
167, Oxford Street – BUILDERS ARMS
[1] Ernest Lawley (23), butcher, born Bridgnorth;
[2] Fanny Lawley (22), wife, publican, born Willenhall;
[3] Ethel Edwards (17), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Ernest Lawley, beer retailer, 167, Oxford Street.  [1904]

Ernest Dean was fined 10s and costs, on 21st December 1906, for selling liquor to a drunken person.

Henry Flavell was fined £2 and costs, on 2nd December 1910, for selling liquor during prohibited hours.

1911 Census
Oxford Street – BOAT BUILDERS ARMS
[1] Henry Flavell (34), beerhouse keeper, born Sedgley;
[2] Emily Flavell (34), wife, married 10 years, born West Bromwich;
[3] Henry Flavell (6), son, born Bilston;
[4] Alexander Flavell (3), son, born Bilston:

Albert Davis, beer retailer, 167, Oxford Street.  [1912]

The license renewal was refused by Compensation Authority on 26th July 1913.
Compensation of £450 was paid on 24th December 1913.
The license was extinguished on 31st December 1913.

Demolished
BOROUGH ARMS

Bunkers Hill Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Ashley Barker   [2005]

NOTES

[1976]
[2005]

Closed   [2007]
It was demolished in January 2009.
BRADLEY FIELD HOUSE

Lower Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Smith
William Hewath, beerhouse keeper, Golds Green, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

John Smith  [1873] – 1876);
Edwin Heath  (1876 – 1877):

NOTES

The license was taken away in 1877.
BRICKLAYERS ARMS

Wood Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Shayshut  [1818] – [1822]

NOTES

*John Shayshut = John Shayshutt

John Shayshut was also a bricklayer.  [1818]
BRIDGE

Bridge Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Samuel Jones  [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census
Bridge Street
[1] Samuel Jones (48), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Jones (46), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Richard Jones (18), son, puddler, born Bilston;
[6] Eliza Jones (11), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Lydia Jones (3), daughter, born Bilston:
BRIDGE
10, Coseley Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES
James Richard Abbott was also a millwright.  [1860]

1861 Census
10, Coseley Street
[1] Richard Abbott (40), carpenter, joiner and engineer, born Bilston;
[2] Nouri Abbott (41), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Elizabeth N. Abbott (4), daughter, born Bilston:
[I have included this because it seems to apply to James Richard.]
BRIDGE

9, Ettingshall Road, (Ettingshall Lane), Rough Hills, BILSTON

OWNERS

Samuel Burrows
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Vickers  [1864] – [1865]
William Devney  [1868] – [1870]
Samuel Burrows  [1871] – 1874);
Joseph Burrows  (1874 – 1880);
Samuel Burrows  (1880 – 188_);
William Hall  (188_ – 188_);  [1881]
Henrietta Abrahams  (188_ – 1882);
Frederick Hadyn Jolly  (1882 – 1883);
Henrietta Abrahams  (1883);
Charles Preston  (1883 – 1884);
Jeremiah Skidmore  (1884 – 1885);
John Short  (1885);
John Summers  (1885 – 1887);
Edwin Slater  (1887 – 1888);
Eliza Tranter  (1888);
John James Green  (1888 – 1894);
Samuel Burrows  [1892] ?
Richard Bates  (1894 – 1898);
Mrs. Lucy Bates  (1898 – 1900);
John Davies  (1900 – 1905);
Richard Daniel Davis  (1905 – 1922);
Emma Davies  (1922 – [1938]

NOTES

Ettingshall Lane  [1865], [1868], [1870]
9, Ettingshall Lane  [1881]
Ettingshall Road

William Devney was also a shopkeeper.  [1868], [1870]

1871 Census
9, Ettingshall Lane – BRIDGE INN

[1] Samuel Burrows (37), coal master employing 6 men and 3 boys, born Sedgley;
[3] Ann Elwell (23), servant, born Bilston:

An inquest was held here in 1872.
**Dudley Herald 21/3/1874**

“Inquest at BRIDGE INN, Ettingshall Lane, near Wolverhampton on an old woman named Ellen Davies, who was strangled on the 2nd. inst. in her dilapidated house in Ettingshall Lane…..”

**1881 Census**

9, Ettingshall Lane – The BRIDGE INN

[3] Ann S. Morris (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

**1891 Census**

Rough Hills – BRIDGE INN

[2] Kate Green (23), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Norah Green (2), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Haywood (21), domestic servant, born Bilston;
[5] Alice Ireland (13), lodger, born Bilston:

Richard Bates died on 29th January 1898.

John Davies = John Davis

Closed
BRITANNIA

13, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Garratt  [1867]
James Fellows  [1868] – [1870]
BRITANNIA

54, (63), Hall Green Street / Wootton Square, Upper Bradley, (Brierley), BILSTON

OWNERS

Joseph Kelsawl, fish salesman, Liverpool
Atkinson's Ltd. (acquired in 1897)
William Butler & Co. Ltd. (leased from 24th December 1912 to November 1919)
William Butler & Co. Ltd. (acquired in November 1919)
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Holdens Brewery (acquired in September 1979)

LICENSEES

Isaac White [1828] – [1842]
Thomas Gough [1850]
James Halford [1851] – [1870]
Thomas Henry Cross [1871] – [1887];
Jemima Cross (1887 – 1889);
David Morris (1889);
Richard Jones (1889 – 1890);
Edward McKean (1890 – 1898);
Edmund Harris (1898 – 1909);
Richard Weaver (1909 – 1910);
Elijah Pountney (1910 – 1913);
James Albiston (1913 – 1915);
William Brown Snr. (1915 – [1916]
Mrs. Annie Brown (1938 – [1940]
Jack Brown [1950’s]
Frank Poole [1960’s]
Mrs. Helen Kear [ ] – [1992];
Vanessa Jane Stevens [2000]
Simon Paul Green (2001 – [ ]
Annette Lisseman [2005]

NOTES

63, Hall Green Street [1871]
54, Hall Green Street [1901]

It was known locally as “Brownies”.

It was the headquarters of Bradley United FC.

Thomas Gough was also a butcher. [1850]
1871 Census
63, Hall Green Street – BRITANNIA INN
[1] Thomas Henry Cross (31), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Eliza Pugh (34), domestic servant, born Dudley;
[4] Thomas Lloyd (43), general servant, born Whittington, Shropshire:

1881 Census
63, Hall Green Street – BRITANNIA INN
[1] Thomas Henry Cross (41), victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Margaret Bryan (23), general servant, born Dudley:

1901 Census
54, Hall Green Street
[1] Edmund Harris (37), public house manager, born Bradley;
[2] Eliza Harris (30), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Ernest Harris (8), son, born Bilston;
[4] Elsie Harris (4), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Edith Fellows (16), domestic servant, born Bilston:

William Brown kept a parrot in the outdoor and Mrs. Dina Brown always kept a joint of pork in the smoke room, from which you could help yourself.

A Buffaloes Lodge was based here. [1920’s]

A music license was granted on 2nd March 1928.

It was rebuilt in the 1930’s.

It was the headquarters of Britannia Pigeon Flying Club. [1937]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 8/6/1946
“A social was held at the BRITANNIA INN, Bradley, Bilston, on Monday night to mark the conclusion of the first season of the Bradley Cribbage League, which has been a most successful one. Mr. P. Fellows presided…..”

Bilston and Willenhall Times 25/11/1946
“Darts – Bradley League …. First Division: BRITANNIA have won the league for the third season in succession, although this season has been a close run thing, as the championship was not decided until the last match was played…..”

Frank Poole was ex-licensee of the RED LION, Dudley Street.
He was married to Violet.

History of Holdens Brewery - by John Richards
“M. & B. delicensed the pub but it was sold to Holdens and reopened by them in June 1979”

Tony Kear was married to Helen.

[2005]

Closed [2007]

It was converted into housing. [2010]
BRITANNIA

Mill Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Cross  [1867]

NOTES

Dudley Herald 30/11/1867
“Richard Cross of the BRITANNIA beershop, Mill Street, Bilston ..... Fined £3 for selling beer on a Sunday.”
BRITANNIA

137, (64), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

James Price
David Hart, money lender, St. James Square, Wolverhampton
Richard Andrew Harper, Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Elizabeth Leaver, Waterloo Road, Wolverhampton

LICENSEES

James Price  \( [1868] - 1873 \);
Jane Price  \( [1873] - 1889 \);
Joseph Jackson  \( [1889] - 1891 \);
Edwin John Baker  \( [1891] - 1892 \);
George Burrows  \( [1892] - 1894 \);
John Norton  \( [1894] - 1897 \);
George Samuel Holder  \( [1897] - 1900 \);
William Hardwick  \( [1900] - 1908 \);
Sarah Hardwick  \( [1901] \)

NOTES

64, Oxford Street  \( [1871], [1881], [1891] \)
137, Oxford Street

It had a beerhouse license.

James Price, beer retailer, 64, Oxford Street.  \( [1868] \)

1871 Census
64, Oxford Street
[2] Susan Price (50), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Charlotte Price (14), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton:

James Price died in 1873.

1881 Census
64, Oxford Road – BRITANNIA
[1] Susan J. Price (63), widow, beer retailer, born Bilston;
[3] Kate Hill (19), domestic servant, born Bilston:
[It appears that Susan J was licensee Jane.]
1891 Census
64, Oxford Street – BRITANNIA INN
[2] Elizabeth Baker (49), wife, born Stoke on Trent;
[4] Charles G. Williams (49), lodger, baker, born Worcester:

John Norton, beer retailer, 64, Oxford Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
Oxford Street – BRITANNIA INN
[1] William Hardwick (57), blacksmith, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Sarah Hardwick (57), publican, born Wyrley;
[3] Mary A. Hardwick (22), daughter, born Walsall;
[4] Ernest W. Hardwick (19), son, blacksmith’s striker, born West Bromwich;
[7] Henry C. Arblaster (57), brother in law, widower, blacksmith’s striker, born Pelsall:

William Hardwick, beer retailer, 137, Oxford Street.  [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 18th June 1908.
Compensation of £425 was paid on 30th November 1908.
BRITANNIA

20, (177), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Riley, builder, James Street, Bilston
George Riley
Phoebe Riley
Charlotte Elizabeth Marsh, 231 Dudley Road, Wolverhampton
Major George Cox, brewer, Broad Street, Bilston

LICENSEES

Edward Griffiths  [ ] – 1872);
William Poole  (1872 – 1873);
Charlotte Hale  (1873 – 1875);
Selina Benton  (1875 – 1876);
James Preece  (1876 – 1877);
Joseph Keay  (1877 – 1878);
Simeon Hanley  (1878 – 1879);
Harriet ?  (1879 – 1880);
Thomas Rogers  (1880);
George Robottom  (1880);
Benjamin Burdett  (1880 – 1881);
Thomas Samuel Ratcliffe  (1881 – 1882);
Reuben Stokes  (1882 – 1883);
Sophia Rowley  (1883 – 1884);
Samuel Hughes  (1884 – 1886);
William Edwards  (1886);
Job Eccleston  (1886 – 1887);
John Forrester  (1887);
Frederick Reginald Mellen  (1887 – 1888);
Frederick Clark  (1888 – 1892);
William John Davies  (1892 – 1896);
Alfred Tennant  (1896 – 1905);
George Henry Evans  (1905);
Joseph Hadley  (1905 – 1908);
Emily Hodgkiss  (1908):

NOTES

177, Oxford Street  [1891]
20, Oxford Street  [1901]

It was formerly known as ROYAL GEORGE.  [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.
1891 Census
177, Oxford Street – ROYAL GEORGE
[1] Frederick Clark (64), widower, beerhouse keeper, born Long Buckby, Northamptonshire;
[2] Frederick Charles Clark (24), son, joiner, born Rugby:

William John Davies, beer retailer, 177, Oxford Street. [1896]

1901 Census
20, Oxford Street
[1] Alfred Tennant (36), beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[2] Alice Tennant (34), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Annie Edwards (23), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

Alfred Tennant, beer retailer, 20, Oxford Street. [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 18th June 1907. Compensation of £750 was paid on 13th June 1908.
BRITANNIA

50, Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Charlotte Griffiths

LICENSEES

John Griffiths [1861] – [1868]
Charlotte Griffiths [1871] – 1874);
Frederick Jones (1874 – 1877);
Thomas Marston (1877):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
50, Temple Street
[1] John Griffiths (51), Japanner _____‘s dealer and beer seller, born Bilston;
[2] Charlotte Griffiths (49), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Jane Owen (32), general servant, born Bilston;
[7] Phebe Riley (26), wife, born Bilston;
[8] Elizabeth Riley (9 months), daughter, born Bilston:

John Griffiths, beer retailer, 50, Temple Street. [1865], [1868]

1871 Census
50, Temple Street
[1] Charlotte Griffiths (59), widow, innkeeper and shop, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah A. Harris (17), general servant, born Bilston:

Frederick Jones was convicted on 28th January 1876 for permitting gaming at cards.

The license was taken away in 1877.
BRITANNIA

Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Jeremiah France [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census
BRITANNIA IN (sic)
[1] Jeremiah France (43), sinker, born North Wales;
[2] Mary France (41), wife, born Felton (?), Shropshire;
[3] Lidia France (16), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Hannah France (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Mary France (4), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:
BRITANNIA +

BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Hyde Jnr.  [ ] – 1875);
William Hyde Snr.  (1875 – [ ]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.
BRITISH OAK

39, Wesley Street, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Elizabeth Bumford
John Elliman, licensed victualler, Tipton
W. Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Sampson Paul (1873 - 1874);
John Bumford (1874 - 1883);
Edward Roberts (1883 - 1884);
John Lowe (1884 - 1890);
Mrs. Betsy Jevons (1890 - 1893);
Sarah A. Jevons [1891]?
Mrs. Elizabeth Ann (Turner) Bunch (1893 - 1903);
James Casey (1903 - 1906);
Francis Mayeur (1906 - 1908);
William Brown (1908 - 1915);
Philip Blundell (1915 - 1919);
Henry Brown (1919 - 1923);
Albert Ward (1923 - 1924);
Joseph Edwin Turton (1924 - 1934);
Mrs. Mary Jane Turton (1934 - [1940])
Joe Turton [1956]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was known locally as “Turton’s”.

John Lowe was married to Elah.

Mrs. Betsy Jevons = Betsy Jeavons = Betsey Jeavons

1891 Census

39, Wesley Street
[1] Thomas Jeavons (48), stone dresser, born Coseley;
[2] Betsey Jeavons (41), wife, born Cosley;
[4] Sarah A. Jeavons (17), daughter, publican, born Coseley;
[7] Mary J. P. Jeavons (9), daughter, scholar, born Princes End:
Elizabeth Ann Turner married James Bunch on 18th April 1894.

1901 Census
39, Wesley Street
[1] Elizabeth A. Bunch (67), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire;
[2] Maria Barnes (29), domestic servant, born Great Bridge;
[3] Eva Blakesley (17), visitor, dressmaker, born Sedgley:

James Casey, beer retailer, 39, Wesley Street, Bradley. [1904]

Henry Brown, beer retailer, 39 Wesley Street, Bradley, Bilston. [1921]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]

It had a successful darts team in the 1950’s, which won the Midland Open Championship in 1956. The team featured Frank Wall who later won the News of the World Championship.

It was granted a full license in February 1957.
**BROWN COW**

Oxford Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

**LICENSEES**

Jane Lander  [1851]
BROWN JUG

11, (6), Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Fowler, butcher, Brook Terrace, Bilston
George Meese Jnr.
Mercy Meese
George Meese
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

David Thompson  [1849] – [1861]
Thomas Pritchard  [1864] – [1865]
Edwin Vale  [ ] – 1868;
John Vale  (1868 – [ ]
Mrs. Jane Veal  [1868] – [1870]
Joseph Bunce  [1871] – [1874];
Joseph Johnson  [ ];
John Roberts  [ ];
John O’Grady  [ ] – 1882;
Benet Tarbuck  (1882 – [ ];
John Hartill  [ ];
Elizabeth Griffiths  [ ];
William Fowler  [ ];
William Henry Veal  [ ];
George Meese Snr.  [ ];
George Meese Jnr.  [1891] – 1912); 
Mrs. Mercy Meese  (1912 – 1922);
George Meese  (1922 – 1928);
John Thomas Shelley  (1928 – 1931);
Walter Smith  (1931 – 1933);
Abraham Betts  (1933 – 1938);
Leonard Betts  (1938 – [1940]

NOTES

6, Temple Street  [1861], [1868], [1870], [1873], [1874], [1891], [1892], [1896]
11, Temple Street  [1901], [1904], [1912], [1916], [1940]

David Thompson, beer retailer, Temple Street.  [1849], [1850]

1861 Census

6, Temple Street
[1] David Thompson (57), widower, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Cornelius Thompson (23), son, iron founder, born Bilston;
[4] Harriet J. Moore (14), servant, born Manchester:

Edwin Vale died before February 1868.
1871 Census
6, Temple Street – BROWN JUG INN
[1] Joseph Bunce (34), merchant, roller iron and licensed victualler, born Coseley;
[2] Elizabeth Bunce (33), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Harriet Bunce (12), daughter, general servant, born Bilston;
[5] Joseph Bunce (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Horace Bunce (2), son, born Bilston;
[8] Mary Gasser (73), mother, born Darlaston;
[9] Betty Johnson (20), general servant, born Bilston:

John Vale was the son of Edwin.

[Was Jane Veal really Jane Vale?]
BROWN JUG

55, (29), (25), Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Edwin Lewis, gentleman, Goldthorn Hill, Wolverhampton
Enoch Pearson, Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham
Enoch Bailey, gentleman, Birmingham Road, Walsall

LICENSEES

Joseph Shale [1858] – [1871]
Patrick Gibbons [1873] – 1877);
John Knight (1877 – 1883);
Michael Delmore (1883 – 1886);
Martin McTighe (1886 – 1888);
John Sidebottom Jnr. (1888);
Charles Carpenter (1888 – 1892);
William McManus (1892 – 1893);
Samuel Foley (1893 – 1894);
Benjamin Bee (1894 – 1895);
Charles Carpenter (1895);
William Dudley (1895);
John Beebee (1895 – 1896);
John Harper (1896 – 1899);
James Lemm (1899);
Charles Brown (1899 – 1900);
Phoebe Fowler (1900);
John Harper (1900 – 1905);
Ellen Harper [1901]
Robert Colley (1905 – 1906);
Arthur Taylor (1906);
Henry Richard Adams (1906 – 1907):

NOTES

29, Temple Street [1861], [1868], [1881]
25, Temple Street [1871]
55, Temple Street [1904]

OLD BROWN JUG [1858], [1861], [1881], [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.
Joseph Shale, beerhouse, Temple Street. [1858]

1861 Census
29, Temple Street – OLD BROWN JUG
[1] Joseph Shale (45), publican, born Bilston;
[4] Benjamin Shale (18), son, apprentice carpenter, born Bilston;
[5] Sarah Shale (16), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Mary S. Shale (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Elizabeth Shale (1), daughter, born Bilston:

Joseph Shale, beer retailer, 29, Temple Street. [1868]

Joseph Shale – see also BARREL.

1881 Census
29, Temple Street – OLD BROWN JUG
[1] John Knight (53), innkeeper, born Ireland;
[2] Mary Knight (51), wife, born Ireland;
[3] Margaret Knight (26), daughter, dress maker, born Runcorn;
[4] Peter Knight (14), son, assistant in iron works, born Bilston;
[5] Mary Ann Knight (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

William Dudley, beer retailer, 29, Temple Street. [1896]
He died in 1895.
[It appears he paid for the Directory entry before he died.]

1901 Census
Temple Street – OLD BROWN JUG
[4] Horace Harper (8), son, born Tipton;
[5] James Pugh (26), son in law, groom, born Bilston;
[6] Florence Pugh (22), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Louisa Pugh (3 months), granddaughter, born Bilston;
[8] John Attwood (30), lodger, brickmaker, born Bilston;
[9] Hannah Heighway (18), visitor, dressmaker, born Moxley:

John Harper, beer retailer, 55, Temple Street. [1904]

Robert Colley was fined £2 and costs, on 29th September 1905, for permitting drunkenness.

License refused by Compensation Authority on 18th June 1907.
Compensation of £425 was paid on 12th October 1907.
Wolverhampton Chronicle 24/3/1858
“W. H. Phillips Esq., deputy coroner, held an inquest at the BROWN JUG INN, Temple Street, on Friday last, on the body of John Edwards, a banksman. The unfortunate man had lost his life by falling down the shaft of a pit at which he was employed. No person witnessed the accident, and therefore the circumstances under which it occurred did not appear. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”
BROWN LION

19, (18), Cross Street, Hallfields, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

James Thompson, 18, Cross Street, Bilston
Noah Halford
William Halford, shoe salesman, Hall Street, Bilston
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Townsend  [1871] – [1874];
William Price  [1874] – [1877];
George Tilley  [1877] – [1884];
Mary Tilley  [1884] – [1894];
William George  [1894] – [1912];
Henry George  [1912] – [1915];
William George  [1915] – [1916];
Samuel Harrison  [1916] – [1917];
William Alfred Burns  [1917] – [1918];
Enoch Burns  [1918]:

NOTES

18, Cross Street  [1871], [1881]
19, Cross Street  [1904], [1911], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
18, Cross Street – BROWN LION
[1] Joseph Townsend (33), beer retailer, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Townsend (19), wife, born Canterbury, Kent;
[3] Emily Bailey (18), general servant, born Bilston;
[4] Jane A. Gregory (23), waitress in hotel, born Ramsgate, Kent:

1881 Census
18, Cross Street – BROWN LION
[1] George Tilley (47), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Tilley (43), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah A. Tilley (18), daughter, born Bilston:

George Tilley was married to Mary.
He died on 14th May 1884.

1891 Census
18, Cross Street – BROWN LION INN
[1] Mary Tilley (55), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Sedgley;
[2] Sarah Martin (86), relative, widow:
1901 Census
Cross Street
[2] Caroline George (60), wife, born Willenhall;
[3] Henry George (26), son, puddler, born Bradley, Bilston:

William George, beer retailer, 19, Cross Street. [1904], [1912]

1911 Census
19, Cross Street
[1] William George (69), public house keeper, born Montgomeryshire;
[2] Caroline George (73), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Richard Henry George (34), son, underhand shearer, born Bilston:

License refused by Compensation Authority on 3rd July 1918.
Compensation of £750 was paid on 21st December 1918.
BROWN LION

165, (78), Oxford Street (Oxford Road) / Chapel Street, New Town, BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Walker, auctioneer, Wolverhampton
Dr. Hancox, Bilston
Miss M A and E Hancox, Bilston
William Butler & Co. Ltd.  [1904], [1953]

LICENSEES

Esther Brown  [1818]
George Perry  [1822] – [1830]
John Perry  [1833]
George Perry  [1834] – [1835]
George Brown  [1841] – [1842]
Mrs. Jane Lander  [1849] – [1850]
Joseph Plant  [1851] – [1861]
George Brown and Co.  [1864] – [1865]
William Williams  [1872] – [1881];
John Lacey  (1881 – 1888);
Thomas Smith  (1888);
Harriet Smith  (1888 – 1889);
John McNulty  (1889 – 1890);
John Hand  (1890 – 1892);
Benjamin Slim  (1892 – 1893);
Charles Askept  (1893 – 1894);
Lucretia Fanny Ward  (1894);
William Bennett  (1894);
Arthur Augustus Geaves  (1894 – 1895);
William John Lawrence  (1895);
Thomas Marshall  (1895 – 1898);
Edward Monk  (1898 – 1899);
Evan Jones  (1899 – 1900);
Frederick William Plant  (1900);
Benjamin Mobberley  (1900 – 1901);
Thomas Hollins  (1901 – 1906);
Mrs. Ellen Hollins  (1906 – 1924);
Charles Henry Walker  (1924 – 1934);
Ernest Carden  (1934 – [1940]
Mrs. Harriet Walker  []
Jack Hughes  []

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Oxford Road  [1828]
78, Oxford Street  [1858], [1864], [1865], [1874], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1904]
165, Oxford Street  [1916], [1940]
1871 Census
Oxford Street

[1] William Williams (43), victualler, born Hednesford;
[2] Louisa Williams (35), wife, born Austrey, Warwickshire;
[5] Frank Williams (10), son, scholar, born Bradley;
[7] Ellen Williams (2), daughter, born Bradley;
[8] Mary Williams (10 months), daughter, born Bradley;
[9] Hannah Smith (14), general servant, born Hardwick, Oxfordshire:

William Williams was also a veterinary surgeon.  [1872]

1881 Census
78, Oxford Street – BROWN LION

[1] William Williams (50), licensed victualler, born Hednesford;
[2] Louisa Williams (45), wife, born Austrey, Warwickshire;
[7] Mary Jane Stubbs (22), domestic servant, born Bilston:

John Lacey was convicted in January 1882 for permitting drunkenness. His fine was increased, by the Convicting Justices, from 20s to £3 and ordered that the record of conviction should be removed from the register.

Wednesbury Herald 12/8/1882
“The adjourned inquest on the body of an old woman named Harriet Fletcher, of Lower Bradley, who died from the effects of injuries received from falling down a pit in Bradley Lodge Colliery, on Tuesday last, was held at the BROWN LION INN, Oxford Street, Bilston, on Tuesday morning.

W. Grew (re-called), in reply to Mr. J. P. Baker, Her Majesty’s Inspector of Mines for the district, said he was the first person who got to the pit after the deceased fell down. The chains round the shaft were in the same state on the day in question as they were on Saturday last, when the inspector examined the spot. Witness put in the new staples, but they were only put in the place of the old ones. The bottom chain was not so slack as nearly to touch the ground, and the chains were as tight as now.

Mr. Sheldon, of Wednesbury, who watched the case on behalf of Mr. H. Piggott, asked witness if there were not other fencing besides the chains.

The witness replied that there [were] several iron plates against the chain. Deceased could not fall into the pit without turning back again. He considered the pit to be securely fenced. He believed she fell down backwards, but was not sure.

In reply to Mr. W. Bowen, solicitor, who represented deceased’s husband, witness said he was employed by Mr. Piggott, the proprietor of the pit, and had married his niece.

Mr. J. P. Baker, mines inspector, said he found the fences composed of various materials, chains, bottoms of skips reared up against the posts and chains, part of a pair of shafts, and one or two iron plates. Supposing the fences to be exactly as he found them, he did not consider the pit to be securely fenced. Children might go between the chains on that side and easily fall in. Even if an adult leaned or sat on the chains he might fall down. He did not consider the pit securely fenced according to Act of Parliament, because the materials were of a removable character.

Samuel Kempson, a youth, of Ocker Hill, said he saw the woman fall down the pit. He was going from Bilston home, and followed the deceased who walked steadily along, and not as though she had been drinking. She left the road to cut off a corner. As she was going by the pit she made a dead stop. After passing the pit about a couple of yards she turned back, and tried to lay hold of the top chain, but missing it, she fell over into the pit head first.

In reply to Mr. Sheldon, witness said the plate upon which deceased was taken home was taken from the same side of the pit as that over which she fell.
The jury returned the following verdict ‘That the deceased, Harriet Fletcher, died from the effects of falling down a pit shaft, but the evidence was insufficient to say whether she was sober at the time.’ Appended to the verdict was the following recommendation:- The jury wish the mining inspector of the district to see that the pit in question is fenced satisfactorily, and called the attention of the surveyor of the highway to the fact that the coalfield in question should be well fenced from the public road.”

Thomas Smith died in April 1888.

John Hands = John Hand

1891 Census
78, Oxford Street – BROWN LION
[1] John Hand (57), innkeeper, born Ireland;
[2] Mary Ann Hand (57), wife, born Ludlow;
[7] Kate Carney (26), general servant, born Wednesbury:

1901 Census
Oxford Street – BROWN LION
[1] Thomas Hollins (57), licensed victualler, born Leigh, Staffordshire;
[3] Edith A. Hollins (22), daughter, barmaid, born Brierley Hill;
[4] Ellen Hollins (18), daughter, confectioner’s assistant, born Brierley Hill;
[5] Nellie Owen (19), visitor, born Brownhills:

Thomas Hollins died on 12th October 1906.
He was married to Ellen.
The license was granted to her on 11th January 1907.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Jack Hughes was married to Maude.

Closed
Demolished
**BULL AND MOUTH**

41, (20), High Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Francis Adie, grocer, High Street, Bilston  
Charles Adie, Tunbridge Wells  
Francis Adie  
Walter Showell and Co.  
Joseph Chadwick  
Mary Ann Stanley, widow, Church Hill, Wednesbury  
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.  [1912]

**LICENSEES**

J Perry  [1822]  
George Adderley  [1828] – [1835]  
Abraham Price  [1841] – [1842]  
John Teadstill  [1845] – [1850]  
A Masters  [1858]  
Edwin John Jones  [1864] – [1872];  
Margaret Ann Jones  (1872 – 1878);  
Francis Adie  (1878 – 1890);  
George Greaves Smith Griffiths  (1890);  
Mrs. Edith Hickman  (1890 – 1892);  
Edward Probert  (1892 – 1896);  
William Probert  (1896 – 1900);  
George Bills  (1900 – 1903);  
Albert Heath  (1903 – 1904);  
Henry James Burrows  (1904 – 1905);  
George Maddox  (1905 – 1913);  
Matthew Rhodes  (1913 – 1922);  
Alfred Dyoss  (1922 – 1923);  
Joseph Lovatt  (1923 – 1924);  
Sidney Arthur  (1924 – 1925);  
Annie Whittaker  (1925 – 1929);

**NOTES**

20, High Street  [1858], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1872], [1873], [1874], [1884], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900]  
41, High Street  [1901], [1916]  

It had a beerhouse license.
George Adderley, retailer of beer, High Street. [1835]

1871 Census
High Street
[1] Edwin J. Jones (54), wine and spirit dealer, born London;
[2] Margaret Jones (42), wife, born Bexley, Kent;
[6] Robert Jones (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Amelia E. Jones (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Ellen A. Jones (5), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Bella Jones (2), daughter, born Bilston;
[10] Elizabeth Baker (17), general servant, born Bilston:

Edwin John Jones was also a maltster and hop merchant. [1873]

1891 Census
20, High Street – BULL AND MOUTH
[1] Edith Hickman (30), unmarried, manageress for public house, born Tipton;
[3] Ann Hickman (67), mother, born Leominster:

1901 Census
41, High Street
[1] George Bills (26), publican, born Birmingham;
[3] Gladys L. Bills (3 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Clara Mould (11), nursemaid, born Bradley:

Application for the removal of this license to the ROSE INN was granted on 8th February 1929. It was confirmed at Stafford on 13th April 1929. It closed on 13th April 1929. The premises became Jones’ Seed Shop.

It was demolished.
BULLS HEAD

92, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Smith  [1818] – [1822]
John Smith*  [1828] – [1833]
John Fullard Smith*  [1834] – [1835]
Thomas Haynes  [1861]
George Hyde  [1864] – [1865]
Henry Plant  [1868] – [1872]

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BULLS HEAD  [1818], [1834], [1835]
OLD BULLS HEAD  [1864], [1865]
BLACK BULLS HEAD  [1868], [1870], [1872]

* possibly the same person.

John Smith was also a japanner and tin plate worker.  [1833]

1861 Census

92, Church Street
[1] Thomas Haynes (42), widower, wine and spirit merchant, born Stourbridge;
[2] Hannah Haynes (6), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Jane Nichols (31), servant, born Tipton;
[5] Sarah Edwards (20), servant, born Wistanstow, Shropshire;
[6] Sarah Page (20), servant, born Darlaston;
[7] Harrison Thomas (21), porter, born Yorton, Shropshire:
[This could be an entry for the ROYAL GEORGE.]
BULLS HEAD

28, (70), (54), High Street (Market Street) / Dudley Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Caddick, gentleman, Handsworth
John Thomas Hurst
William Summers, coal agent, Dawley, Shropshire
Henry Plant and Co. [1896]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1904]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Hannah Caddick [1849] – [1851]
Henry Plant [1851]
Elizabeth Caddick [1858] – [1861]
Edward Ward [1861]
John Vickers [1864] – [1865]
William Adkins [1864] – [1865]
David Richards [1868] – [1870]
Benjamin A Ford [1871]
Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Sale [1872] – 1873);
Benjamin Samuel Ford (1873 – 1874);
John Thomas Hurst (1874 – 1877);
William Walker (1877 – 1878);
John Thomas Hurst (1878 – 1882);
Samuel Thomas (1882 – 1883);
John Dickins (1883);
Job Ecclestone (1884 – 1885);
John Higgins (1885);
Francis Adams (1885 – 1889);
Alfred Newton (1889 – 1890);
Hezekiah Harris (1890 – 1908);
George Lewis Rogers (1908 – 1909);
Luke Corkindale (1909 – 1916);
Laura Corkindale (1916 – 1921);
Luke Corkindale (1921 – 1928);
Samuel Farrington (1928 – 1932);
Thomas Wilde (1932 – [1940]

NOTES

70, High Street [1861], [1871], [1881], [1891]
54, High Street [1900]
28, High Street [1911], [1916]

[1827]

OLD BULLS HEAD [1849], [1858], [1864], [1865], [1873], [1896]
BULLS HEAD [1868], [1881], [1891]
Inland Revenue office [1861], [1868]

It was a coaching house for London and Shrewsbury (The Mail), and Holyhead and Shrewsbury (The Old Union and Retaliator). [1818]

1851 Census
High Street
[1] Henry Plant (29), licensed victualler, born Great Bridge;
[3] Eliza Plant (18), sister, born West Bromwich;
[4] Ann Endley (26), house servant, born Dudley:

1861 Census
70, High Street
[1] Edward Ward (39), victualler, born Wentnor, Shropshire;
[4] Mary A. Speed (18), servant, born Dudley;
[5] Margaret Turner (16), servant, born France:

David Richards was also an inland revenue officer. [1870]

1871 Census
70, High Street – BULLS HEAD
[1] Benjamin A. Ford (28), formerly grocer, licensed victualler employing 3 assistants, born Cradley, Herefordshire;
[3] Harry R. Ford (2 months), son, born Bilston;
[4] Annie Lemon (20), bar maid, born Cubley, Derbyshire;
[5] Thomas Fletcher (25), man servant, born Sedgley;
[6] Ellen Dunn (18), domestic servant, born Sedgley;
[7] William Hall (18), domestic servant, born Bloxwich:
[Cradley is about 3 miles W of Great Malvern.]
[Cubley is split into Great Cubley and Little Cubley and is about 5 miles S of Ashbourne.]

Benjamin Samuel Ford was also an inland revenue officer. [1873]
On Thursday evening, at the BULLS HEAD INN, Bilston, Mr. H. Brevitt, Deputy Coroner, resumed an inquest touching the death of Catherine Corley, aged 7 years, daughter of Michael Corley, of Smith Street, Bilston. The evidence previously given showed that deceased went to bed apparently well at about half past seven o’clock on Friday night, the 2nd inst., after having some bread and butter and tea. She did not at the time complain of illness, but at about half past nine o’clock the same night she was taken ill and vomited, besides being very much purged. No doctor was sent for, and early the following morning she was taken worse, and died shortly afterwards before the medical gentleman arrived.

Messrs. Cameron and Smith, surgeons, who had made a post-mortem examination, being unable to say that the child had died from natural causes, the stomach was ordered to be sent to Mr. Jones, the county analyst, for him to make an analysis of it. The enquiry was adjourned until Thursday.

Mr. Jones now stated that he had made a careful analysis of the stomach which had been forwarded to him, but failed to discover any poisonous substance or any indications that poison had been taken.

Ann Corley, the mother of the child, said the deceased had tea out of the same teapot as the rest of the family, and the bread and butter were the same. About two and a half hours afterwards she was taken sick. The vomit was watery, but there was nothing particular about it. Since the death of deceased another child had been seized in a similar manner, but recovered. The house in which they dwelt had two bedrooms. Eleven persons resided in the house – herself, her husband, and nine children, and on the night when the child was taken ill six of the children, herself and her husband slept in one room. The eldest daughter sleeping in the room was twenty four years of age. One boy was sleeping in the other room, and two other sons were at work. They lived in this house for twelve months, and had slept during that time in the manner mentioned. The rent was 3s 3d per week and was collected by a Mr. Wedge for the landlady, a widow. None of the family was in a sick club.

Inspector Cooke stated that he had made inquiries, but had not been able to obtain any evidence to throw light on death of deceased.

Mr. Cameron, surgeon, re-called, said since the last enquiry he had given the matter further consideration, and he had come to the conclusion that death was due to asphyxia arising from arrest of the circulation of the lungs whilst the deceased was in a state of collapse, and that the collapse had resulted from an attack of so-called British cholera. He had come to this conclusion, having seen another member of the family affected similarly to the deceased.

In answer to the Coroner, witness said he had never known a case of English cholera prove fatal in a day, but a weakly subject might die in that time. He did not see deceased during life. He would not say that death was not due to suppressed scarlet fever, the two diseases being sometimes mistaken for each other.

Mr. S. J. Smith, surgeon, was also recalled, and said that, notwithstanding no poison had been found in the stomach, he was of opinion that death was the result of irritant poison. Death might, however, have been due to the so-called English cholera, but certainly not to suppressed scarlet fever. In the latter case he should have expected convulsions. Over-crowding might have caused blood poisoning, and this would produce sickness and purging. The state of the house was sufficient to produce a good many diseases, including so-called English cholera.

Inspector Cooke who had been sent during the enquiry by the Coroner to measure the rooms, said the room in which the eight persons had slept was 11ft 5in by 13ft and 6ft 10in high, and the other one 14ft 7in long, 7ft 9in wide, and 9ft high. The second room was entered from the first. In the first room were two beds, and in the second a quantity of rags.

The Coroner then summed up at length, and referred to the unsatisfactory character of the medical evidence owing to the two surgeons who had made the post-mortem examination disagreeing as to the cause of death. With regard to the dwelling he should certainly call the attention of the police to its overcrowded state, and request them to take the necessary measures to put down the nuisance.

The jury, after a quarter of an hour’s consultation, returned an open verdict that the child died during a state of collapse, but that there was no evidence to show the cause of collapse.”
1881 Census
70, High Street – BULLS HEAD
[1] John Hurst (42), licensed victualler, auctioneer, born Maudifield, Cheshire;
[2] Elizabeth Hurst (38), wife, born Hanley, Staffordshire;
[3] Lizzie M. Hurst (16), daughter, barmaid, born Stockport;
[4] Sarah Hallett (16), general servant, born Sedgley:

1891 Census
70, High Street – BULLS HEAD
[1] Hezekiah Harris (29), licensed victualler, born Bromsgrove;
[2] Frances E. Harris (28), wife, born Bromsgrove;
[3] Francis L. Harris (1), son, born Bromsgrove;
[4] Martha Bath (16), servant, born Kidderminster:

1901 Census
Market Street
[1] Hezekiah Harris (39), licensed victualler, born Bromsgrove;
[2] Frances Ellen Harris (38), wife, born Bromsgrove;
[3] Francis Leonard Harris (11), son, born Bromsgrove;
[4] Oscar Bertie Harris (8), son, born Bilston;
[5] Elsie Dora Harris (6), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Florence Elizabeth Bence (20), barmaid, born Bath:

1911 Census
28, High Street
[2] Laura Corkindale (28), assistant in the business, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Corkindalke (6), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Lawrence Corkindale (5), son, born Bilston;
[6] Patience Cox (17), general servant, born Bilston:

A music license was granted on 6th July 1928.

Closed
It was demolished.
**BULLS HEAD**

24, John Street / Chell Street, Bradley, (Hall Green), (Daisy Bank), BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Alice Stokes  
Charles Lathe, pawnbroker, Bradley, Bilston  
Plant’s Brewery Ltd., Netherton and Dudley  
Ansells Brewery Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Isaac Stokes [1861]  
Mrs. Alice Stokes [1868 – 1883];  
John Chadwick (1883 – 1885);  
Thomas Southall (1885 – 1887);  
Thomas Hinkinson* (1887 – 1890);  
Charles Jefferies (1890);  
Thomas Hinkinson* (1890 – 1892);  
Arthur Shorthouse (1892);  
James Hinley [1892] ?  
Ezekiel Davies (1892 – 1895);  
Ann Badger (1895 – 1896);  
Thomas Davies [1896] ?  
Samuel Bright Oliver (1896 – 1898);  
Ellen Oliver (1898);  
Edwin McKeen (1898 – 1901);  
Frank Albert Stanford (1901 – 1929);  
Albert Henry Davis (1929 – 1930);  
John Garvey (1930 – 1933);  
Philip Edward Whitehouse (1933);  
Samuel Paul (1933 – 1938);  
Edward George Yeoman (1938 – 1940)  
Martha Jane Yeoman [ ]

**NOTES**

* possibly the same person

**Wednesbury Herald 7/10/1882**

“Messrs. J. Morrell & Son are favoured with instructions from Mrs. A. Stokes, to offer for Sale By Auction, on Tuesday, October 17th, 1882, upon the premises, at Six for Seven in the Evening…..

All that Valuable Freehold Old-Licensed Corner Inn, called the BULLS HEAD INN, having a frontage of 63ft to John Street, and of 36ft to Chell Street, Hall Green ….. containing large and commodious Tap Room, 14ft by 18ft; well arranged Smoke Room, 14ft by 13ft 6in; Bar Parlour, commodious Kitchen, fitted with two Cupboards; Parlour, 14ft by 15ft; large Brewhouse, 16ft 6in by 14ft 6in, with Malt Room over; Stable, Larder, Coal House, Piggeries, and other Outhouses, well paved and drained Yard, large and commodious Club Room, 33ft 6in by 12ft; four good Sleeping Rooms, and three Capital Cellars.  
The Property is well spouted round, supplied with hard and soft water, and is in a capital state of repair.  
The Property is very substantially erected, it having been erected regardless of expense…..”
Thomas Hinkinson died on 8th January 1892.

1901 Census
24, John Street
[1] Frank Stanford (29), publican &c, born Princes End;
[3] Frank Albert Stanford (2), son, born Darlaston:

Frank Albert Stanford was fined £2 and costs, on 5th May 1916, for selling beer exceeding measure called for.

Bradley Scottish Jazz Band was founded here in 1930.

A team from here were champions of the Bradley Crib League, Section A in 1946.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]

It closed in 1959.
Demolished
**BULLS HEAD**

153, 67, 55, Millfields Road, (Parkfield Road), (Mill Street), (Union Street), (Ettingshall Lane), (Catchems Corner), Ettingshall, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

William Pratt, gentleman, Crown Street (acquired 14th August 1883)
Henry Clarke, licensed victualler, Boat Inn, Ettingshall
William Butler & Co Ltd.
Courage Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Thomas Underhill [1833] – [1835]
William Morgan [1841] – [1851]
Joseph Tipper [1854] – [1865]
Samuel Burrows [1868] – [1870]
John Preston [1871] – 1879;
Mrs. Mary Ann Preston (1879 – 1880);
John Robinson (1880 – 1885);
Thomas Hampton (1885 – 1887);
Richard Bates (1887 – 1898);
Mrs. Lucy Bates (1898 – 1919);
Arthur Wakelam (1919 – 1927);
Thomas Lester (1927 – 1938)
Tony Stelling [1985]
Robert Cooper [2000's]

**NOTES**

Catchems Corner [1828], [1830], [1841], [1850], [1851], [1854], [1865]
Ettingshall Lane [1833], [1851], [1861]
Parkfield Road [1873]
Mill Street [1871], [1874], [1881]
Union Street [1891]
55, Millfields Road [1901]
67, Millfields Road [1931]
153, Millfields Road [1982]

OLD BULLS HEAD [1851]
Black Country Bugle
‘Recognise Your Black Country Ale House’
“Situated at the end of the notorious Hell Lane, it is right in the heart of the heavy engineering belt, between Bilston and Wolverhampton. Years ago it was used as a gathering place for thirsty ironworkers and colliers, who eagerly sought liquid refreshment and an escape after the sweat and toil of a long shift ….. Today it is still a happy meeting place for local workers……”

Black Country Bugle (April 1994)
‘Some Warlocks, Witches and Wizards of Old Hell Lane’ by Ian Bott
“…..and the BULLS HEAD where Trilly Riley got up bull baits and badger hunts…..”

William Morgan was also a maltster. [1845], [1849], [1850], [1851]

1851 Census
Ettingshall Lane
[1] William Morgan (38), innkeeper, born Willenhall;
[2] Sarah Morgan (38), wife, born Willenhall;
[4] Mary O’Connor (22), general servant, born Ireland:

1861 Census
Ettingshall Lane
[1] Joseph Tipper (57), victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Jemmima Tipper (52), wife, born Sedgley;
[4] Sarah Parkes (22), servant, born Sedgley:

1871 Census
Mill Street
[1] John Preston (49), publican, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Mary Preston (49), wife, born Sedgley;
[6] Richard Preston (10), son, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Samuel Preston (7), son, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[8] James Tranter (18), boarder, coal miner, born Sedgley:

John Preston was married to Mary Ann.
He died on 14th April 1879.

1881 Census
Mill Street – BULLS HEAD
[1] John Robinson (26), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Rhoda Robinson (18), sister, unmarried, born Sedgley;
[3] Patsey McAnealy (31), boarder, roller in iron works, born Wolverhampton:

Richard Bates = Richard Bate

Smethwick Telephone 18/4/1891
“Knights of Labour ….. on Saturday evening the 4th inst. a farewell meeting was held at the BULLS HEAD INN, Ettingshall, by the members of LA 1001 upon the occasion of their removal to other premises.”
1891 Census
Union Street – BULLS HEAD
[1] Richard Bates (37), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Lucy Bates (38), wife, born Bedford;
[5] Isabella Bates (9), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[6] William Hicks (9), son in law, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[9] Richard Bates (77), grandfather, lives on his own means, born Lilleshall, Shropshire:

Richard Bates died on 29th January 1898.

1901 Census
55, Millfields Road
[1] Lucy Bates (46), widow, licensed victualler, born Bedford;
[8] Mary A. Ward (6), granddaughter, born Willenhall;
[9] Elizabeth Sutton (20), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

Thomas Lester was fined £10 and special costs of £4 4s 9d on 27th October 1933, for permitting the bar of his licensed premises to be used for the purpose of betting.
5th March 1934 – Order by King’s Bench Division to send conviction to be quashed on account of irregularities in proceedings.

It was the headquarters of the Ettingshall (Pigeon) Flying Club. [1968]
It had its own netball team which played in the Wolverhampton and District League. [1988]

[2003]
Closed [2006], [2012]

It was sold at auction for £151,000 on 5th March 2007.
BULLS HEAD
Wolverhampton Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Richard Palmer [1891]

NOTES

1891 Census
Wolverhampton Road – BULLS HEAD INN
[1] Richard Palmer (41), hotel manager, born Willenhall;
[2] Ann Maria Palmer (41), wife, born Willenhall;
[5] Roland Palmer (9), son, scholar, born Willenhall;
[8] Caroline M. Palmer (2), daughter, born Bilston:

Check NEW BULLS HEAD.
BUSH
High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES
HOLLY BUSH  [1818]
BUSH  [1822], [1834]

It had a beerhouse license.

John Hopkins, retailer of beer, High Street.  [1835]
BUSH

Lichfield Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Cooper [1818]
CALIFORNIA

36, Hatton Street, (12, John Street), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

James Fellows, blankmaker, Pool Street, Wolverhampton
Charles Showell, brewer, Birmingham
The Brewers’ Investment Cooperative Ltd.
Walter Showell and Sons, Walsall
Richard Sidney Wilson, maltster, Ackleton
John Downing, Black Horse Brewery, Dudley
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Cooper [1861] – 1887);
Salter Purcell (1887 – 1895);
Samuel Clark (1895);
Alfred Haynes (1895 – 1896);
Charles Henry Parsons (1896 – 1897);
George Robinson (1897 – 1898);
Walter Francis (1898);
Joseph Challenger (1898 – 1911);
Lydia Challenger (1911 – 1912);
John Morgan (1912 – 1913);
William Charles Palmer (1913 – 1915);
Daniel Corbett (1915 – 1922);
Alfred Henry Hale (1922 – [1940]

NOTES

12, John Street [1861]
36, Hatton Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

12, John Street
[1] George Cooper (39), publican, born Stourbridge;
[2] Rachel Cooper (38), wife, born Dudley;
[3] Eliza Cooke (19), niece, servant, born Birmingham;
[4] Simon Bledhill (80), father in law, born Aston:

George Cooper, beer retailer, John Street, Bradley. [1865]

Alfred Harper was convicted on 24th March 1896 on two cases of permitting gaming on licensed premises.
Tokens were issued by J. Challinger. (sic)

1901 Census
Hatton Street – CALIFORNIA INN
[2] Lydia Challenger (54), wife, born Tipton;
[3] James Challenger (27), son, roller of sheets in iron works, born Tipton;
[4] Joseph Challenger (23), son, labourer in iron works, born Tipton;
[6] George Challenger (14), son, school, born Bradley, Bilston:

Auction Catalogue (Alfred W. Dando & Co. Ltd.) 2nd June 1915
“…..Under Management. The exceedingly well-known and long established Public House situate close to several extensive works, in a thickly populated district and commanding a large trade, the accommodation comprising Entrance Passage, Tap Room front 22’ x 11’, Bar 10’ x 10’, Club Room 22’ x 11’, Private Sitting Room, outer Living Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Wash-house and Cellars together with Two-floor Brewery, large paved Yard and the usual Outbuildings…..”

Daniel Corbett was fined £1 and costs, on 3rd May 1916, for selling beer exceeding measure called for.

Alfred Hale = Alfred Hales

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, Second Division.  [1946]
CAPE OF GOOD HOPE
6, (5), Mount Pleasant, BILSTON

OWNERS
Martha Lee

LICENSEES
Edward Griffiths [1861]
Martha Lee [1871] – 1886:

NOTES
5, Mount Pleasant [1861]
6, Mount Pleasant [1881]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
5, Mount Pleasant – CAPE OF GOOD HOPE
[1] Edward Griffiths (21), beer retailer, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Griffiths (22), wife, born Bilston:

1871 Census
Mount Pleasant
[1] Martha Lee (28), widow, licensed victualler, born Harley [Highley], Shropshire:

1881 Census
6, Mount Pleasant – beer shop CAPE OF GOOD HOPE
[1] Martha Lee (40), widow, publican, born Highley, Shropshire;
[2] Catherine Franks (17), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

The license was taken away in 1886. – No application for transfer (not required).
CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Jenks  [1818] – [1822]
Hartshorne   [1828] – [1830]
Richard Nicholls  [1851]

NOTES

James Jenks was also a shopkeeper.  [1818]
CASTLE

76, (77), Church Street / Wood Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

The Misses Briscoe, ladies, Kingswinford
Silas Caddick, butcher, Wednesfield
Joseph Whitehouse and Co. Ltd., Talbot Brewery, Smethwick
Showells Brewery Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp (leased)
Ansealls Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Chamberlain [1818]
Samuel Spencer [1822] – [1845]
Mrs. Sophia Spencer [1849] – [1858]
Edward Satterthwaite [1861]
John Slater Lloyd [1864] – [1865]
John Handle [1871]
William Smith [1868] – 1875];
Daniel John Lovatt (1875 – 1876);
William Brereton (1876 – 1884);
John Fowler (1884 – 1895);
Charles Atkins (1895 – 1897);
Charles Henry Wilson (1897 – 1899);
John Henry Walters (1899 – 1900);
William Alexander Penness (?) (1900);
John Goulcher (1900 – 1901);
Elizabeth Jones (1901 – 1902);
Frederick Russell Haley (1902 – 1903);
John Lester (1903 – 1904);
Albert George Jevons (1904);
Thomas Kelly (1904 – 1905);
Thomas George Cartwright (1905 – 1907);
George Birkenhead (1907 – 1908);
Jesse Harper (1908 – 1909);
Charles David Beynon (1909 – 1910);
George Frank Kirk Wheatley (1910 – 1911);
Thomas Roberts (1911);
Thomas Tranter (1911 – 1913);
William Vaughan (1913 – 1914);
Francis Sheldon (1914 – 1915);
Thomas Roberts (1915 – 1922);
Leonard Woodhall (1922 – 1923);
Sydney Victor Harold Ward (1923 – [1940]
A W Myatt [1976]
NOTES
77, Church Street  [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1884], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1904]
76, Church Street  [1901], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1940]
Samuel Spencer was also a house furnisher.  [1834]

1861 Census
77, Church Street
[1] Edward Satterthwaite (38), licensed victualler, born Kenilworth;
[4] Margaret Morris (21), general servant, born Birmingham;
[5] Catherine Darkin (19), nurse maid, born Bilston:

1871 Census
77, Church Street
[1] John Handley (35), publican, born Nounhill (?), Derbyshire;
[2] Hannah Handley (33), wife, born Northenden, Cheshire;
[4] Sarah Ellen Handley (7), daughter, scholar, born Manchester;
[6] Philis Purcal (16), general servant, born Bilston:

William Brereton = William Breton

Dudley Herald 26/8/1876
“Death of Daniel John Lovatt, late landlord of the CASTLE INN, Church Street, Bilston, which occurred on 15th inst. ….. Joseph Eldershaw, the man who stands charged with having inflicted the injury which resulted in the deceased’s death ….. verdict of manslaughter.”

1881 Census
77, Church Street – CASTLE INN
[1] William Brereton (42), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Alice Brereton (44), wife, born Liverpool;
[4] Albert E. Brereton (15), son, assistant in iron sheet mills, born Bow, Middlesex;
[7] Alice C. E. Brereton (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Minnie A. C. Brereton (4), daughter, born Bilston:

1891 Census
77, Church Street
[1] John Fowler (56), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Fowler (23), wife, born York;
[4] Elizabeth Fowler (2 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Harriet Glover (22), general servant, born Coseley:
1901 Census
76, Church Street – CASTLE INN
[1] John Goulcher (22), public house manager, born Darlaston;
[4] Florence E. Bennett (18), general servant, born Wolverhampton;

1911 Census
76, Church Street – CASTLE INN
[1] Thomas Roberts (33), manager hotel, born Sedgley;
[2] Lily Selina Roberts (30), wife, married 7 years, assisting in business, born Dudley;
[4] Beatrice Thombs (23), sister in law, domestic servant, born Dudley:

It closed circa 1975.
CHURCH
Millfields Road (Bell Lane) / Little Church Street, (Union Street), BILSTON

OWNERS
William Jeffers, grocer, Ward Street, Ettingshall
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES
Walter Giles  [1873] – 1877);
Samuel Potts  (1877 – 1879);
John Whittle Snr.  (1879 – 1890);
John Whittle Jnr.  (1890);
Thomas Robinson  (1890 – 1892);
Edward Evans  (1892 – 1919);
Susan Evans  (1919 – 1924);
David Scotto  (1924 – 1932);
George Scotto  (1932 – 1934):

NOTES
Union Street  [1881], [1911]
Millfields Road  [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

Midland Counties Evening Express 12/2/1875
“Walter Giles, landlord of the CHURCH beerhouse, was summoned for permitting drunkenness in his house ….. case dismissed.”

1881 Census
Union Street – The CHURCH INN
[1] John Whittle (44), publican, born Princes End;
[3] John Whittle (23), son, puddler, born Princes End;
[4] Isaac Whittle (20), son, underhand roller, born Princes End;
[5] Annie Jackson (8), niece, scholar, born Wednesbury:

Evening Star 9/6/1882
“John Whittle, landlord of the CHURCH INN, Bell Lane, Bilston, was charged with keeping his house open during prohibited hours. At 11.20 on the evening of Sunday, the 28th ult, Police-sergeant O’Brien saw three men coming from the house named, and one had a can with some ale in. He went to the house and found fresh froth in the measure.
The defence was that the ale had been paid for before the hour for closing, but was drawn after closing time, by the landlord’s son. The landlord was at the time in bed.
As this was the defendant’s first offence, he was only fined 5s and costs.”
1891 Census
Union Street – The CHURCH INN

[1] Thomas Robinson (30), licensed victualler, born Dudley;
[2] Elizabeth Robinson (33), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Thomas Robinson (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Kate Robinson (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Sarah Hill (13), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Edward Evans, beer retailer, Millfields Road. [1904], [1912]
He died in 1919.

License refused by Compensation Authority on 3rd February 1934.
Compensation of £2,250 was paid on 23rd June 1934.

Closed
Demolished
The site was occupied by Hazeldine Coaches [1986]
CLUB HOUSE

Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Henry Holloway   [1873]

NOTES

The license was abandoned.
COACH AND HORSES

Coseley Row, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Preston  [1828]
COCK

Church Street / Lichfield Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ann Law, widow, 2, Osborne Terrace, Wolverhampton

LICENSEES

William Tomkys  [1818] – [1830]
John Poole      [1833]
Miss Maria Tomkys [1834] – [1850]
John Ricketts   [1858]
John Law Tomkys  [1864] – [1865]
James Settle    [1873]

NOTES

Lichfield Street  [1833], [1834], [1835], [1841]
Church Street    [1864]

Miss Maria Tomkys, beer retailer, Church Street. [1849], [1850]

License renewal refused at Annual Licensing Meeting, 22nd August 1892, since the license had not been taken out for 18 years.
COCK

44, (62), (30), Willenhall Road, (30, Cold Lanes), (Coal Lane), Mount Pleasant, BILSTON

OWNERS

George Marson, gentleman, licensed victualler, Sweetman Street, Whitmore Reans, Wolverhampton
Louisa Georgiana Marson, Sweetman Street, Whitmore Reans, Wolverhampton
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Stephen Hill [1818] – [1822]
John Hughes [1834] – [1842]
Edward Mattocks* [1845] – [1854]
E Maddox* [1858]
J M Parsons [1861]
John Whittaker [1861]
John Philip Lewis [1864] – [1870]
Alfred Satterthwaite [1872]
George Marson [1873] – 1879);
Samuel Vaughan (1879 – 1883);
Mary Marson (1883 – 1885);
George Harvey (1885 – 1892);
John Silvester (1892 – 1898);
Samuel Joseph Salt (1898 – 1901);
Thomas Lloyd (1901 – 1904);
William Harper (1904 – 1905);
Albert Edward Ashton (1905 – 1906);
George Davies (1906 – 1938);
Augustus Hutchinson Davies (1938 – [1940]
F J Mills [1983]
Amrik Singh Sanghera [2005]

NOTES

Cold Lanes [1818], [1861], [1881]
Coal Lane [1822], [1858]
Cold Lane [1835]
Cold Lane, Mount Pleasant [1849], [1850]
30, Cold Lanes [1861]
30, Willenhall Road [1891]
62, Willenhall Road [1912]
44, Willenhall Road [1990]

It was locally listed.

Edward Mattocks = Edward Maddox

* possibly the same person

1999
1861 Census
30, Cold Lanes – COCK INN
[1] John Whittaker (31), victualler, born Mobbley, Cheshire;
[3] Mary Jane Whittaker (9), daughter, born Mobbley, Cheshire;
[4] Joseph Whittaker (6), son, born Mobbley, Cheshire;
[5] Sarah Ann Whittaker (3), daughter, born Peover, Cheshire:
[Mobbley is probably Mobberley.]

George Marson was also a coal dealer. [1873]
George Marson = George Marston

1881 Census
Cock Inn – Cold Lanes
[1] Samuel Vaughan (41), publican, born Wem, Shropshire;
[6] Mary Vaughan (8), daughter, scholar, born Wem, Shropshire;
[7] Edward Vaughan (8), son, scholar, born Wem, Shropshire;
[8] Andrew Vaughan (6), son, scholar, born Wem, Shropshire:

1891 Census
30, Willenhall Road – COCK INN
[1] George E. Harvey (50), general labourer and publican, born Newport, Shropshire;
[2] Mary Ann Harvey (49), wife, born Tipton;
[3] Florence Harvey (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Edna H. Harvey (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Minnie E. Harvey (5), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

George Davies was fined £5 and costs, on 3rd April 1908, for permitting drunkenness.

Demolished
It was rebuilt in the 1930’s.

Augustus H. Davies was the son of George Davies.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

[1986]

It was renamed the HUSTLER. [1999], [2005]

Closed [2007], [2012]
COMMERCIAL

Highfields Road, ((56), Ash Street), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
Old Wolverhampton Breweries Ltd.
Frank Myatt Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Skidmore  (1868) – (1881)
Daniel Rowley  (1892)
Albert Coates  (1896)
John Skidmore  (1900)
Mrs. Caroline Penson  (1901) – 1903);
William Henry Williams  (1903 – 1906);
Charles Smith  (1906 – 1909);
Arthur Fullard  (1909);
Richard Albert Yardley  (1909 – 1912);
Joseph Edward Turton  (1912 – 1916);
George Wilfred Haywood Dallow  (1916);
Alfred Jeavons  (1916 – 1921);
George Henry Percival  (1921 – 1924);
Harry Frederick Reynolds  (1924 – 1925);
Ernest Job Nicholls  (1925);
Reuben Job Walker  (1925 – 1929);
Thomas Ryman  (1929 – 1930);
James Wilkinson  (1930 – 1931);
Harold Bullock  (1931 – 1932):

NOTES

Ash Street  [1881]
56, Ash Street  [1901]
Highfields Road

1881 Census
Ash Street
[1] John Skidmore (58), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
[2] Mary A. Skidmore (49), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Elizabeth Skidmore (23), daughter, born Sedgley;
[7] John Skidmore (20), son, born Sedgley;
[8] David Skidmore (18), son, born Sedgley;
[9] David Skidmore (78), uncle, gentleman, born Tipton;
[10] Elizabeth Barnfield (22), general domestic servant, born Scotland:
1901 Census
56, Ash Street
[1] Caroline Penson (49), widow, licensed victualler, born Brierley Hill;
[2] Percy Richard Penson (16), son, draper’s assistant, born Bilston;
[3] Annie Evans (22), domestic servant, born Deepfields;
[4] Mary Elizabeth Roper (14), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Caroline Penson died on 27th December 1903.

1911 Census
Bradley – COMMERCIAL HOTEL
[1] Richard Alfred Yardley (43), licensed victualler, born Chalton, Shropshire;
[2] Emma Yardley (37), wife, married 9 years, assisting in business, born Alveley, Shropshire;
[4] Selina Millership (27), visitor, domestic servant, born Worfield, Shropshire;
[5] Thomas Baylis (21), boarder, grocer’s shop assistant, born Tamworth;
[6] Mary Baylis (22), boarder, born Walsall:

Harry Frederick Reynolds was fined £5, on 28th November 1924, for supplying beer during prohibited hours for consumption.

Application for the removal of this license to the MOUNT PLEASANT INN, Sedgley, was granted on 9th April 1932.
It closed on 9th April 1932.
COOPERS ARMS
Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Robert Haynes  [1818]

NOTES
Robert Haynes was also a cooper.  [1818]
COTTAGE SPRING

20, (89), Dudley Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Millward, out of business, Dudley Street, Bilston
Elizabeth Dangerfield, Westborough, Portland
Mrs. C. H. Reid, Pryse House, St. John’s Chapel, Bisham
Alfred A. Millward, 6, St. Georges Terrace, London
Frank Myatt Ltd.
William Butlers and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Samuel Harper   [1873] – 1878);
Richard Picken Jones   (1878 – 1884);
Jesse Skinner   (1884 – 1890);
Mrs. Alice Skinner   (1890 – 1906);
Richard Bates   (1906 – 1908);
Rhoda Attwood   (1908);
George William Crockett   (1908 – 1909);
Albert Maddocks   (1909 – 1910);
Joseph Hadley   (1910 – 1913);
Elizabeth Baldwin   (1913):

NOTES

89, Dudley Street   [1873], [1881], [1891]
20, Dudley Street   [1901], [1904], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

It was known locally as “Pretty Polly’s”.

Jesse Skinner was married to Alice.
He died on 23rd March 1890.

1881 Census
89, Dudley Street – COTTAGE SPRING INN
[1] Richard P. Jones (29), beer retailer, born Bilston;
[7] John Marion (61), grandfather, widower, locksmith, born Bilston;
[8] Elizabeth Taylor (70), visitor, widow, formerly tailoress, born Bilston:
1891 Census
89, Dudley Street – COTTAGE SPRING
[1] Alice Skinner (50), widow, beer retailer, born Coseley;
[3] Percy A. Skinner (10), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Job Skinner (76), father in law, widower, railway pensioner, born Southborough, Kent:

Mrs. Alice Skinner, beer retailer, 89, Dudley Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
20, Dudley Street – COTTAGE SPRING INN
[1] Alice Skinner (60), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Sedgley;
[3] Clara Louisa Price (33), daughter, born Sedgley;
[7] Gladys Price (11 months), granddaughter, born Bilston:

Mrs. Alice Skinner, beer retailer, 20, Dudley Street.  [1904]

Joseph Hadley, beer retailer, 20, Dudley Street.  [1912]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 24th July 1913.
Compensation of £375 was paid on 24th December 1913.
License extinguished 31st December 1913.

The premises became a barber's shop.
It was demolished circa 1968.
CRICKETERS ARMS

106, (63), Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Austin and Co. [1868], [1870]
Richard Austin and Son [1873]
William Cardell, Birmingham
Henry Plant and Sons [1896]
William Butler & Co. Ltd. [1904]

LICENSEES

Joseph Baker [1861] – [1865]
Henry Hall [1871]
Richard Austin [1873] – 1874);
John Austin (1874 – 1876);
Henry Hall (1876 – 1881);
Samuel Fellows (1881);
John Henry Walker (1881 – 1882);
Thomas Henry Smith (1882 – 1885);
Samuel William Underwood (1885 – 1886);
Alfred Brown (1886 – 1888);
Eugenie Ann Satterthwaite (1888 – 1891);
James Clarke (1891 – 1900);
Frederick William Plant (1900);
Mrs. Sarah Best (Clarke) Kirk (1900 – 1931);
Stephen Cook (1931 – 1934);

NOTES

63, Church Street [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1873], [1879], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896]
106, Church Street [1916], [1932]

It stood opposite to the LEOPARD.

It had a beerhouse license.

Spirit vaults [1868], [1870]

1861 Census

63, Church Street
[3] Harriet Smith (30), visitor, born London:
1871 Census
63, Church Street
[1] Henry Hall (35), publican, born Cirencester;
[2] Louisa Hall (30), wife, born Kidderminster;
[5] Maria Davis (16), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Richard Austin and Sons were also wine merchants of Easy Row, Birmingham. They lived in Edgbaston. [1873]

1881 Census
63, Church Street
[1] Henry Hall (45), licensed victualler, born Cirencester;
[2] Louisa A. Hall (39), wife, born Kidderminster;

1891 Census
63, Church Street
[2] Eugenie A. Satterthwaite (32), wife, public house manager, born Bilston;
[5] Hannah Satterthwaite (54), mother, widow, living on her own means, born Wednesbury;
[7] Florence P. Salt (14), general servant, born Bilston:

James Clarke = James Clark

Sarah Best Clarke married William Kirk on 4th April 1901.

The license was refused by the Compensation Authority on 3rd February 1934.
Compensation of £1,800 was paid on 24th December 1934.
License extinguished 31st December 1934.
CROSS

Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edward Crow  [1851]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Check GOLDEN CROSS
CROSS GUNS
4, Hartshorn Street, BILSTON

OWNERS
Joseph Johnson
Henry James Mills
Samuel Burrows, innkeeper, Bilston
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES
Joseph Johnson  [1868] – 1878);
Adam Bailey  (1878 – 1880);
John Higgins  (1880 – 1884);
Thomas Johnson  (1884 – 1885);
James Percival  (1885);
Richard Roberts  (1885 – 1889);
Henry James Mills  (1889 – 1894);
Richard Jones  (1894 – 1897);
Minnie Shorthouse  (1897 – 1898);
Alfred Pugh  (1898 – 1902);
James Elledge  (1902 – 1903);
Joseph Bunting  (1903 – 1904);
George Jones  (1904 – 1906);
James Piper  (1906 – 1907);
Thomas Stafford Maddocks  (1907 – 1908);
James Thomas Elledge  (1908 – 1911);
Percy William Griffiths  (1911 – 1923);
Ernest Langford  (1923 – 1925);
Beatrice (Langford) Harrison  (1925 – 1931);
Igal Alfred Sidaway  (1931 – [1940]

NOTES
It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Johnson, brassfounder and beer retailer, Hartshorn Street.  [1868]

1871 Census
Hartshorne Street
[1] Joseph Johnson (52), brass caster and publican, born Swindon, Staffordshire;
[2] Anne Johnson (49), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Thomas Johnson (23), son, brass caster, born Coseley;
[6] Henry Johnson (18), son, iron moulder, born Wordsley;
[7] Elizabeth Johnson (16), daughter, domestic servant, born Wordsley;
[8] Sarah Johnson (14), daughter, domestic servant, born Wordsley;
[9] Fanny Johnson (13), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[10] Martha Johnson (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:
1881 Census
Hartshorne Street
[3] Daniel Higgins (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah Higgins (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Frederick Higgins (2 months), son, born Bilston;
[8] M. A. Stokes (22), general servant, born Tipton:

Richard Jones, beer retailer, Hartshorn Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
4, Hartshorne Street
[1] Alfred Pugh (33), publican / boilermaker, born Sedgley;
[2] Alice Pugh (32), wife, born Wombourne;
[5] Rose Bennett (19), general servant, born Bilston:

Joseph Bunting, beer retailer, 4, Hartshorn Street.  [1904]

Percy Griffiths, beer retailer, Hartshorn Street.  [1912]

Ernest Langford died on 2nd February 1925.

Beatrice Langford married Bert Harrison on 1st June 1929.

Closed
Demolished
CROWN

16, (58), Bank Street, (58, Bilston Street), (Hallfields), (Hall Green), (Bradley Bridge), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Harris, labourer, Coppice, Sedgley
Israel Bailey
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Edward Hand  [1828] – [1835]
John Hand  [1841] – [1854]
John Ruscoe  [1845]
James Welch  [1850]
Richard Talbot  [1851]
Thomas Allen  [1854]
Abraham Hazeldine  [1861] – [1865]
John Veal  [1868] – [1876];
Israel Bailey  (1876 – 1889);
Alfred Birch  (1889);
Charles Henry Birch  (1889 – 1890);
Lucy Ann Insley  (1890 – 1891);
Joseph Parker  (1891 – 1893);
Lucy Ann Parker  (1893 – 1896);
Henry David Morgan  (1896);
Richard Davis  (1896 – 1897);
George Harry Share  (1897 – 1898);
Thomas Marshall  (1898 – 1900);
Elizabeth Marshall  (1900 – [ ]
Oliver Summers  [1901] – 1926);
Alfred Bert Summers  (1926 – [1940]
Roland Summers  [c. 1950]

NOTES

Hall Green  [1830]
Hallfields  [1841]
Bilston Street, Hallfields  [1865], [1868]
58, Bilston Street  [1871], [1881], [1896]
58, Bank Street  [1901]
16, Bank Street  [1911], [1912]

OLD CROWN  [1851], [1854]

It had a beerhouse license.
Black Country Bugle
Letter from S. J. Smith
“…..with its spitoons and clean sawdust on the floor, and on the bar, baskets of squares of cheese and pieces of bread…..”

Edward Hand, retail brewer, Canalside, Bradley. [1833]

Edward Hand, retailer of beer, Bradley Bridge. [1835]

John Hand, beer retailer, Hallfields. [1841]

John Veal, spirit vaults, Bilston Street, Hallfields. [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census
58, Bilston Street – CROWN
[1] John Veal (44), publican, born Willenhall;
[2] Ann Veal (42), wife, born Willenhall;
[3] Agness Veal (14), daughter, pupil teacher at St. Martin’s, born Willenhall;
[5] John Veal (10), son, scholar, born Willenhall;
[6] Harry Veal (8), son, scholar, born Willenhall:

1881 Census
58, Bilston Street – CROWN INN
[1] Israel Bailey (54), licensed victualler, born Darlaston;
[3] Eliza Rhone (19), general servant, born Bilston:

Evening Star 17/1/1882
“On Monday afternoon an inquest was held by H. Brevitt, Esq, deputy coroner, at the CROWN INN, Bilston Street, Hallfields, on the body of Mrs. Elizabeth Bailey (wife of Mr. Isaac Bailey) who died under circumstances already reported. A verdict that deceased died from Natural Causes was returned.”

Alfred Birch died on 12th December 1889.

1891 Census
Bilston Street – CROWN INN
[1] Joseph Parker (44), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Lucy A. Parker (45), wife, born Bloxwich;
[3] Harold Insley (9), stepson, born Walsall;
[4] Louisa Aston (20), general servant, born Dudley:

Joseph Parker died on 10th August 1893.

Elizabeth Marshall was convicted, for selling during prohibited hours, on 8th May 1900.
1901 Census
58, Bank Street
[1] Oliver Summers (40), ironworker and publican, born Princes End;
[2] Elizabeth Summers (34), wife, born Coseley;
[4] Alfred B. Summers (6), son, born Princes End;
[5] Walter C. Summers (9 months), son, born Princes End;
[7] Rebecca Dyke (15), domestic servant, born Coseley;
[8] William Round (60), father in law, widower, puddler, born Coseley:

1911 Census
16, Bank Street
[1] Oliver Summers (51), publican, born Bilston St, Princes End;
[2] Elizabeth Summers (44), wife, married 21 years, assisting in business, born Coseley;
[3] Charles Summers (18), son, shingler, born Coseley;
[4] Alfred Summers (16), son, butcher’s assistant, born Princes End;
[5] Walter Summers (10), son, school, born Princes End;
[6] Roland Summers (8), son, school, born Bradley:

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]

Roland Summers was also a fireman.
CROWN

18, Millfields Road, (18, Mill Street), Ettingshall, (Catchem), BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Evans, farmer, Wednesfield
Samuel Evans, farmer, Wednesfield
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Maybury (1864 – 1883);
Edward Dawson (1883 – 1884);
Thirsa Dawson (1884 – 1898);
Elizabeth Thomas (1898 – 1903);
Jabez Guy (1903 – 1909);
William Edward Leach (1909 – 1912);
George Evans (1912 – 1913);
Samuel Jones (1913 – 1915);
William Cadman (1915 – 1916);
Harold William Cave (1916 – 1923);
Francis George Yates (1923 – 1927);
Robert Rully (1927 – 1929);
Francis George Yates (1929 – 1934);
Joseph Mason (1934 – 1938)

NOTES

18, Mill Street (1881), (1901)

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Maybury, beer retailer, Ettingshall. [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870]

1881 Census
18, Mill Street – CROWN INN
[1] Joseph Maybury (65), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Emma Maybury (66), wife, born Ettingshall:

Joseph Maybury died on 1st November 1883.

1901 Census
18, Mill Street
[1] David Thomas (62), tailor, born North Wales;
[2] Elizabeth Thomas (61), wife, born Heath Town:

Jabez Guy, beer retailer, Ettingshall. [1904]

The license was surrendered in February 1957.
CROWN

Brierley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Isaac Smithiman  [1835]
Elizabeth Smithiman  [1841] – [1842]
CROWN AND ANCHOR

2+3, Ettingshall Road, (Can Lane), Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

Sarah Stanley

LICENSEES

Simeon Stanley [1861 – 1875];
Mrs. Sarah Stanley (1875 – ]

NOTES

1861 Census
Can Lane – CROWN AND ANCHOR INN
[1] Simeon Stanley (55), retail brewer, born Sedgley;
[2] Sarah Stanley (45), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Mary Nichols (15), servant, born Sedgley:

1871 Census
2 and 3, Ettingshall Road
[1] Simeon Stanley (64), publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Sarah Stanley (54), wife, born Sedgley:

The license was abandoned.
CROWN AND ANCHOR

129, (60), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Joseph Banks
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Banks   [1861] – 1878);
David Smith   (1878 – 1884);
Thomas Cooke   (1884 – 1890);
Joseph Maullin   (1890);
Alfred Wood   (1890 – 1892);
William Darbey   (1892 – 1895);
Joel Ashcroft   (1895 – 1896);
William Harper   (1896 – 1899);
Henry Tertius Hodgkiss   (1899 – 1900);
William Painter   (1900);
Samuel Simkins   (1900 – 1901);
Julia Simkins   [1901] ?
Emily (Challis) Freeman   (1901 – 1902);
Henry Smith   (1902 – 1903);
Mary Hill   (1903);
Charles Carpenter   (1903 – 1904);
Henry Newman Bates   (1904);
William Lloyd   (1904 – 1906);
Horace Wakelam   (1906 – 1907):

NOTES

60, Oxford Street   [1861], [1871], [1881], [1891]
129, Oxford Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
60, Oxford Street – CROWN AND CUSHION (sic)
[1] Joseph Banks (40), locksmith, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Banks (45), wife, born Burslem, Staffordshire;
[3] Agnes Fall (4), granddaughter, born Bradley, Staffordshire:

Joseph Banks, beer retailer, 60, Oxford Street.   [1865], [1868]

1871 Census
60, Oxford Street
[1] Joseph Banks (51), brewer, born Willenhall;
[2] Sarah Banks (56), wife, born the Potteries;
[3] Sarah Fell (7), granddaughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
[4] Sarah Fellows (4), niece, scholar, born Bilston:
1881 Census
60, Oxford Street – CROWN AND ANCHOR
[1] *David Smith* (43), beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Smith (36), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Clara Smith (15), daughter, born Darlaston;
[4] Emily A. Smith (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Florence A. Smith (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Sarah L. Smith (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] David W. P. Smith (1), son, born Bilston:

1891 Census
60, Oxford Street – The CROWN AND ANCHOR
[1] *Alfred Wood* (36), ledger clerk and publican, born Brewood, Staffordshire;
[3] Beatrice A. Wood (11), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Hannah Wood (71), mother, living on her own means, born Coven, Staffordshire;
[6] Bridget Commons (14), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
Oxford Street – CROWN AND ANCHOR
[1] *Julia Simkins* (50), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[3] Samuel Simkins (17), son, coal miner loader, born Bilston;
[5] Elias Cartwright (71), father, widower, iron works labourer, born Bilston;
[6] Louisa Smith (43), sister, born Bilston:

*Emily Challis* married Albert Joseph Freeman on 21st August 1901.

*Charles Carpenter*, beer retailer, 129, Oxford Street.  [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 18th June 1907.
Compensation of £275 was paid on 12th October 1907.
License extinguished 19th October 1907.
It stood on the site of the present Wesleyan Chapel.

It was originally Loxdale Hall.
CROWN AND CUSHION

31, (5), Bank Street, (5, Bilston Street), (Hallfields), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Whitmore Lathe,
Messrs Chater and Co, brewers, Wolverhampton
J. and J. Yardley, brewers, Wolverhampton
The Old Wolverhampton Breweries Ltd.
Frank Myatt Ltd.  (acquired in 1919)
Holt Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ansells Ltd.  [c.1960]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.  (acquired 1996)
Keilyn Enterprises  (Keith and Lyn Garbett)  (acquired 1998)

LICENSEEES

Arthur Wright  [1854] – [1870]
Annie Harris  [ ]
Whitmer Lathe  [1871] – [1895];
Thomas Price  (1895 – 1898);
Mrs. Annie Boulton  (1898 – 1899);
William Felix Williams  (1899 – [1904]
William Toby Williams  [ ] – 1904);
Alice Andrews  (1904 – 1910);
Mrs. Elizabeth Rice  (1910 – 1913);
William Burke  (1913 – 1915);
William Palmer  [1916]  ?
Herbert Ashley  (1915 – 1916);
John Preston  (1916);
Frank Harris  (1916 – 1919);
James Paul Picken  (1919 – 1922);
Frank Davies  (1922 – 1924);
Albert Horace Severn  (1924 – 1925);
Thomas ‘Tom’ Fellows  (1925 – [1940]
Dick Yeomans  [ ]
Elsie Yeoman  (1960’s]
Carol Brookes  [1999]
Susan Marklew  [2005]

NOTES

5, Bilston Street  [1861], [1871], [1872], [1881], [1891]
Bilston Street  [1865], [1868]
5, Bank Street  [c. 1901]
31, Bank Street  [1904], [1912], [1916], [1932], [1940]
Arthur Wright, victualler, Hallfields, was appointed as an overseer in April 1858.

1861 Census
5, Bilston Street – CROWN AND CUSHION
[1] Arthur Wright (32), widower, innkeeper, born Fradley, Staffordshire;
[2] Emma Wright (12), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[3] Alfred Wright (10), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Isaac Scott (22), visitor, charcoal refiner, born Abercarn, Monmouthshire;
[6] Emma Scott (5 months), born Madeley, Shropshire;
[7] James Haseltine (63), servant, born Witchnor, Staffordshire;
[8] Hannah Higgs (16), servant, born Bilston:

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1871 Census
5, Bilston Street – CROWN AND CUSHION (sic)
[1] Whitmer Lathe (36), licensed victualler, born Penn;
[2] Mary A. Lathe (29), wife, born Kingswinford;
[3] Elizabeth Lathe (9), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
[5] Jane Ferguson (16), general servant, born Kingswinford:

1881 Census
5, Bilston Street – CROWN AND CUSHION
[1] Whitmer Lathe (50), victualler, innkeeper, born Penn;
[2] Mary Ann Lathe (40), wife, born Stourbridge;
[4] Sarah Ann Lathe (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Carrie Lathe (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Eliza Hammonds (18), domestic servant, born Sedgley;
[7] Emma Green (14), domestic servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
5, Bilston Street – CROWN AND CUSHION
[1] Whitmer Lathe (60), publican, born Penn;
[2] Mary Ann Lathe (48), wife, born Brierley Hill;
[5] Ann McPherson (57), widow, general servant, born Birmingham:

1901 Census
Bank Street – CROWN AND CUSHION
[2] Lucy Williams (22), wife, born West Ham, Essex;
[3] Minnie L. Williams (16), sister, born Bilston:

Bilston and Willenhall Times 2/6/1928
“The third annual marathon race was run on Whit Monday from the CROWN AND CUSHION HOTEL, Bradley, the distance being 3 miles 350 yards. This annual event at Bradley is becoming more popular than ever, and great crowds took a considerable interest in it. Mr. Tom Fellows was the handicapper and time keeper…..”
A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, Second Division. [1946]

It was demolished in the 1960’s.
It was rebuilt on the opposite diagonal corner.

It was the headquarters of the Bradley [pigeon] Flying Club. [2004] [2010]

Closed [2011], [2012]
**DOG AND PARTRIDGE**

47, (38), (65), (23), Broad Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Joseph John Bull, beerhouse keeper, Darlaston
Isaiah Martin
Harmer and Co.  (leased)
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Isaac Roper  
Ambrose Roper  [1858] – [1870]
John Jackson  [1870] – 1873;
Thomas Parker  (1873 – 1875);
Isaiah Martin  (1875 – 1898);
Major George Cox  (1898);
George Burrows  (1898 – 1901);
William Thomas Ash  (1901);
Major George Cox  (1901 – 1904);
Mrs. Rose Waldon  [1904]  (?)
Henry Herbert Nuttall  (1904 – 1906);
Louisa Martin  (1906 – 1907);
Joseph Bagley  (1907);
Major George Cox  (1907 – 1909);
General Greaves Cox  (1909 – 1910);
Captain Tideswell Cox  (1910 – 1917);
Mrs. Frances Mary Cox  (1917 – 1939);
Horace Richard Lowndes  (1939 – [1940]
Dennis Jones  
Robert Collins  [1986]
Satnam Sandhu  [2005]

**NOTES**

23, Broad Street  [1864], [1865]
65, Broad Street  [1873], [1874], [1881], [1892], [1896]
38, Broad Street  [1901], [1904], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1932], [1940], [1994], [1998]
47, Broad Street  [2003]

It was known locally as “The Dog and Devil”.

**OLD DOG AND PARTRIDGE**  [1858], [1861]
Isaac Roper was also a miner. He was the brother of Frank.

1861 Census
Broad Street – DOG AND PARTRIDGE
[1] Ambrose Roper (30), innkeeper, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah Owen (16), servant, born Wolverhampton:

John Jackson, beer retailer, Broad Street. [1870]

1871 Census
Broad Street – DOG AND PARTRIDGE
[1] John Jackson (47), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Jackson (41), wife, born Darlaston;
[3] John Jackson (18), son, roller’s assistant, born Bilston;
[4] George T. Jackson (17), son, roller’s assistant, born Bilston;
[6] Sarah A. Jackson (14), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Clara Jackson (13), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Samuel Jackson (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Martha Jackson (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[10] Pamler Jackson (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[12] Jane Muston (20), general servant, born Scotland:

1881 Census
65, Broad Street – DOG AND PARTRIDGE
[1] Isaiah Martin (49), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
[2] Mary A. Martin (50), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Selfeearer Smith (20), general servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
65, Broad Street
[1] Isaiah Martin (57), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
[2] Mary A. Martin (70), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Mary Lewis (19), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
38, Broad Street
[1] William T. Ash (27), licensed victualler, born Willenhall;
[2] Rosannah Ash (26), wife, born Portobello;
[3] Percy Ash (1), son, born Portobello;
[4] Annie Richards (17), domestic servant, born Portobello:
1911 Census
38, Broad Street
[1] Captain Tideswell Cox (29), licensed victualler, born Bradley;
[2] Frances Mary Cox (26), wife, married 4 years, born Princes End;
[4] Harriet Wilson (22), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Frances Mary Cox was fined £5 and special costs of £3 3s 0d, for aiding and abetting consumption of intoxicating liquor during non-permitted hours.

Closed
Demolished circa 1970.
It was rebuilt on the opposite side of the road.

Dennis Jones was married to Pat.
He died on 13th August 2008, aged 88.
See also FORGE HAMMER, OLD BUSH, Bradley, and ROCKET POOL.

[2010]
DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE

14, (39), Cambridge Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Richard Atkiss
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Richard Atkiss [1868] – 1875;
Thomas Beaman (1875 – 1886);
Mrs. Sarah Jane Beaman (1886 – 1921);
John Silvester (1921 – 1923);
John Henry Marshall (1923 – 1937);
Louisa May Marshall (1937 – 1938);
Henry Crookes Hibbert (1938 – [1940])

NOTES

39, Cambridge Street [1874], [1881], [1884], [1892], [1896]
14, Cambridge Street [1904], [1912], [1916], [1940]

Richard Atkiss was also a coal dealer.

1871 Census
Cambridge Street – DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE
[1] Richard Atkiss (47), publican and coal miner, born Bilston;
[4] Eliza Atkiss (17), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Agnes Atkiss (11), daughter, scholar, born Willenhall;
[8] Abraham Atkiss (9), son, scholar, born Willenhall;
[9] Frank Atkiss (7), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[11] Mary Lovatt (16), general servant, born Willenhall:

1881 Census
39, Cambridge Street – DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE
[1] Thomas Beaman (37), innkeeper, born Moxley;
[5] Mary Sambridge (19), general servant, born Willenhall:
**1891 Census**

39, Cambridge Street

[1] Thomas Beaman (47), licensed victualler, born Moxley;
[2] Sarah J. Beaman (41), wife, born Moxley;
[3] Maude M. Beaman (17), daughter, barmaid, born Moxley;
[6] Ethel M. Beaman (2), daughter, born Moxley;
[7] Sidney Adkiss (10), nephew, scholar, born Moxley;
[8] Caroline R. Wilson (20), domestic servant, born Daisy Bank:

*Thomas Beaman was married to Sarah Jane.*

He was still listed in Kelly’s 1896 Directory.

**1901 Census**

Cambridge Street – DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE

[1] Sarah Jane Beaman (51), widow, licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[4] Edith Helen Beaman (14), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Edith Mary Akers (22), domestic servant, born Bilston;
[6] Elizabeth Clark (22), domestic servant, born Moxley:

Closed

It was demolished circa 1965.
DUKE OF WELLINGTON

Ettingshall Lane, (Catchems Corner), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Evans  [1828] – [1835]

NOTES

It was known as “The Hell House”.

DUKE OF WELLINGTON  [1828], [1835]
MARQUIS WELLINGTON  [1834]
DUKE OF YORK

Bilston Road, Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Enoch Evans  [1865]
Philip Partridge  [1868]
Philip and William Partridge  [1896]

NOTES

Check Wolverhampton Road
DUKE OF YORK

Wolverhampton Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Smith  [1841] – [1842]
Thomas Lowe  [1851]
Thomas Mann  [1854]

NOTES

Check Bilston Road.
EAGLE
Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Thomas Deeley  [1833] – [1835]

NOTES
Thomas Deeley was also a carpenter and pattern maker.  [1833]
ELEPHANT AND CASTLE

40, Hill Street, (47, Hall Street), (Hallfields), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Caroline Brywood
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
Millward Brothers, maltsters, Wednesbury
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Caroline Brywood  [1873] – 1881;  [1881]
Charles Walter Wolverson  (1881 – 1883);
Thomas Henry Round  (1883 – 1884);
William Henry Moreton  (1884 – 1885);
William Riley  (1885 – 1888);
Henry William Cole  (1888 – 1891);
Adam Bailey  (1891 – 1892);
Samuel Bright Oliver  (1892 – 1895);
Thomas Wood  (1895 – 1896);
Simeon Heath  (1896 – 1898);
Abraham Wootton  (1900 – 1902);
Alfred Roberts  (1902);
Abraham Wootton  (1902 – 1903);
John Thomas Hinsull  (1903 – 1912);
Samuel James Plimmer  (1912 – 1913);

NOTES

47, Hall Street  [1881], [1891]
40, Hill Street  [1904]
Hill Street  [1911], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census
47, Hall Street – ELEPHANT AND CASTLE
[1] Caroline Brywood (58), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Sedgley;
[2] Clara Goldsmith (12), granddaughter, scholar, born Bilston:
1891 Census
47, Hall Street – ELEPHANT AND CASTLE
[2] Maria Cole (41), wife, born Bilston;
[8] Alice Cole (15), niece, born Scotland;
[9] Sarah Morris (19), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
Hill Street
[1] Abraham Wootton (25), boiler riveter, born Sedgley;
[2] Alice Wootton (26), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Leah Wootton (5), daughter, born Sedgley;
[5] Sarah Marks (16), domestic servant, born Bilston:

John Thomas Hinsull, beer retailer, 40, Hill Street, Bradley.  [1904]

Samuel J. Plimmer, beer retailer, Hill Street.  [1912]

The license was not renewed in 1913.
Compensation of £255 was paid on 24th December 1913.
ELEPHANT AND CASTLE

122, (127), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Francis Udall  [1858] – 1888;  
William Henry Haynes (1888 – 1894);  
Nathan Eccleston (1894 – 1896);  
James McNairnie (1896 – 1897);  
Charles Henry Parsons (1897 – 1898);  
Robert Edward Platt (1898 – 1899);  
Charles Henry Walker (1899 – 1924):

NOTES

127, Oxford Street   [1861], [1864], [1865], [1871], [1891]  
122, Oxford Street   [1901], [1912]  

It had a beerhouse license.

Francis Udall, beerhouse keeper, 127, Oxford Street.  [1858]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 1/9/1858

“Mr. Wells appeared in support of an application on behalf of Mr. Francis Udall, for a license to the ELEPHANT AND CASTLE, Oxford Street, Bilston, and stated that from the BULL INN, Moxley to the QUEENS ARMS, Oxford Street, there was only one public house with an old license, and there was no opposition by the occupier of that house to the present application.  Mr. Hayes opposed for the occupier of the BROWN LION, and pointed out to the Bench that there were large works in close proximity to the house of the applicant, and the evils which would result by workmen wasting their time in a public house.  Application refused.”

1861 Census

127, Oxford Street – ELEPHANT AND CASTLE  
[1] Francis Udall (43), retail brewer, born Handsworth;  
[2] Maria Udall (41), wife, born West Bromwich;  
[3] George Udall (20), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;  
[5] Emma Udall (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;  
[6] Francis Udall (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;  
[7] Rebecca Udall (5), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;  
[8] Maria Udall (3), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;  
[9] Thomas Udall (10 months), son, born Bilston:

Francis Udall, beer retailer, Oxford Street.  [1861], [1868]  
Francis Udall, beer retailer, 127 Oxford Street.  [1864], [1865]
1871 Census
127, Oxford Street
[1] Francis Udall (53), publican, born Handsworth;
[2] Maria Udall (51), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] George Udall (30), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
[4] Francis Udall (20), son, butcher, born Bilston;
[5] Mary Udall (18), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Rebecca Udall (17), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Maria Udall (13), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Thomas Udall (10), son, born Bilston;

1881 Census
Oxford Street – ELEPHANT AND CASTLE
[1] Francis Udall (63), publican, born Handsworth;
[2] Maria Udall (61), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Francis Udall (29), son, brewer, born Bilston;
[4] Thomas Udall (20), son, butcher, born Bilston;
[5] Kate Wall (18), domestic servant, born Bilston;

1891 Census
127, Oxford Street – ELEPHANT AND CASTLE
[2] Selina Haynes (48), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Samuel Haynes (20), son, stationary engine fitter, born Bilston;
[5] Moses C. Haynes (14), son, iron plate worker, born Bilston;
[6] Leonard Haynes (10), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Charlotte Haynes (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Rosannah Flavell (17), general servant, born Bilston.

William Henry Haynes was convicted on 13th June 1894 for permitting drunkenness.

Nathan Eccleston, beer retailer, 127, Oxford Street. [1896]

1901 Census
122, Oxford Street – Beerhouse
[1] Charles H. Walker (32), iron moulder and beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[3] Harvess (?) Walker (6), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Elsie Walker (5 months), daughter, born Bilston;

Charles Walker, beer retailer, 122, Oxford Street. [1904]
Charles H. Walker, beer retailer, 122, Oxford Street. [1912]

The license was surrendered in 1924, on the Removal of the license from the SAMPSON AND LION, to the new SAMPSON AND LION.
It closed on 8th February 1924.
It became a private dwelling.
ELISABETH ARMS

Overfield Drive, BILSTON

OWNERS

Harvester Restaurants
Sizzling Pub Co.  [2007], [2012]

LICENSEES

Maureen Layland  [2005]

NOTES

[1992]
[2012]
EXCHANGE VAULTS

72, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Charles Crooke  [1861] – [1865]
Henry Jones  [1868]

NOTES

1861 Census
72, Church Street
[1] Charles Crooke (36), licensed spirit merchant, born Kilsby, Northamptonshire;
[2] Elizabeth Crooke (40), wife, born Northamptonshire;
[3] Sarah Morse (19), general servant, born Willenhall:

Henry Jones, spirit vaults, 72, Church Street.  [1868]
FALCON

Mount Pleasant, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Morgan  [1851] – [1854]
EXTENSION PLANS

Extension plans approved by Bilston Licensing Magistrates in September 1899.
FORESTERS ARMS
12, (6), Walsall Street, BILSTON

OWNERS
Alexander Perry Law, gentleman, Bilston
Abraham Lunn, contractor / beerhouse keeper, Bilston
Catherine (Lunn) Hill, 248, Caledonia Road, Wishaw, Scotland

LICENSEES
Charles Tizard [1865]
Samuel Rogers [1871] – 1876);
Abraham Lunn (1876 – 1878);
George Swift (1878 – 1893);
William Till (1893 – 1897);
Fred Pearson (1897 – 1908);
Harry Howard Wilkes (1908 – 1911);
Walter William Harbach (1911 – 1923);
Annie Harris (1923 – 1933);
Arthur Humphage (1933 – 1934);
George Allen (1934 – 1940)

NOTES
It was situated behind the town hall.
It was known locally as “My Dears”.
It had a beerhouse license.

Charles Tizard, beer retailer, 6, Walsall Street. [1865]

1871 Census
6, Walsall Street – FORERESTERS ARMS
[1] Samuel Rogers (36), journeyman locksmith, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Adelaide Rogers (34), wife, born Willenhall;
[4] Samuel Rogers (10), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] David Rogers (7), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Thomas Rogers (1), son, born Bilston;
[9] James Callow (52), boarder, journeyman hatter, born Denton, Lancashire;
[10] Philip Phillips (53), lodger, journeyman wheelwright, born Wales:
[Denton is about 6 miles ESE of Manchester city centre.]
1881 Census
Walsall Street
[1] George Swift (45), publican, born Stourbridge;
[2] Eliza Swift (41), wife, born Brettle Lane;
[3] Charles Swift (19), son, brass worker in brass foundry, born Bilston;
[4] George Henry Swift (14), son, grocer’s assistant, born Bilston;
[5] Alfred Swift (11), son, born Bilston;
[7] Mary Murray (17), general servant, born Oldbury:

1891 Census
6, Walsall Street – FORESTERS ARMS
[1] George Swift (53), publican, born Stourbridge;
[2] Eliza Swift (50), wife, born Brettel Lane;
[3] Sarah J. Swift (19), daughter, general servant, born Bradley:

William Till, beer retailer, Walsall Street. [1896]

1901 Census
Walsall Street – FORESTERS ARMS
[1] Fred Pearson (42), engine fitter and licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[6] Blanche Pearson (1), daughter, born Bilston:

Fred Pearson, beer retailer, Walsall Street. [1904]

Walter William Harbach brewed here. [1916], [1921]

Annie Harris was married to Frank.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]

It closed in 1955.
Demolished
FORGE HAMMER

Ettingshall Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Fowler, ironmaster, Shifnal

LICENSEES

Ann Hyde  [1833] – [1835]
Joseph Hyde  [1850] – [1864]
William Ephraim Hyde  [-] – 1873);
Henry Hyde  (1873 – [-]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

FORGE HAMMER AND SPEEDWELL  [1864]

The license was abandoned.
FORGE HAMMER

112, (6), Spring Road, Lanesfield, (Spring Vale Iron Works), BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Bantock, gentleman, Wolverhampton
Stephen Thompson and Co. Ltd., Manor Works, Lanesfield
Major George Cox, brewer, Bilston
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Hyde [1849]
Thomas Robinson [1873 – 1874];
John Robinson (1874 – 1877);
Henry Hyde (1877 – 1878);
John Proudlove (1878 – 1879);
John Lewis (1879);
Joseph Smith (1879 – 1885);
Jane Wildman (1885);
Alfred Thomas Clark (1885 – [1904]
John Freeman []
Michael Sims [2005]

NOTES

Spring Vale Iron Works [1849], [1850]
6, Spring Road
112, Spring Road [2005]

It was originally the FOX.

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Robinson died in 1874.

Name changed to FORGE HAMMER

1881 Census
Spring Road – FORGE HAMMER INN
[1] Alfred Thomas Clark (23), tin plate worker, born Deepfields;
[3] Selina Maud Clark (5 months), daughter, born Deepfields;
[4] Ellen Cope (18), domestic servant, born Bilston:
[WAS THIS THE ALFRED THOMAS CLARK WHO HELD THE LICENSE FROM 1885? was he a manager here in 1881?]
1891 Census
Spring Road – FORGE HAMMER INN
[1] Alfred Thomas Clark (33), licensed victualler, born Deepfields;
[2] Jemima Jane Clark (34), wife, born Ettingshall;
[3] Selina M. Clark (10), daughter, scholar, born Spring Vale;
[4] Lizzie Edith Clark (9), daughter, scholar, born Spring Vale;
[5] Emma Jane Clark (6), daughter, scholar, born Spring Vale;
[6] Sarah Ann Price (19), general servant, born Coseley:

Alfred Thomas Clark, beer retailer, Springvale. [1904]

Dennis Jones was married to Pat.
He was an ex-toolmaker.
He died on 13th August 2008, aged 88.
See also ROCKET POOL, OLD BUSH, Bradley, and DOG AND PARTRIDGE.

John Freeman was married to Jan.

[2008]

Closed [2010]

It was converted into a café.
FOUNTAIN
Parliament Street, Greencroft, BILSTON

OWNERS
Mrs. Martin, widow, Wolverhampton Road, Bilston
Mrs. M J Bent, Belper

LICENSEES
George Cockayne  [1871 – 1877);
Charles Cockayne  (1877 – 1879);
Richard Wild  (1879 – 1880);
Alfred Patrick  (1880);
John Roberts  (1880 – 1889);
Mary Roberts  (1889);
Thomas Bennett  (1889 – 1893);
Esther Hughes  (1893 – 1894);
George Edge Callear  (1894 – 1895);
William Bould  (1895):

NOTES
It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
Parliament Street – The FOUNTAIN
[1] George Cockayne (55), beerhouse keeper, born Great Haywood;
[2] Maria Cockayne (54), wife, born Staffordshire;
[3] Charles Cockayne (20), son, journeyman engine fitter, born Bilston;
[5] John Turner (22), lodger, journeyman tinplate worker, born Wednesbury:

[Great Haywood is about 5 miles E of Stafford.]

George Cockayne died in 1877.

John Roberts died on 26th July 1889.

Esther Hughes was convicted on 31st October 1894 on two cases of permitting drunkenness.

The license was renewal was refused at the Annual Licensing Meeting, 1895.

Closed
Demolished
FOUNTAIN

29, (36), Ward Street, Ettingshall, (Priestfield), BILSTON

OWNERS

William Hyde Snr.
Catherine Esther Taylor
John Large, ironworker, Villiers Street, Blakenhall, Wolverhampton
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Henry Hyde [1861]
William Hyde the Elder [1865 – 1873];
William Hyde the Younger (1873 – 1876);
William Hyde the Elder (1876 – 1877);
William Hyde the Younger (1877 – 1878);
James Taylor (1878 – 1885);
Catherine Esther Taylor (1885 – 1900);
Ellen Higgs (1900 – 1901);
Joseph Large (1901 – 1905);
Richard Bates (1905 – 1906);
William Fellows (1906 – 1908);
James Collins (1908 – 1910);
James Arthur Collins (1910 – 1912);
John Saunders Large (1912 – 1921);
Emma Large (1921 – 1927);

NOTES

36, Ward Street [1881]
29, Ward Street [1901], [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

William Hyde, beer retailer, Ward Street. [1865], [1868]

1871 Census

Ward Street
[2] Rebecca Hyde (71), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Mary A. Hyde (14), granddaughter, servant, born Sedgley:

William Hyde the Younger died in 1878.
1881 Census
36, Ward Street – FOUNTAIN INN
[1] James Taylor (55), coal miner and beerhouse keeper, born Ettingshall;
[3] Phoebe Cooper (17), general servant, born Wallbrook, Staffordshire:

James Taylor died in 1885.

1891 Census
56, Ward Street – FOUNTAIN INN
[1] Catherine Taylor (60), widow, licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Mary Whitehouse (70), widow, sister, lives on her own means, born Sedgley:

1901 Census
29, Ward Street
[1] Ellen Higgs (39), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Priestfield;
[2] Deborah Steventon (22), general servant, born Ladymoor;
[3] Ellen Micklewright (43), visitor, born Priestfield:

Joseph Large, beer retailer, 29, Ward Street. [1904]

John Saunders Large was fined £1 and costs, on 5th May 1916, for serving beer exceeding the measure called for.
He died on 29th March 1921.

The license was refused by Compensation Authority on 4th March 1927.
Compensation of £1,150 was paid on 26th December 1927.

Bilston and Willenhall Times 14/1/1928
“Alfred W. Dando and Co. ….. will sell by auction on Tuesday, January 31, 1928 ….. A substantially built and slate roofed, double fronted property, formerly known as the FOUNTAIN INN, but now delicensed, situate and being No.29, Ward Street, Priestfield, containing Entrance Passage, two Front Sitting rooms on the first floor and cellar in the basement, together with Yard having side approaches, Stable with loft over and the Usual Outbuildings.”
FOUR HORSE SHOES

Broad Lanes, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Mary Harper  [1828] – [1830]
FOX

4, Ash Street, Bradley, (Daisy Bank), BILSTON

OWNERS

Smith, coalmaster, Dudley
Edward Gettings
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1910]

LICENSEES

Alexander Paul [ ] – 1873;
Samuel Foxon (1873 – 1874);
William Sambrook (1874 – 1875);
Israel Bailey (1875 – 1876);
Edward Gettings (1876 – 1891);
John Ashcroft (1891 – 1892);
Emma Louisa Elliman (1892 – 1893);
Thomas Holdnell (1893 – 1894);
Edward Gettings (1894 – 1898);
Richard Davies (1898 – 1902);
William Henry Hutchinson (1902 – 1904);
Joseph Reynolds (1904 – 1906);
George Norton (1906 – 1912);
Theodosia Norton [1911] ?
Mary Ann Waterhouse (1912 – 1914);
George Maddox (1914):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

William Sambrook was convicted on 27th January 1874 for permitting drunkenness.
He was convicted again on 16th October 1874 for the same offence.

Israel Bailey = Israel Bayley
Edward Gettings = Edward Gittings

1881 Census
4, Ash Street
[1] Edward Gettings (44), licensed victualler, born Cheshire;
[2] Mary Gettings (38), wife, born Ladymore [Ladymoor], Staffordshire;
[3] Louisa Gettings (20), daughter, born Daisy Bank;
[5] Eliza Jane Gettings (8), daughter, born Daisy Bank;
[6] Mary Gettings (6), daughter, born Daisy Bank;
[7] Edith Gettings (8 months), daughter, born Daisy Bank:

Edward Gettings, beer retailer, Ash Street, Bradley. [1896]
1901 Census
4, Ash Street
[1] Richard Davies (33), boat steerer, born Sedgley;
[4] Edward Davies (18), nephew, shoe maker, born Sedgley;
[5] Edward Gettings (64), stepfather, widower, born Hollings Wood, Shropshire:

William Henry Hutchinson, beer retailer, Ash Street, Bradley. [1904]

George Norton was married to Theodosia Lane.

1911 Census
4, Ash Street
[1] George Norton (50), engineer, fitter and turner, born Bradley;
[2] Theodosia Norton (48), wife, married 29 years, licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Harold Lane Norton (8), son, scholar, born Bradley;
[8] Martha Elizabeth Ryan (24), visitor, daughter, born Princes End;
[9] Lawrence Norton Ryan (3), visitor, born Bradley:

The license was refused by the Compensation Authority on 29th July 1914. Compensation of £500 was paid on 28th December 1914.
FOX

Bilston Street, Hallfields, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mr. Speak, miner, Darlaston

LICENSEES

Joseph Taylor  [1868] – [1873]
Daniel Ecclestone   [] – 1883)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license,

Joseph Taylor, beer retailer, Bilston Street, Hallfields.  [1868]

The license was refused in 1883, it was forfeited on grounds “personal to the licensee”.
FOX

18, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Mary Reynolds [1818] – [1822]
James Gilbert [1828] – [1830]
Thomas Hodgins [1833] – [1835]
Mary Pratt [1841] – [1842]
James Walter Busst [1845]
William Worthington [1849]
John Smith [1851]
Henry Slater [1854]
Mrs. Eliza Price [1] – 1858
William Twelves [1861]
Joseph Springthorpe [1861]
Thomas Durham [1864] – [1865]
Thomas George Jackson [1868]

NOTES

It was a coaching inn.

Commercial inn [1822], [1835], [1842], [1851], [1854]

James Walter Busst was also an accountant and clerk. [1845]

John Smith was from Dawley, Shropshire.

Wolverhampton Chronicle 1/9/1858

“In consequence of repeated convictions of Mrs. Eliza Price, the FOX INN, Church Street, Bilston, for keeping a disorderly house, the Magistrates decided to withdraw the license from that house altogether.”

1861 Census

18, Church Street
[1] Joseph Springthorpe (30), publican, born Hibstock, Leicestershire;
[3] Betsey Springthorpe (14), daughter, born Wednesbury;
[4] Samuel Springthorpe (13), son, scholar, born Wednesbury;
[5] Francis Springthorpe (8), son, scholar, born Walsall;
[6] James Springthorpe (6), son, scholar, born Walsall;
[7] Clara Springthorpe (4), daughter, scholar, born Walsall;
[8] Elizabeth Banks (21), house and bar maid, born Willenhall;
[10] William Springthorpe (1), son, born Walsall:
Advert 1861

“William Twelves / FOX INN / Church Street, Bilston / W. T. begs most respectfully to inform his friends and the public generally that he has taken the above house, and hopes by strict attention to comfort, with moderate charges to merit a share of their patronage and support, which shall be his constant study to observe. / Private Sitting-Room for Commercial Gentlemen.”

William Twelves = William Twells

Thomas George Jackson, beer retailer, 18, Church Street. [1868]

Closed
It was demolished.
The new Town Hall was built on the site in 1872.
FOX AND PARTRIDGE

BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Isaac Bradley [1858]

NOTES

Wolverhampton Chronicle 10/3/1858
“Isaac Bradley, a butty collier, and the landlord of the FOX AND PARTRIDGE at Bilston, was charged with having paid, at his public house, on the 2nd February, 11s 5d on account of wages to a collier in his employ named Richard Edwards ..... penalty of £5 and costs.”
[This was against the Truck Act.]
GATE

378, Bilston Road, (Gibbet Lane), (Wolverhampton Road), (6, Willenhall Road), Monmore Green, (Priestfield), BILSTON

OWNERS

George Marson, gentleman, licensed victualler, Sweetman Street, Whitmore Reans
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Georgiana Marson, Sweetman Street, Whitmore Reans
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Hunt [1833] – [1850]
Mrs. Anne Maddocks [1851] – [1854]
John Elwell* [1858]
John Bassett Elwell* [1864] – [1870]
Alfred Walters [1872] – 1877;
Joseph Elwell (1877 – 1885);
John Lockley (1885);
Stephen John Sopp (?) (1885 – 1886);
Mary Ann Oakley (1886 – 1888);
George Willetts (1888 – 1897);
Henry Turchus [Tertius] Hodkgiss (1897 – 1898);
James Evans (1898 – 1926);
Ernest Harold Rhodes (1926 – 1959)
O Mason [1983]

NOTES

Willenhall Road [1851], [1911]
Wolverhampton Road [1881]
6, Willenhall Road [1931]
378, Bilston Road [2005]

OLD GATE [1851], [1874]
The GATES [1870]
GATE [1904], [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

* possibly the same person
John Bassett Elwell was also a boiler maker. [1864], [1865], [1870]

1881 Census
Wolverhampton Road – The GATE INN
[1] Joseph Elwell (49), beerhouse keeper, born Coseley;
[2] Catherine Elwell (44), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Alice Elwell (22), daughter, barmaid, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Kate Elwell (19), daughter, servant for mother, born Buckley, Worcestershire;
[6] Agnes Elwell (_), daughter, servant for mother, born Buckley, Worcestershire;
[7] Annie Elwell (14), daughter, servant for mother, born Bilston;
[8] Horace Elwell (7), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Lottie Elwell (4), daughter, born Bilston;
[10] Howard Elwell (2), son, born Bilston:

1891 Census
Wolverhampton Road – GATE INN
[4] Mary Ann Hickman (17), sister in law, born Tipton:

Ernest H. Rhodes was born circa 1882. He died in 1959. See also ORANGE TREE.

[2012]
GEORGE
Stafford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
John Jones  [1818]
Thomas Morris  [1822]
Thomas Massey  [1828] – [1830]
GEORGE AND CROWN
Willenhall Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Joseph Shore [1868]

NOTES
Check Lane End.
GEORGE AND CROWN
Lane End, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES
Closed
It was demolished circa 1925.

Check Willenhall Road.
GEORGE AND DRAGON

104, (105), Broad Lanes, (Ladymoor Road), BILSTON

OWNERS

John Baugh, basket maker, Wednesbury
Edward Potts, licensed victualler, Broad Lanes, Bilston
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Letitia Adderley  [1828] – [1830]
Benjamin Adderley  [1834] – [1842]
Thomas Shaw  [1851] – [1854]
Henry Millership  [1864] – [1865]
Joseph Rudge  [1873] – 1877;
Edwin Newton  (1877 – 1878);
Harriet Coley  (1878);
John Hand  (1878 – 1880);
Joseph Dickin  (1880 – 1885);
Richard Wild  (1885 – 1890);
Thomas Robinson  (1890 – 1891);
John Clews  (1891);
James Robinson  (1891 – 1893);
Joseph Bunce  (1893 – 1894);
Richard Wilde  (1894 – 1895);
John Hassall  (1895 – [ ]
Samuel Ratcliff  [ ] – 1896;
John Spencer  (1896 – 1897);
William Swan  (1897 – 1903);
John Bate  (1903 – 1904);
Joseph Smith  (1904 – 1907);
Ellen Smith  (1907 – 1911);
George Frederick Liddiatt  (1911 – 1926);
John Henry Swan  (1926 – 1930);
Thomas Wilkinson  (1930 – 1938);
George Henry White  (1938 – [1940]
John Stockton  [1985]
Balwinder Singh Thukral and Robert Boyle  [2005]

NOTES

104, Broad Lanes  [1881]
105, Broad Lane  [1901]

OLD GEORGE AND DRAGON  [1851]

It was known locally as “The Clog”.

1986

1997

2007
Henry Millership = Henry Milership

Richard Wild = Richard Wyld

1881 Census
104, Broad Lanes
[1] Richard Wyld (29), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Roshannah Wyld (28), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Eliza Wyld (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[6] Ann Jones (17), general servant, born Sedgley:
[Richard did not hold the license until 1885.]

Richard Wilde brewed his own beer.

Samuel Ratcliff = Samuel Ratcliffe

1901 Census
105, Broad Lanes
[2] Alice Swan (38), wife, born Gloucestershire;
[5] Alice Maud Swan (2), daughter, born Ladymoor;
[6] (Baby) Swan (under 1 month), daughter, born Ladymoore;
[7] Co____se (18), domestic servant, born Priestfield:

[1990]
Closed [1992], [1997]
Reopened

[1998]
[2007]

It was renamed the CLOG. [2008]

[2009]
Closed [2011], [2012]
GEORGE AND DRAGON

61, Hall Green Street / 6, Wootton Square, Upper Bradley, (Hallfields), (Daisy Bank), (Brierley), BILSTON

OWNERS

Edward Wootton
Joseph Wootton
Richard Ashmole
Joseph Wootton, Hall Green, Bradley
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Edward Wootton  [1828] – [1830]
James Swindall  [1834] – [1835]
Edward Wootton  [1842] – 1877
Joseph Wootton  (1877 – 1878)
Luke Bird  (1878 – 1887)
George Broomhall  (1887 – 1888)
John Scott  (1888 – 1891)
Samuel Bright Oliver  (1891 – 1894)
Enoch Pickerell  (1894 – 1897)
James Mason  (1897 – 1898)
Richard Ashmole  (1898 – 1900)
Fred Cook  (1900 – 1902)
Samuel Joseph Salt  (1902 – 1903)
Henry Ebenezer Bott  (1903 – 1904)
Benjamin Hodgkiss  (1904 – 1905)
William Henry Marlow  (1905)
Arthur Fieldhouse  (1905 – 1906)
Harry Morris  (1906 – 1907)
Elizabeth Baldwin  (1907 – 1908)
Charles Painter  (1908 – 1909)
Edward Williams  (1909 – 1911)
Alfred Davies  (1911 – 1913)
Noah James  (1913 – 1915)
Mrs. Mary Ann James  (1915 – 1916)
Harold Samuel Cox  (1916 – 1926)
Bertram Albert Steward  (1926 – 1935)
John William Kay  (1935 – 1937)
Thomas William Brooks  (1937 – [1939]
Billy Pearson  [ ]
Charles Lowndes  [1969]
Marvin Whittle  [1985]
Terence Bucknall  [2000]
NOTES

6, Wootton Square  [1871], [1881]
61, Hall Green Street

GREEN DRAGON  [1900]

It was known locally as “The Crownyard”.

A lodge of the R.A.O.B. met here.

Wolverhampton Chronicle 18/8/1858

“Bilston. Yesterday (Tuesday), before Mr. J. Leigh Esq., a man named John Wareing, a labourer, living at Bilston, was charged with committing an indecent assault upon a young woman named Elizabeth Baugh, a servant at the GEORGE AND DRAGON public house, Hall Fields. Mr. Waterhouse appeared for the complainant, and Mr. Wilkinson, of Walsall, for the defence. On hearing the evidence of the complainant, the charge resolved itself into one of rape. Mr. Wilkinson here stated that he was not prepared with witnesses to meet so serious a charge, and the case was accordingly remanded until today (Wednesday) at Wolverhampton.”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 25/8/1858

“John Waring, puddler, was brought up on remand charged with committing a rape upon an intelligent looking young girl, named Elizabeth Baugh, only sixteen years of age. Mr. Hall, of Bilston, appeared for the complainant, and Mr. S. Wilkinson Jnr., of Walsall, for the defendant.

The statement of the complainant, which had been taken before the Magistrates at Bilston on the previous day, was read over, and was to the following effect:- I was a short time since a servant at the GEORGE AND DRAGON public house at Hall Fields, kept by Mr. Wootton. I left that place of service a fortnight ago today. The defendant, John Waring, used to come there frequently as a customer. On Thursday, the 29th of July, I put my mistress to bed at a quarter past two o’clock in the morning, and then went down stairs. There had been a club feast, and music and dancing was going on in the kitchen. I went into the parlour, and sat down with my head on the table, and fell asleep. I was awoke by the prisoner, who was pulling me off the chair. He dragged me up to the far end of the room. [The witness then described the assault.] During the time he was assaulting me Elizabeth Rudge came into the room. She said nothing, but ran out of the room laughing. The prisoner then got up, and left the room. Elizabeth Rudge came again, and I asked her for some water, which she brought me.

Next morning I told Margaret Lloyd all that had happened. About noon on the following day the prisoner came to my master’s house. I said to him, “Oh, Mr. Waring, you’re a nice man.” He answered, “Well, if I have done anything, I am sorry, but I hope you’ll forgive me.” I said, “Well, you have done a great deal of harm. When I go home I shall tell my mother and father, and you’ll have to pay for it.”

I went home a fortnight today – namely 4th August, and a week after my arrival there told my mother how I had been served. I was persuaded not to tell by my fellow servant and Jane Rudge, and was ashamed. On Thursday last, the 12th instant, I went with my father to the prisoner’s house, and saw him there. My father said, “Why did you molest my daughter so?” He replied, “Me!” several times; “How can you say so?” I answered him, “I can say so with a clear conscience.” He then said, “Go, and do your best.”

When I applied for a summons against the prisoner for indecent assault, I denied that he had criminal connection with me, because I was ashamed to acknowledge it. I am quite positive that I did not say on leaving the Bilston Police Court, yesterday, “I will have £20 out of him for it.”

David Shorthouse said – I am a puddler, and live at Sedgley. I was at Wootton’s on the night spoken of, viz, on Wednesday, July 28th. There was dancing going on in the tap room, and the defendant, James (sic) Waring was there. I missed him from the room about a quarter past two o’clock in the morning. He was absent about ten minutes or a quarter of an hour. When he returned, I noticed his waistcoat, trousers, and braces were unfastened, and his hair was disordered. About three o’clock in the afternoon of the Thursday I was passing the GEORGE when he tapped at the window, and called me in.
He said, “Did you hear of me throwing the servant down last night? They tell me I did something.” I replied, when you came back I noticed your trousers were unbuttoned. He then said, “What a b_____ I am when I get drunk. I shall be ashamed to show my face on the Green again as long as I live.” In cross-examination the witness stated that the defendant was fresh. The complainant, Elizabeth Baugh, was not drunk. She was assisted to bed in consequence of the ill treatment she had sustained from the defendant.

Margaret Floyd stated:- I was a fellow servant of the complainant’s, and I recollect the night in question. I was dancing with the defendant Waring. I noticed him leave the dancing about twenty past two o’clock in the morning. The next morning the complainant told me that Waring had assaulted her, and she said she did not know what to do about telling her mother. I told her the best thing she could do would be to go on as usual and say nothing about it. Waring was quite drunk while he was dancing with me. The complainant was sober, quite sober enough to attend to her business, or to resist any man taking liberties with her.

Nancy Hall was examined and said :- I am a married woman and live at Sedgley. On Saturday morning last I was in a garden adjoining Waring’s house. I heard Waring’s wife accuse him of something, but I cannot say what it was about. Waring replied, “She was asleep in the parlour and I pulled her off the chair. I felt her knees, and I should have done something else if it had not been for that young cat coming in.”

This being the case for the prosecution, Mr. Wilkinson, for the defence, called James Wootton, and endeavoured to establish from this witness that the complainant was intoxicated, that she complained the next day of having lost her purse containing 8s 5d, on the previous night, and that she made no complaint of having been assaulted by Waring. James Watkins stated that he went to Wootton’s public house on the day after the dancing. He saw the complainant there and she complained of having lost her money on the previous night. He asked her if what he had heard was true about her being in the long parlour with Mr. Waring on the over night, and she replied that she never remembered seeing him in the parlour. Last Wednesday he met the complainant, and she then said that her father was going to have Waring up on the next Tuesday for ‘messing’ with her in the parlour. He (the witness) exclaimed, “You don’t mean to say had to do with you,” and she replied, “He had nothing to do with me except heaving my clothes up.”

Elizabeth Rudge was examined at considerable length to prove that on the occasion referred to the complainant was carried to bed in a state of helpless intoxication.

John Denholm was then sworn, and stated that he was a constable at Darlaston. On the previous day he was at the Bilston Police Court, and as the people were leaving the court room after the business was over he followed the complainant down the stairs, and he distinctly heard her say to another woman that she would have £20 out of the prisoner and make ‘old bricks and mortar pay for it. (the witness here handed to Mr. Leigh his pocket book, in which he had made an entry of the expression at the time.) Mr. Leigh minutely cross-examined the witness as to whether he was quite certain as to the identity of the party, but he positively swore that the complainant was the person who had uttered those words. Mr. Leigh also asked the witness his motive for writing down those words in his pocket book, to which question, after some hesitation, he answered, because he considered that there had been an attempt to extort money. The witness stated that after following the complainant to the bottom of the stairs he returned to the court room to the Magistrate’s clerk’s table, to receive his expenses in a case in which he had given evidence. After some conversation between Mr. Leigh and the Magistrate’s clerk (Mr. Ward), Mr. Ward was sworn, and stated that the complainant and her mother remained in the court room some full three quarters of an hour after the business of the court was over, in order to complete her deposition. She sat at the table, so that the witness must have seen her there.

Mrs. Baugh was also sworn, and stated that she remained with her daughter in the court room nearly an hour after the business was over. Neither she nor her daughter left the room for a moment until Mr. Ward had taken down her daughter’s evidence.

Mr. Leigh said that it was the opinion of the Bench that Denholm had committed wilful and corrupt perjury; they should therefore order him to be detained in custody until they could investigate the case. Denholm was then removed from the witness box into the dock. After a few brief remarks by Mr. Wilkinson for the defence, the Magistrates decided upon committing Waring to take his trial at the Assizes. Bail was accepted for his appearance, himself in £100 and two sureties of £50.”
1871 Census
6, Wootton’s Square – GEORGE AND DRAGON
[1] Edward Wootton (74), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Mary Ann Wootton (70), wife, born Birmingham;
[5] Sarah Litely (?) (21), domestic servant, born Sedgley:

Edward Wootton died on 24th March 1877.

1881 Census
6, Wootton’s Square – GEORGE AND DRAGON
[6] Emily Bird (9 months), daughter, born Sedgley:

Thomas William Brooks – see also HAND AND KEYS, and BRICKLAYERS ARMS.

Billy Pearson was married to Blanche.

Charles Lowndes married Lydia Ward.
See also BRICKLAYERS ARMS, Coseley.

[2001]
Closed

It was demolished in May 2007.
GLADSTONE ARMS
Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Fanny Hunt, Aston House, Moxley

LICENSEES

Samuel Maullin  [] – 1873);
John Worth  (1873 – 1875);
George Cartwright  (1875);
Richard Bowen  (1875);
Enoch Boaler  (1875 – 1876);
Isaiah Emery  (1876 – 1877):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Dudley Herald 16/9/1876
“Isaiah Emery, beerhouse keeper, GLADSTONE ARMS, Oxford Street, Bilston ….. fined 10s and costs for keeping his house open until 12 minutes past 11 on Friday last.”

Dudley Herald 30/9/1876
“Isaiah Emery ….. had only been in occupation for a month and had already been convicted of selling in improper hours but the Bench believed he had erred in ignorance and fined him 10s and costs. Mr. Hatton [one of the justices] said the house had been badly conducted for two years past. There was a piano in the front shop, and the music was the means of attracting many bad characters to the house. If the applicant would undertake to stop the music during the next 12 months the certificate would be renewed – Agreed.”

The license was taken away in 1877.
GLOBE
59, Ash Street / 79, Lane Street, Bradley, (Highfield), (Brierley), BILSTON

OWNERS

James Lane
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.  (acquired in 1897)

LICENSEES

James Lane   [1861] – 1878);
Isaac Whitehouse   (1878 – 1881);
Ephraim Hill   (1881 – 1885);
Joseph James Lane   (1885 – 1891);
Mrs. Ellen (Lane) Wallace   (1891 – 1906);
Samuel Cotton   (1906 – 1907);
Thomas Millington   (1907 – 1908);
Geoffrey Goodall   (1908 – 1910);
Alfred Pountney   (1910 – 1911);
Silas Eaves   (1911 – 1920);
Eliza (Eaves) Nisbett   (1920 – 1936);
John Edward Pountney   (1936 – 1937);
Annie Cole Bowdler   (1937 – 1938);
Mrs. Hannah Bradley   (1938 – [1940]

NOTES

79, Lane Street   [1871]
59, Ash Street   [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

James Lane, beer retailer and blacksmith, Bradley.   [1861]
James Lane, beer retailer, Highfields, Bradley.   [1865]
James Lane, beer retailer and blacksmith, Upper Bradley.   [1868], [1870]

1871 Census
79, Lane Street – Public House
[1] James Lane (62), retail brewer and engine smith employing 2 men, born Sedgley;
[2] Martha Lane (60), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Theodosia Lane (20), daughter, born Sedgley;
[4] Selina Lane (18), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
[5] Ann Walters (13), general servant, born Sedgley:
“…..regarding Bradley pubs, particularly the GLOBE INN and the FOX. The former was built by my [Jeff Lane] great great grandfather, James Lane, some time between 1861 and 1864. At the same time he built 5 terraced houses and a foundry in Lane Street. Only the GLOBE still stands – the remaining buildings have long since gone or form part of a new factory. When these buildings were originally built there was a barrier erected across the street and tradesmen wanting entrance had to obtain the key from the GLOBE. James was something of an entrepreneur. He was originally a blacksmith who travelled to Belgium with his family in the 1840’s, working on the building of bridges in Bruges ….. James had moved to Church Street in Wolverhampton by 1881 with his wife Martha and daughter Selina. He died there in 1883. The GLOBE, which at that time also included a grocery shop, was then run by his son Joseph James Lane. It was sold to Banks’s Breweries in 1897…..”

Joseph James Lane died on 20th March 1891.

Ellen Lane married Samuel Wallace on 2nd August 1894. Mrs. Ellen Lane, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 59, Ash Street, Bradley. [1896]
She was convicted on 24th March 1896 of two cases of permitting gaming on licensed premises.

1901 Census
59, Ash Street
[1] Ellen Wallace (60), widow, born Sedgley;
[4] Elizabeth Bentley (20), general servant, born Tipton:

Mrs. Ellen Wallace, beer retailer, 59, Ash Street, Bradley. [1904]

Eliza Nisbett died in 1936.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]

It closed in April 1995.
It became Globe House, paint supplies. [2002]
GLOBE

Market Street, (Hall Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Charles and Mary Morgan  [1841] – [1842]
Thomas Manning  [1845] – [1854]

NOTES

Hall Street  [1833], [1835], [1849]
Market Street  [1854]

GLOBE TAVERN  [1849]
GLOBE
4, (5), Mount Pleasant, BILSTON

OWNERS
Thomas Price
Thomas Bromhill
Mary Ann Smith, Chorley Hall, near Lichfield
William Francis Clarke
Bent’s Brewery Co. Ltd. [1904]

LICENSEES
G W Webber [1858]
Enoch Meachem [1861]
Thomas Price [1864] – [1877];
Thomas Bromhill (1877 – 1883);
Henry Baker (1883 – 1885);
William Francis Clarke (1885 – 1896);
Stephen Allen Corbett (1896 – 1899);
William Nathaniel Cottrell (1899 – 1900);
Edward Salter Nickson (1900 – 1902);
Alfred Guest (1902 – 1904);
James Walters (1904 – 1917);
James Newton Cowling (1917 – 1923);
William Austin Fair (1923 – 1930);
David Fisher (1930 – 1939);
John McArdle (1939 – []
Mrs. Mildred E Bamber [1940]
Harry Southall – Owen [late 1950’s]

NOTES
4, Mount Pleasant [1861], [1871]
5, Mount Pleasant [1881]

It was situated next door to the police station.

GLOBE TAVERN [1858]
GLOBE INN [1881]
GLOBE HOTEL [1884], [1904], [1916], [1921], [1932]

It was known locally as “The Gluepot”.
Enoch Meachem = Enoch Meatcham

1861 Census
4, Mount Pleasant – GLOBE TAVERN
[1] Enoch Meachem (38), coal and iron miner and beer seller, born Bilston;
[2] Sophia Meachem (32), wife, born Stourbridge;
[3] Enoch Meachem (15), son, iron miner, born Monmore Green;
[4] Harriet Meachem (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Daria Meachem (2), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Noah Meachem (6 months), son, born Bilston;
[9] Amy Meachem (70), mother, born Bilston;
[10] Joseph Smith (30), servant, locksmith, born Willenhall;
[11] Priscilla Johnson (22), servant, born Bridgnorth;
[12] John Ward (41), boarder, carpenter and joiner, born Stone, Warwickshire:

1871 Census
4, Mount Pleasant – GLOBE
[1] Thomas Price (44), colliery proprietor and licensed victualler, born Beguildy, Radnorshire;
[3] Sarah A. Price (18), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] William E. Price (16), son, born Bilston:

Thomas Price was also a colliery proprietor of Willenhall Road. [1873]
Thomas Price was also a colliery proprietor of Bunkers Hill [1874]

1881 Census
5, Mount Pleasant – GLOBE INN
[1] Thomas Bromhill (43), publican, born Doncaster;
[2] Susan Bromhill (44), wife, born Walsall;
[5] Mary Holcroft (18), domestic servant, born Bilston:

William F. Clarke = William F. Clark

1891 Census
Mount Pleasant
[1] William F. Clark (50), licensed victualler, born Ealing, Middlesex;
[2] Flora Clark (42), wife, born Winsham, Somerset;
[6] Elizabeth Griffiths (17), general servant, born Bilston;
[8] Wilfred Protheroe (26), boarder, comedian, actor, born Bristol;
[9] Thomas J. P. Jenkins (26), boarder, tragedian, actor, born Carmarthen;
[10] Ruby Jenkins (24), boarder, tragedian, actor:
1901 Census
Mount Pleasant – GLOBE HOTEL
[1] Alfred Guest (42), licensed victualler, born Netherton;
[2] Laura Guest (34), wife, born Netherton;
[5] Louise Townsend (25), barmaid in hotel, born Netherton;
[6] Martha Kinsey (16), domestic servant, born Bilston:
[The license was not transferred to Alfred Guest until 1902.]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 12/5/1928
Opening of the bowling season at the GLOBE HOTEL Bowling Green on Saturday last. [5th May]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 8/12/1928
“At the GLOBE HOTEL, Bilston, on Thursday night, the annual supper and presentation of prizes won by members of the Bowling League took place…..”

Closed
It was demolished in the 1960’s.
**GOLDEN CROSS**

74, Oxford Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Richard Walker  
Sarah Catherine Walker

**LICENSEES**

Richard Walker  (1865 – 1873);  
Sarah Catherine Walker  (1873 – 1875);  
Martha Pitt  (1875):

**NOTES**

It had a beerhouse license.

*Richard Walker*, beer retailer, 74, Oxford Street.  [1865], [1868]  
He died in 1873.

**1871 Census**

74, Oxford Street  
[1] Richard Walker (70), publican, born Peckington, Leicestershire;  
[2] Sarah Catherine Walker (46), wife, born Osgathorpe, Leicestershire;  
[3] Joseph Matchett (35), brother in law, labourer in iron works, born Osgathorpe, Leicestershire:  
[Osgathorpe is about 7 miles W of Loughborough.]

*Midland Counties Evening Express* 12/5/1875  
“Eliza Astley, a married woman living apart from her husband, at Daisy Bank, pleaded guilty to stealing a jacket, the property of Walter Pitt, from the GOLDEN CROSS, Oxford Street, Bilston, on Friday last, and a previous conviction having been proved, was sentenced to six months imprisonment.”

*Martha Pitt* was convicted on 18th June 1875 for permitting drunkenness.  
The license renewal to her was refused.

*Dudley Herald* 30/9/1876  
Bilston Licensing Sessions – “transfer of license for GOLDEN CROSS, beerhouse, Oxford Street, applied for by Mr. A. J. Langman was refused.”

The license was abandoned.

Check CROSS
GOLDEN CUP

68, (54), (53), High Street / Oat Meal Square, BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Jones
Henry Plant and Sons  [1896]
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1904]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Tomkinson  [1822] – [1830]
Ann Tomkinson  [1833] – [1835]
John Parker  [1841] – [1842]
Charles Stanley  [1845] – [1850]
George Rowley  [post 1846]
Joseph Morrell  [1851]
Thomas Hall  [1851]
George Cox  [1858]
Joseph Brywood  [1861]
Richard Churm  [1864] – [1865]
Joseph Hodgkiss  [1868] – [1870]
Henry Jones  [1871] – 1887;
William John Barnes Bates  (1887 – 1888);
Mrs. Elizabeth Shale  (1888 – 1891);
William Dudley  (1891 – 1912);
Mrs. Elizabeth Dudley  (1912 – 1920);
John Silvester  (1920 – 1921);
Fred Cox  (1921 – 1926);
George Cresswell  (1926 – 1932);
Betsy Cresswell  (1932 – 1935);
Frank Turton  (1935 – [1940]
A A Hodgkins  [1957]
James Timmins  [c. 1979]
J Archer  [1980’s]

NOTES

54, High Street  [1858], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1892], [1896], [1904]
53, High Street  [1891]
68, High Street  [1901], [1916], [1921], [1932], [1940]

It was popular for jazz music.
George Rowley was also known as “Ruff” Rowley, a bare knuckle fighter. He was born in 1821.

1851 Census
High Street
[1] Thomas Hall (33), licensed victualler, born Claines, Worcestershire;
[2] Elizabeth Hall (32), wife, born Thornbury, Herefordshire;
[4] Sarah Agnes Hall (4), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Emily Ann Hall (1), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Mary Powis (22), house servant, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Catharine Dile (16), house servant, born Ireland:

1871 Census
54, High Street – GOLDEN CUP
[1] Henry Jones (55), licensed victualler, born Stourbridge;
[2] Eliza Jones (40), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Jane Clerk (38), step sister, no occupation, born Bilston;
[5] Mary Fox (15), domestic servant, born Bilston:

1881 Census
54, High Street – GOLDEN CUP
[1] Henry Jones (65), licensed victualler, born Stourbridge;
[2] Elizabeth Jones (56), wife, born Walsall;
[3] Maud Walters (18), general servant, born Bilston;
[5] Elizabeth Ann Barlow (9), niece, scholar, born Bilston:

1891 Census
53, High Street – GOLDEN CUP
[3] Mary Hartill (38), barmaid, born Bilston:

1901 Census
68, High Street
[2] Elizabeth Dudley (41), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Sophia Steventon (20), domestic servant, born Bilston:

George Cresswell died in 1932.
Betsy Cresswell died in 1935.
A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]
A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]
James Timmins was born in Bilston.
He married Beryl on 18th September 1963.
He was chairman of Coseley Pub Watch.
It closed in 1985.
It was demolished.
GOLDEN FLEECE

5, (3), Fleece Street, (Ward Street), (3, Providence Place), (Gibbet Lane), Priestfield, (New Village), BILSTON

OWNERS

Clara Dallow, spinster, 20, Lewis Street, Penn Road, Wolverhampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Lewis (1872 – 1887);
John Jones (1887 – 1891);
Joseph Flavell (1891 – 1898);
Mrs. Susannah Flavell (1898 – 1904);
Lilian Timmins (1904 – 1905);
Robert Colley (1905);
John Harper (1905 – 1906);
William Harris (1906 – 1907);
George Rogers (1907 – 1908);

NOTES

3, Providence Place [1881]
Fleece Street [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

John Lewis, beer retailer, Ward Street, New Village, Ettingshall. [1872]

Dudley Herald 14/7/1877

“Bilston. The Attempted Murder At Priestfield. At the Police Court on Tuesday ….. John Griffiths (31), who was charged on the 3rd inst. with attempting to murder his landlord, John Lewis of the GOLDEN FLEECE, beerhouse, Priestfield……”

1881 Census

3, Providence Place – GOLDEN FLEECE
[1] John Lewis (59), innkeeper and chain maker, born shipboard (too young to remember);
[5] Emma Benton (13), general servant, born Bilston;
1891 Census
3, Fleece Street
[1] John Jones (41), licensed victualler, born Shropshire;
[2] Jane Jones (40), wife, born Bilston:

John Jones was fined 40s and costs, on 24th July 1891, for permitting drunkenness.

Joseph Flavell died on 11th April 1898.

1901 Census
5, Fleece Street
[1] Susannah Flavell (61), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Wednesbury;
[2] George Flavell (24), son, brewer, born Woodcross;
[3] Jabez Flavell (22), son, moulder iron foundry, born Woodcross;
[4] Mathias Flavell (20), son, moulder iron foundry, born Woodcross;
[7] Ann Hyde (10), granddaughter, born Woodcross:

Mrs. Susannah Flavell, beer retailer, Fleece Street. [1904]

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority in February 1908. It was refused by the Compensation Authority on 18th June 1908. Compensation of £350 was paid on 30th November 1908. House closed on 7th December 1908.
GOLDEN LION

46, Ash Street, (Old Green), (5, Chell Street), Bradley, (Upper Bradley), (Hall Green), (Daisy Bank), (Highfields), BILSTON

OWNERS

Enoch Clempson, licensee
Jeremiah Francis Baker, coal merchant, Albert Road, Wolverhampton
John Seedhouse, innkeeper, Princes End
John Seedhouse and Sons Ltd., High Street, Princes End  [1930’s]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Clempson  [1841] – [1851]
Mrs. Margaret Clempson  [1854] – [1861]
Enoch Clempson  [1868] – 1874);
Joseph White  (1874 – 1875);
George Williams  (1875 – 1879);
Samuel Smith  (1879 – 1882);
Richard Hyde  (1882 – 1884);
William Bourne  (1884 – 1886);
Thomas William Stanford  (1886 – 1891);
Samuel Millichamp  (1891 – 1900);
Thomas Stanford  (1896) ?
Albert Garvey  (1900 – 1901);
Esther Lucy Evans  (1901 – 1902);
Sarah Stanford  [1903] ?
Walter Bunch  (1902 – 1915);
Thomas Leach  (1915 – 1922);
Florence Leach  (1922 – 1924);
James ‘Jim’ Shutt  (1924 – 1933);
James Smith  (1933 – [1940]
Zachariah Pearson  [1970]
Roger Renton  [] – 1985
Stephen J King  [2005]
Maureen Cynthia Atkins  [] – 2006
Eliza Cunningham Groom  (2006 – [ ]

2007
NOTES

Old Green [1841], [1842]  
Daisy Bank [1849]  
Upper Bradley [1861], [1868]  
Hall Green  
Highfields  
5, Chell Street, Bradley [1896], [1901], [1904]  
46, Ash Street

LION [1841]  
GOLDEN LION HOTEL [1911]

It was known locally as ‘Smithy’s’.

Thomas Clempson = Thomas Clemson

1901 Census  
5, Chell Street  
[1] Albert Garvey (53), publican &c, born Stourbridge;  
[2] Betsey Jane Garvey (54), wife, born Sedgley;  
[3] Ernest Garvey (18), son, iron worker, born Sedgley;  
[4] Lily Garvey (16), daughter, domestic servant, born Sedgley;  
[5] Sidney Garvey (14), son, domestic servant, born Sedgley;  
[6] May Garvey (6), daughter, born Sedgley:

Tipton Herald 9/5/1903
“At Bilston Police Court on Tuesday before Messrs. G. N. Adams, E. Hickman, and Dr. S. Ashley- Smith, an old man named Joad Cox, boatman, of Ash Street, Bradley, was charged with being drunk on the licensed premises of the GOLDEN LION INN, Bradley.
Detective Quinn and Police-sergeant Gibbs deposed to finding defendant in the tap room in a drunken condition when they visited the house on other business.
Defendant denied being drunk, and said he had only had two and a half pints, and could walk straight.
A fine of 12s 6d, including costs, was imposed.”

Thomas Leach died on 13th May 1922.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]

It was demolished in 1970.
It was rebuilt on a site 50 yards away on the corner of Ash Street and Lord Street West. [2012]
GOLDEN LION
Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
William Cluett  [1834] – [1842]
James Akers  [1845]
GRAPES
Salop Street, Hallfields, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
William Hayward  [1868] – [1870]
GREAT WESTERN

1, Ash Street / Hall Green Street, Bradley, (Daisy Bank), (Hallfields), BILSTON

OWNERS

Holt Brewery Co. Ltd.
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Noah Halford  [1873] – [1896]
John Maddocks  [1904]
Louis Hercy  [1912]
James ‘Jim’ Cooper  [1916] – [1921]
Harry Morris  (1947 – 1952)
Thomas William Brookes  []
Don Concannon  [1992]
Mrs. Isabella A Kielman  []
Carmen Rawley  (2005 – [2006]

NOTES

Hall Green Street  [1896], [1912]
1, Ash Street  [1881]

It was the headquarters of Coseley Ladies FC.

1881 Census

1, Ash Street
[1] Noah Halford (48), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[4] Frederick J. Halford (8), son, scholar, born Sedgley;
[7] Harriet Grice (20), general servant, born Sedgley:

Jim and Hannah Cooper also ran a coal business from the premises.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, Second Division.  [1946]

Thomas William Brookes – see also HAND AND KEYS, and BRICKLAYERS ARMS, Daisy Bank.

Don Concannon was married to Pearl.

Carmen Rawley’s partner was Roger Wood.
She was born c. 1961.

[2012]
GREAT WESTERN
Hall Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Rogers
Thomas Salt and Co. Ltd.
Atkinsons Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Rogers  [1864] – 1875);
Robert John Rogers  (1875 – 1903);
Charles Mortimore  (1903 – 1904);
Thomas Atkiss  (1904 – 1906);
Stephen Allen Corbett  (1906 – 1908);
Thomas Hanks  (1908 – 1910);
Reginald Arthur Passingham  (1910 – 1912);
William Dunn  (1912);
William Vaughan  (1912 – 1913);
Jack Silvester  (1913 – 1920);
Henry 'Harry' Cooper  (1920 – 1925);
Joseph Johnson  (1925 – 1940)

NOTES

John Rogers was also a brewers’ agent and income tax assessor and collector.
He was an agent for Findlater & Co. Dublin stout and Salt & Co. Burton Ale.  [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census
Hall Street – GW INN
[1] John Rogers (50), licensed victualler employing one man, born Bilston;
[2] Hannah Rogers (49), wife, born Basingstoke, Hampshire;
[5] Alice Rogers (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Matilda Pearson, domestic servant, born Bilston:

Midland Counties Evening Express 8/1/1878
“The annual Dinner of the employees of the goods department of the Great Western Railway, in Bilston, took place at the GREAT WESTERN INN, on Saturday last. A most substantial dinner was capitally served by the host Mr. Robert Rogers and was heartily enjoyed…..”

1881 Census
Hall Street
[1] Robert J. Rogers (32), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] John Rogers (14), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Ann Billing (26), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:
1901 Census
Hall Street – GREAT WESTERN HOTEL
[1] Robert J. Rogers (52), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Lizzie J. Rogers (30), wife, born West Bromwich;
[4] Mary A. Ray (20), general servant, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Annie Martin (23), general servant born Sedgley;
[6] George Hadley (21), boots, born Bushbury:

Robert John Rogers was vice president and chairman of the council of Wolverhampton and District Licensed Victuallers’ Association. [1902]

Alfred Blud was fined £10 and costs for selling liquor to a drunken person on 16th August 1912. [Was he a member of the bar staff or manager?]

A music license was granted on 27th March 1928.

Closed
It was demolished circa 1975.
GREAT WESTERN
Canalside, Lower Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS
Lady Emily Foley, Stoke Edith, Herefordshire
James Bullock
South Staffordshire Brewery Co. Ltd.
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
Old Wolverhampton Breweries Ltd.
Frank Myatt Ltd.

LICENSEES
Ann Foley [1873 – 1879];
John Webb (1879 – 1889);
James Bullock (1889 – 1893);
Thomas Griffiths (1893 – 1897);
Fred Bourton (1897 – 1929);
Louisa Bourton (1929 – 1930);

NOTES
It had a beerhouse license.

Black Country Bugle
Letter from Mrs. M. Baker
“My gran, Louise Bourton, kept at that particular time the GREAT WESTERN pub, which serviced the drinking needs of the steel workers of that time. The pub was situated at the side of the canal in question and close to the factories where the foundry workers walked to work.”

1901 Census
Lower Bradley – GREAT WESTERN INN
[1] Fred Bourton (29), beerhouse keeper, born Leamington;
[2] Louisa Bourton (27), wife, born Bloxwich;
[3] Lily Bourton (7), daughter, born Bloxwich;
[4] Wilfred Bourton (6), son, born Bloxwich;
[8] Maud Bourton (3 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[9] Edith Taylor (20), general servant, born Walsall;
[10] George Keats (40), visitor, shoe maker, born Bloxwich:
Black Country Bugle (May 1985)

“…..opened in what had previously been Foley House. The GREAT WESTERN HOTEL only occupied part of the house, however, and the Green and Rickuss families lived in the remainder …..

By the early 1900’s the GREAT WESTERN had a thriving fishing club, whose members used the nearby Rocket Pools ….. during the 1926 coal strike Fred [Bourton] had a coal shaft sunk in the large garden of the GREAT WESTERN near to the closed Bradley Mission.”

Fred Bourton, beer retailer, Lower Bradley. [1904]
He managed a haulage business from the yard and stables behind the premises.
He died in 1929 aged 58.

License refused by Compensation Authority on 20th July 1930.
Compensation of £1,250 was paid on 29th December 1930.
License extinguished on 31st December 1930.
GREEN HOTEL

Wellington Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edward Jennings   [1986]
GREEN DRAGON

7, (9), Cross Street, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Sarah Steventon
Herbert Steventon
George Thompson, brewer, Dudley
William John Hawkes
Holdens Brewery (acquired in 5th February 1946) (they sold it on 25th June 1971)

LICENSEES

Sarah Steventon  [1871] – 1879);
Herbert Steventon  (1879 – 1889);
James Henry Hawkes  (1889 – 1890);
Elizabeth Lydia Hawkes  (1890 – 1891);
William John Hawkes  (1891 – [1940]

NOTES

7, Cross Street  [1871], [1881], [1891], [1901], [1904], [1912]
9, Cross Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
7, Cross Street – GREEN DRAGON
[1] Sarah Steventon (50), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Herbert Steventon (26), son, no occupation, born Bilston:

1881 Census
7, Cross Street – GREEN DRAGON
[1] Herbert Steventon (36), innkeeper, born Bilston;
[3] Mary Steventon (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[4] Georgina Steventon (1), daughter, born Bilston:

James Henry Hawkes was married to Elizabeth Lydia.
He died on 4th May 1890.
1891 Census
7, Cross Street – GREEN DRAGON
[1] Elizabeth L. Hawkes (39), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth E. Hawkes (18), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Hannah M. Hawkes (11), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Rachael Hawkes (10), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Emma Hawkes (5), daughter, born Bilston;
[9] James H. Hawkes (1), son, born Bilston:

Dudley Herald 24/2/1900
“Sale by auction of old established beerhouse …… GREEN DRAGON …… containing smoke room, bar, tap room, club room, two bedrooms, together with brewhouse, malt room and cellars.”

1901 Census
7, Cross Street
[1] William J. Hawkes (34), sheet iron shearer, born Bilston;
[2] Lydia Hawkes (34), wife, born Bilston;
[6] Lydia M. Hawkes (9 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Charlotte Darby (17), niece, domestic servant, born Bilston:

William John Hawkes, beer retailer, 7, Cross Street, Bradley. [1904], [1912]
He was also a brewer. [1914], [1939]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, Second Division. [1946]

[1969]
**GREEN DRAGON**

High Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

David Brown, gentleman, Highfields House, Smethwick

**LICENSEES**

Clement Hackwood  [1818] – [1830]
John Hughes  [1833] – [1834]
Thomas Burnish  [1834] – [1841]
John Walker  [1851]
John Larkin  [1864] – 1873);
David Brown  (1873 – [ ]

**NOTES**

*Clement Hackwood = Clemon Hackwood

John Hughes was also a blank tray maker.  [1833]

John Larkin was also a furniture dealer.  [1864], [1865]

The license was abandoned by David Brown.*
GREEN DRAGON

17, Oatmeal Square, (Hot Mill Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

J Walker [1858]
Isaac Walker [1861]

NOTES

Hot Mill Street [1858]
Oatmeal Square [1861]

1861 Census
17, Oatmeal Square – GREEN DRAGON
[1] Isaac Walker (29), victualler, born Bilston;

[This may be the same as the pub in High Street.]
GREEN MAN

178, Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Mrs. Ellen Hawkswood  [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census

178, Oxford Street – GREEN MAN

[1] Ellen Hawkswood (37), widow, innkeeper, born Bilston;
[4] Harry Hawkswood (7), son, scholar, born Bilston:
GREYHOUND

1, (13), Cross Street, (Upper) Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Daniel Cooper
Elizabeth Cooper
John Rolinson and Son Ltd., Five Ways Brewery, Netherton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. (acquired in 1925)

LICENSEES

Philip Partridge [1845] – [1850]
Daniel Cooper [1851] – [1873];
Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper (1873 – 1887);
George Ecclestone (1887 – 1900);
Joseph Swift (1900 – 1902);
Isaac Morris (1902 – 1904);
Charles Smith (1904);
John Smith (1904 – 1905);
John William Thomas Elliott Sedman (1905);
John Robinson (1905 – 1907);
Stephen Edward Williams (1907 – 1913);
Leonard Kinsey (1913 – 1927);
Stephen Edward Williams (1927 – 1933);
Esther Ann (Perry) Rose (1933 – 1935);
Agnes Harriet Brooks (1935 – 1936);
Edward Reynolds (1936 – 1938);
William Thomas Kings (1938);
Henry Ralph Till (1938 – 1939);
Harold Maurice Moseley (1939);
Mrs. Mary A Parker (1939 – [1940]
George Harris Rogerson [1940]

NOTES

13, Cross Street [1871], [1873], [1874], [1881], [1891], [1896], [1901], [1904], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1940]
1, Cross Street

Bradley United FC changed here.
Philip Partridge was also a grocer.  [1845], [1850]

Daniel Cooper was also a cattle dealer.
He was described as also being a shopkeeper.  [1868], [1870]
He died in 1873.

1871 Census
13, Cross Street – GREYHOUND INN
[1] Elizabeth Cooper (52), publican’s wife, born Wednesbury;
[2] Sarah Rudd (62), sister, colliery engineer’s wife, born Claverley;
[3] Hannah Chambers (16), general servant, born Bilston;
[4] Pauline Randle (9), general servant, born Bilston:

Dudley Herald 21/3/1874
“On Wednesday evening [18/3], a fire was discovered to have broken out on the premises of Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, of the GREYHOUND INN, Cross Street.  The fire occurred in the malt room, where there was at the time a large quantity of malt and some poultry, as Mrs. Cooper also deals in poultry.  Several of the neighbours rendered what assistance they could give by throwing water on the fire, and it was soon extinguished.  The damage sustained is estimated at about £40.”

Midland Counties Evening Express 13/5/1875
“Charles Strong was summoned for having, as secretary of a friendly society, refused to pay the sum of £2 16s to Thomas Briggs, a member of the Society.  – Mr. Barrow appeared for the complainant, who is a cabinetmaker, living in Railway Street, Bradley, and stated that his client, thirty-five years ago, fortunately or unfortunately, joined the ‘Glory of England’ Lodge of the United Order of Oddfellows, which met at the GREYHOUND INN, Bradley.  Since then he has paid his subscriptions regularly, and during part of the time he was secretary of the lodge.  He left that post in September last, and in February this year was taken ill.  He applied for relief, but although he had paid over £100 to the lodge, and was in full benefit, no money was paid to him.  On the contrary, he was informed that the lodge had no funds to dispose of.  He was ill until the 22nd March, and for those seven weeks he now claimed £2 16s, the relief due to him at the rate of 8s a week.”
- This case was adjourned until the following day.
“…..Mr. Spooner, and the learned Stipendiary, after remarking that the society seemed to be nothing but a drinking and burial society, and that the accounts were shamefully kept, ordered the defendant to pay the full amount claimed.  If the money were not forthcoming, a distress would be levied on defendant’s goods.”

1881 Census
13, Cross Street – GRAY HOUND
[1] Elizabeth Cooper (62), widow, licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;
[2] Elizabeth Cooper (27), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Betsy Nichols (18), domestic servant, born Bilston:

George Eccleston = George Egglestone = George Eccleston

1891 Census
13, Cross Street – GRAY HOUND
[1] George H. Eccleston (34), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
[3] Elizabeth Eccleston (11), daughter, born Sheffield;
[6] Isaac H. Eccleston (7), son, born Sheffield;
[7] Ellen Watson (25), domestic servant, born Wednesbury;
[8] Ellen Millington (15), domestic servant, born Bilston:
1901 Census
13, Cross Street
[1] Joseph Swift (50), publican, born Walsall;
[3] Annie Swift (24), daughter, born Walsall:

Leonard Kinsey was involved in the Rocket Pit tragedy in 1921. He was fined £10 and £5 5s 0d costs for aiding and abetting consuming of intoxicating liquor during prohibited hours. He died in 1963.

Esther Ann Perry married George Rose on 9th September 1933.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League. [1946]
A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]
[1949]
GREYHOUND AND PUNCHBOWL

51, (25), (26), (27), (47½), High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Mason, solicitor, Bilston
Edward Camfield, Bilston
Cheltenham Brewery Co.
Beard Brothers, Gresley Brewery Co. Ltd., Burton on Trent
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Avebury Taverns [2003]
Admiral Taverns [2006]

LICENSEES

Job Hartshorn  [1818] – [1822]
Joseph Reeve  [c. 1840]
Samuel Meacham  [1851] – [1854]
William Hall  [1858] – [1870]
John Smith  [1872] – 1873; 1873 – 1874;
Job Jeavons  (1873 – 1874);
William Highfield  (1874 – 1875);
George Whittle  (1875 – 1877);
Alfred Woodhouse  (1877 – 1879);
Mary Bowers  (1879 – 1881);
William Harfield  (1881 – 1884);
Septimus West  (1884 – 1893);
Richard Jones  (1893 – 1894);
Charles Galiner (?)  (1894);
Thomas Jones  (1894);
James Dyer  (1894 – [ ]
Albert James Richards  [1896] – 1899;
Edward Wilkinson  (1899 – 1900);
Richard Jones  (1900 – 1906);
Samuel Hughes  [1901]  manager
George Hassell  (1906);
William Haynes  (1906 – 1907);
Thomas Murray  (1907 – 1913);
William Baker  (1913);
Joseph Wheeler  (1913 – [1940]
Colin Shingler  [1991]
Stuart Clarkson  [1994]
Dawn Wheate  (1999 – [ ]
Sylvia Pitts  [2003 – [ ]
Casey-Ann Wills  [2005]
NOTES

25, High Street  [1858]
27, High Street  [1873]
26, High Street  [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1879], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]
47½, High Street  [1874]
51, High Street  [1912], [1916], [1940], [1994], [2006]

GREYHOUND  [1818], [1822], [1828], [1833], [1841], [1854], [1858], [1861], [1864], [1865], [1870], [1873], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1911], [1912], [1940]
PUNCHBOWL  [1879]

Grade II* listed

Reputedly haunted by the “punchbowl ghost” who walks from the smoke room to the bar, clutching a glass of whisky.

Blackcountryman (Autumn 1984)
‘Bilston’s Ancient Pile’ by Ron Davies
“…..though formerly known simply as the GREYHOUND, which title it is believed was adopted from the former Greyhound Coach Line, who appear to have been using the building as a coach house ….. Quite how long the building has been used as an inn is uncertain, but G. T. Lawley, referring to the interior decor of the building in his ‘History of Bilston’ in 1893 says, “After a century of hard usage from Miners and Iron Workers, the habitués of the drinking rooms, the house is much the worse for wear.””

Black Country Bugle (1978)
The GREYHOUND AND PUNCHBOWL
“The Bilston residence of the Mollesleys was the old, half timbered house, known at present as the GREYHOUND INN, High Street. There was a tradition current among some of the older inhabitants that it was formerly the Manor House of Stowheath and it was occasionally called by that name. This may have been from the fact that the Mollesleys, for several generations, were Stewards to Lord of the Manor. In one of the bedrooms about the year 1820 the following inscription was found cut in one of the beams - ‘John Mollesley 1438.’ ….. In his family [Green] it remained until the latter end of the 18th century when it was made into a beerhouse called the GREYHOUND AND PUNCHBOWL. This is the oldest building in the town …..

Job Hartshorn was also a field bailiff.  [1818]

1851 Census
High Street
[1] Samuel Meacham (36), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Meacham (31), wife, born Sedgley:

Wolverhampton Chronicle 9/6/1858
“An inquest was held at the GREYHOUND INN, Bilston, on the body of a female child named Margaret Turstans Adie, aged five months, daughter of Mr. Adie, grocer of Bilston. It appeared that on Saturday night the child was in perfect health, and retired to rest with the nurse and a servant girl. In the morning the nurse, when she awoke, was horrified at discovering that the child was dead. The jury returned a verdict of ‘found dead’, but from what cause death took place, there was no evidence to show.”
1861 Census
26, High Street
[1] William Hall (40), innkeeper, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Hall (40), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah A. Meacham (17), niece, born Bilston;
[5] Joe Meacham (15), nephew, born Bilston:

1881 Census
26, High Street
[2] Eliza Shannon (35), house keeper, born Bilston:

1891 Census
26, High Street – GREYHOUND
[1] Richard Jones (53), licensed victualler’s manager, born Bilston;
[2] Mary E. Jones (47), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Harriet Inskip (18), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
51, High Street
[1] Richard Hughes (52), widower, manager of licensed house, born Bilston;
[2] Joseph Hughes (20), son, bedstead maker, born Bilston:

A music license was granted on 3rd February 1928.

It was restored by the brewery in 1935–1936.
It was reopened on 7th October 1936.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Jim Wells was married to Shirley.

Dawn Wheate’s partner was David Asprey.

Black Country Bugle (4/11/1999) - Pub of the Month
“…..In its very centre, three feet from the bar, is a slender, twisted pillar, running from floor to ceiling. On closer inspection, this slim support turns out to be a tree trunk, with its roots still apparently clutching at the earth beneath the foundations, and its upper half nosing its way into the attic.”

It reopened in 2003 after being closed for 12 months for structural repair and refurbishment.

Sylvia Pitts was married to Steve.

[2012]
HAND AND BOTTLE

46, (40), (114), (117), Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Joseph Johnson
Nancy Baker, The Mount, Sedgley
Peck and Kerrison [1896]
Bent’s Brewery Co. Ltd. [1904]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Obadiah Johnson [1818] – [1835]
Joseph Johnson [1834] – [1876];
William Henry Jennings (1876 – 1878);
William Osborne (1878 – 1886);
Daniel Bayliss (1886 – 1910);
Phoebe Bayliss (1910 – 1911);
Thomas Downs (1911 – 1913);
George Henry Downes (1913 – 1917);
Mrs. Rosannah Downes (1917 – 1922);
William Benton [1923] ??
William Henry Porter (1922 – 1960);
Winnie Brown (1960 – 1978)

NOTES

114, Wolverhampton Street [1864], [1865], [1891]
117, Wolverhampton Street [1892], [1896]
46, Wolverhampton Street [1901], [1916], [1940]
40, Wolverhampton Street [1904]

Obadiah Johnson was also a weighing machine maker. [1833]

Joseph Johnson was also a weighing machine manufacturer and engineer. [1845], [1849], [1851], [1854]

1861 Census

113, Wolverhampton Street
[1] Joseph Johnson (52), widower, engineer, public beer shop, born Tipton;
[2] Nancy Johnson (26), daughter, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah Johnson (24), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Emma Johnson (18), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Obadiah Johnson (16), son, engineer, born Bilston;
[7] Pamela Johnson (13), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Naomi Johnson (9), daughter, born Bilston;
[9] Mary Johnson (8), daughter, born Bilston:
Joseph Johnson was listed as an engineer. [1864], [1865]

1871 Census
Wolverhampton Street – HAND AND BOTTLE
[1] Joseph Johnson (61), widower, licensed victualler and weighing machine maker, born Tipton;
[2] Pamela Johnson (23), daughter, housekeeper, born Bilston;
[3] Naomi Johnson (19), daughter, assistant at home, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Johnson (18), daughter, assistant at home, born Bilston:

1881 Census
114, Wolverhampton Road – HAND AND BOTTLE INN
[1] William Osborne (48), tube maker, born Kidderminster;
[2] Rebecca Osborne (46), wife, born Kidderminster;
[4] Phoebe Mansell (16), general servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
114, Wolverhampton Street
[1] Daniel Baylis (41), fitter and CROSS GUNS manager, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Baylis (33), wife, born Sedgley;
[5] Eliza Stewart (19), general servant, born Bilston:
[Was the HAND AND BOTTLE temporarily renamed?]

1901 Census
46, Wolverhampton Street
[1] Daniel Bayliss (51), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Bayliss (43), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Harold M. Bayliss (11), son, born Bilston;
[5] Minnie Weare (15), domestic servant, born Bradley:

Bowling club founded in 1922.
It later had the only bowling green in Bilston.

William H. Porter married Hetty Benton, the daughter of David Benton of the BOARD.

Winnie Brown (nee Porter) was the daughter of William and Hetty Porter.
She married Doug Brown.

Closed
It was demolished in 1987.
HAND AND KEYS

28, (121), Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

George Cockayne, coalmaster, Union Street, Bilston
Edwin Hickman, quarrymaster, Bilston
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

James Foster   [1818] – [1830]
John Lucy     [1841] – [1850]
Hannah Lucy   [1851]
Charles Lewis [1854] – [1861]
William Lewis [1864] – [1865]
James Lawley  [1868] – [1871]
John Smith    [1872] – [1876];
Samuel Leadbetter    (1876 – 1879);
William Reeves   (1879 – 1884);
Thomas Perkins   (1884 – 1887);
James Pitchford  (1887 – 1888);
William Clark    (1888 – 1889);
David Bayliss    (1889 – 1890);
Elijah Bickey    (1890);
Joseph Parker    (1890 – 1892);
John Thomas Chew (1892 – 1896);
Caroline Hickman (1896 – 1898);
Arthur Smith     (1898 – 1899);
Henry Lewis      (1899 – 1900);
Enoch Ward       (1900);
George Matthews  (1900 – 1902);
John Thomas Lloyd (1902 – 1904);
William Felix Williams (1904);
Joseph Garbett   (1904 – 1905);
William Henry Ralph (1905 – 1906);
Arthur Fellows   (1906 – 1909);
Edwin Davies     (1909);
John Thomas Fellows (1909 – 1914);
John Jones       (1914 – 1915);
John Thomas Fellows (1915 – 1917);
Mrs. Fanny Smith (1917 – 1922);
Thomas Samuel Bate (1922 – 1934);
Dora Bate        (1934 – 1938);
William Robert Nicholls  (1938 – [1940]
Ron Drinkwater   []
Thomas William Brookes []
NOTES

121, Wolverhampton Road [1864], [1865], [1871], [1874], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896]
28, Wolverhampton Street [1901], [1911], [1916], [1932], [1940]

OLD HAND AND KEYS [1818]

1851 Census
Wolverhampton Street
[1] Hannah Lucy (51), widow, victualler, born Lincoln;
[2] Ellen Evans (20), house servant:

Charles Lewis, licensed victualler, Wolverhampton Street. [1861]

1871 Census
121, Wolverhampton Street – HAND AND KEYS
[1] James Lawley (40), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Lawley (43), wife, born Bilston;
[4] David Whiteing (35), boarder, waiter in public house, born Uttoxeter:

1881 Census
121, Wolverhampton Road – HAND AND KEYS INN
[2] Sarah Reeves (49), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Sarah Johnson (22), general servant, born Bilston:

Evening Star 6/7/1882
“This morning while a moulder named Joseph Fletcher was at work at the Spring Vale Foundry, Ettingshall, he suddenly fell down and died in a few minutes. The deceased, who was 45 years of age, resided at 15, Wolverhampton Street, Bilston. Dr. Cameron was called in, but all he could do was to pronounce life extinct. The body now lies at the HAND AND KEYS INN, Ettingshall. A coroner’s inquest will be held.”

Evening Star 7/7/1882
“This afternoon Mr. W. H. Phillips, coroner, held an inquest at the HAND AND KEYS INN, Wolverhampton Street, Bilston, touching the death of Joseph Fletcher (45), of 15, Wolverhampton Street, Bilston. The deceased was a moulder, and engaged at the late Thomas Sheldon’s foundry, Spring Vale, Ettingshall. On Thursday morning deceased went to his work apparently in good health, but about 5.30, whilst at work, he fell down suddenly and died. Dr. Cameron, of Bilston, attended as soon as possible, but found life to be extinct. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that deceased died suddenly from natural causes. The deceased was in no society, and leaves a widow and five children wholly unprovided for. The youngest child is only four months old.”

1891 Census
121, Wolverhampton Street – HAND AND KEYS INN
[2] Selina Parker (49), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Edith Parker (18), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Selina Jane Parker (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Leo Parker (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Rose H. Scholefield (16), general servant, born Bilston:

Joseph Parker – see also NOAHS ARK.
1901 Census
28, Wolverhampton Road
[1] George Matthews (42), wood pattern maker and licensed victualler, born Chester;
[2] Fanny Matthews (41), wife, born Moxley;
[4] Lilley Matthews (19), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Violet Matthews (17), daughter, born Wolverhampton;

1911 Census
28, Wolverhampton Street
[1] Thomas Fellows (47), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Emma Fellows (44), wife, married 24 years, born Bilston;
[3] Leah Fellows (21), daughter, solderer, born Bilston;
[4] Susannah Fellows (20), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Sarah Fellows (13), daughter, school, born Bilston;
[7] Martha Fellows (11), daughter, school, born Bilston;
[8] May A. Fellows (9), daughter, school, born Bilston;
[9] Catherine Fellows (7), daughter, school, born Bilston;
[10] Elizabeth Fellows (4), daughter, born Bilston;
[11] John Fellows (23), son, iron tea tray maker, born Bilston;
[12] Elizabeth Fellows (24), daughter in law, born Bilston;
[13] Thomas Fellows (1), grandson, born Bilston:

Thomas William Brookes – see also GEORGE AND DRAGON, and BRICKLAYERS ARMS, Daisy Bank.

[1980]

Subject to a Compulsory Purchase Order in August 1985.
Closed
It was demolished in 1987.
HAPPY WANDERER

141, Green Lanes, (Marchant Road), Stowlawn Estate, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ansells Ltd.

LICENSEES


NOTES

Marchant Road
141, Green Lanes  [2001]

[1976]
[2012]
HEN AND CHICKENS

25, (32), (32–33), George Street, (Hall Park Street), Priestfield, (New Village), (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

Charles Clark, gentleman, Perton Grove, Wolverhampton
George Riley
Matthew Rhodes
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd.
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1946]

LICENSEES

J Evans [1858]
James Taylor []
George Riley [1868] – 1898);
Matthew Rhodes (1898 – 1903);
Richard Andrew Harper (1903 – 1908);
John Harris [1903] ?
Joseph Oliver [1904] ?
Joseph Benjamin Oliver (1908 – 1910);
Benjamin Oldfield (1910 – 1912);
Walter Addenbrooke Cook (1912 – 1913);
Henry Herbert Nuttall (1913 – 1927);
Harry Millington (1927 – 1930);
Mrs. Martha Millington (1930 – [1938]

NOTES

Hall Park Street
32, George Street [1870], [1892], [1896]
32–33, George Street [1871]
25, George Street [1901], [1904], [1912]

George Riley, beer retailer and pawnbroker, 32 George Street, New Village. [1868], [1870], [1872]
George Riley was also a pawnbroker. [1873]

1871 Census
32 and 33, George Street
[1] George Riley (37), licensed pawnbroker and publican, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Riley (36), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Lizzie Riley (10), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Maria Rowley (8), orphan, born Priestfield;
[5] Amelia Riley (20), domestic servant, born Priestfield;
[6] John Kirklam (18), general servant, born Endlebury [Enderby?], Leicestershire:
1881 Census
New Village – HEN AND CHICKENS
[1] George Riley (47), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Riley (46), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Eliza Riley (20), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Marrion Benton (19), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

1891 Census
George Street – HEN AND CHICKENS INN
[1] George Riley (57), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Riley (56), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Jane Warwick (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census
25, George Street
[1] Matthew Rhodes (42), licensed victualler and brewer, born Coseley;
[2] Elizabeth Rhodes (43), wife, born Market Drayton, Shropshire;
[3] Ernest Harold Rhodes (18), son, brewer’s clerk, born Coseley;
[7] Maud Elsie Rhodes (11), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Walter Sidney Rhodes (9), son, born Bilston;
[9] Victor Archibald Thodes (8), son, born Bilston;
[10] Lily May Rhodes (6), daughter, born Bilston;
[12] Percy Hubert Rhodes (4), son, born Bilston;
[14] Eliza Parkes (26), sister, born Coseley;
[15] Eliza Morrell (26), domestic servant, born Bilston:

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Closed
Demolished
HEN AND CHICKENS

16, (60+61), Green Croft, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas White, Derby
William Briggs, publican, 2, Ames Alley, Derby
John Paget, maltster, Castle Donington
Mrs. Paget, Derby
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mary Winsper  [1865] – 1895);
Stephen Winsper  (1895 – 1899);
Charles Francis Pitt  (1899 – 1900);
Mary Ann Pitt  (1900);
John Harris  (1900 – 1910);
Thomas Talbot  (1910 – 1913);
Jabez Flavell  (1913);
Frederick William Martin  (1913 – 1914);
Elizabeth Baldwin  (1914 – 1922):

NOTES

60+61, Green Croft  [1891]
16, Greencroft  [1901], [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

Mary Winsper, beer retailer and provision dealer, 60, Greencroft.  [1865]

1871 Census
60, Greencroft
[1] Mary Winsper (60), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Hannah Winsper (20), daughter, born Bilston;
[3] Stephen Winsper (18), son, born Bilston:

1881 Census
60, Green Croft – HEN AND CHICKENS
[1] Mary Winsper (70), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Stephen Winsper (29), son, beer brewer, born Bilston;
[4] George S. Pitt (10), grandson, scholar, born Bilston:
**1891 Census**
60+61, Green Croft
[1] Mary Winsper (80), grocer and beer seller, born Bilston;
[2] Stephen Winsper (38), son, brewer, born Bilston;
[3] Jane Felton (20), barmaid, born Bilston;
[4] Mary J. Powell (13), niece, scholar, born Blakenall:

Stephen Winsper, grocer and beer retailer, 60, Green Croft. [1896]

**1901 Census**
16, Greencroft
[1] John Harris (50), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Betsy Harris (49), wife, born Bilston;
[5] George S. Maddox (4 months), grandson, born Bilston;
[6] Katie Harris (4), granddaughter, born Bilston:

John Harris, shopkeeper and beer retailer, 16, Greencroft. [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 20th July 1922. Compensation of £1,300 was paid on 23rd December 1922.
HIBERNIAN TAVERN
64, Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Thomas Forgan  [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census
64, Oxford Street – HIBERNIAN TAVERN
[1] Thomas Forgan (58), publican, born Ireland;
[2] Bridget Forgan (55), wife, born Ireland;
[3] Michael Forgan (21), son, brewer, born Ireland;
[4] John Forgan (20), son, labourer, born Ireland;
[5] Edward Forgan (18), son, labourer, born Ireland;
[6] Patrick Forgan (16), son, no employment, born Ireland;
[8] Ellen M. Andrew (60), lodger, widow, born Ireland:
HIGHFIELDS
Highfields, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
John Skidmore  [1874]
HIMLEY ARMS

16, (91), (136), (96), (52), Dudley Street (North), [Temple Street], BILSTON

OWNERS

John Bishop, draper, Bilston
Sarah Bishop, widow, Bilston
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1946]

LICENSEES

Thomas Tomes [1854] – [1858]
Benjamin Banks [1860] – [1861]
Samuel Perry [1865] – [1873];
Alexander Paul (1873 – 1875);
Edward Allen (1875 – 1877);
Elizabeth Baker (1877 – 1880);
Daniel Rose (1880 – 1881);
Edmund Darby (1881 – 1882);
George Thomas Lawley (1882);
Benjamin Moore (1882 – 1891);
Thomas Salt (1891 – 1893);
John Silvester (1893 – 1897);
Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Silvester (1897 – 1921);
Alfred Silvester (1921 – 1935);
Arthur John Edwards (1935 – [1940]
James Hale (1959)

NOTES

Temple Street [1860]
52, Dudley Street [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870]
96, Dudley Street [1872]
136, Dudley Street [1874]
91, Dudley Street [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896]
16, Dudley Street [1901], [1904], [1912], [1916], [1940]

HIMBERLEY ARMS [1861]

Thomas Tomes = Thomas Tome

1881 Census

91, Dudley Street – HIMLEY ARMS INN
[1] Edmund Darby (31), publican, born Wheaton Aston, Staffordshire;
[3] Alice Darby (26), sister, general servant, born Albrighton:
1891 Census
91, Dudley Street – HIMLEY ARMS
[1] Benjamin Moore (55), licensed victualler manager, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah A. Smart (28), niece, general servant, born Portobello;
[4] Ann Hadley (24), general servant, born Daisy Bank:

1901 Census
16, Dudley Street – HIMLEY ARMS INN
[1] Mary Elizabeth Silvester (49), widow, licensed victualler, born Bradley;
[3] Alfred Silvester (14), son, born Bilston;
[6] Mary Price (30), general servant, born Bilston:

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]
A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]

James Hale was born in Coseley.
He married Elizabeth Statham.
He died in 1959.

Closed
It was demolished circa 1966.
The site is now occupied by the market car park.
HOO ARMS
Hoo Lane, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Mrs. Fanny Clarke [1845]

NOTES
Check Tipton.
HOPE AND ANCHOR

12, (60), Bank Street, (60, Bilston Street), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Harris, puddler, America
Isaac Harris
Keziah Harris
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Hooper [1873 – 1874];
Isaac Harris (1874 – 1895);
Keziah Harris (1895 – 1896);
Adam Bailey (1896 – 1912);
James Paul Pickin (1912 – 1918);

NOTES

60, Bilston Street [1881], [1891]
60, Bank Street [1901]
12, Bank Street [1911], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census
60, Bilston Street – HOPE AND ANCHOR
1 Isaac Harris [36], beer retailer, born Bilston;
2 Kezia Harris [33], wife, born Bilston;
3 Polly Harris [8], daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
4 Rebecca Jones [16], general servant, born Bilston;

1891 Census
60, Bilston Street – HOPE AND ANCHOR
1 Isaac Harris [46], beer seller, born Bilston;
2 Kezia Harris [43], wife, born Bilston;
3 Jenny Harris [24], daughter, born Bilston;
4 Polly Harris [18], daughter, born Bilston;
5 Kezia Brereton Buxton [4], granddaughter, scholar, born Bilston;
6 Zackariah Buxton [3], grandson, born Wednesfield;
7 Isaac Buxton [1], grandson, born Portobello:

Isaac Harris died on 19th August 1895.
1901 Census
60, Bank Street
[1] Adam Bailey (51), publican, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Mary Bailey (51), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Alice Olive Williams (17), domestic servant, born Bradley, Bilston:

1911 Census
12, Bank Street
[1] Adam Bailey (61), beerhouse keeper, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Mary Bailey (61), wife, married 42 years, born West Bromwich;
[3] Florence Kelsey (16), domestic servant, born Coseley:

Adam Bailey, beer retailer, 12, Bank Street, Bradley.  [1912]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 3rd July 1918.
Compensation of £850 was paid on 21st December 1918.
HOPE AND ANCHOR

36, Bridge Street / Queen Street, (Duck Lane), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Jacob Brereton [1818]
Thomas Walton [1828] – [1842]
Ann Walton [1851]
John Evans [1858]
Thomas Griffiths [1867] – [1873]
Joseph Richards [1881]
Alfred Fellows [1892]

NOTES

Duck Lane [1828], [1830], [1833], [1841]
Queen Street [1858], [1868], [1871], [1881]
36, Bridge Street [1873]

ANCHOR [1818], [1858], [1867], [1881]
HOPE AND ANCHOR [1834], [1835], [1851], [1870], [1871], [1873], [1892]

1871 Census
Queen Street – HOPE AND ANCHOR
[1] Thomas Griffiths (54), publican, born Darlaston;
[2] Sarah Griffiths (54), wife, born Darlaston;
[3] George Griffiths (36), son, gun lock filer, born Darlaston;
[5] James Griffiths (10), son, scholar, born Darlaston;
[6] Sarah Howell (24), daughter, born Darlaston;
[8] Samuel Howell, (1 month), grandson, born Bilston:

1881 Census
Queens Street – ANCHOR INN
[1] Joseph Richards (60), chartermaster, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Herbert Richards (26), son, labourer in coalfield, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Mary Garbett (20), domestic servant, born Toll End:
HOP POLE

72, (63), (68), Dudley Street (South), BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Richards, licensed victualler, Dudley Street, Bilston
Charles Colonel Smith, Fox Brewery, Wolverhampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

David Baker  [1871] – 1876);
Mrs. Elizabeth Baker  (1876 – 1877);
Jane Elizabeth Garrington  (1877 – 1878);
Frank Eglington  (1878 – 1884);
Miss Eliza Eglington  [1881]
John Meanley  (1884 – 1889);
Thomas Winwood  (1889 – 1896);
James Cornelius Wooldridge  (1896 – 1912);
Mrs. Susannah Wooldridge  (1912 – 1913);
Adam Bailey  (1913 – 1920);
Arthur Samuel Caddick  (1920 – 1926);
Robert Reynolds  (1926 – 1931);
Harry Martin  (1931 – 1933);
Walter Edward Draisey  (1933 – [1940]
Albert Matthews  []

NOTES

68, Dudley Street  [1871]
63, Dudley Street  [1881], [1891], [1904]
72, Dudley Street  [1901], [1904], [1911], [1912], [1921]

FOX  [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

68, Dudley Street
[1] David Baker (50), publican, born Tipton;
[2] Elizabeth Baker (49), wife, born Tipton;
[8] Joseph Baker (13), son, scholar, born Tipton:

David Baker died in 1876.

Elizabeth Baker died in 1877.
1881 Census
63, Dudley Street – HOP POLE INN
[1] Eliza Eglington (36), unmarried, beerhouse keeper, born Cradley Heath:

1891 Census
63, Dudley Street – HOP POLE
[4] Eliza Westwood (17), general servant, born Daisy Bank:

Thomas Winwood, beer retailer, 63, Dudley Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
72, Dudley Street – FOX INN
[1] James C. Wooldridge (45), innkeeper, born Sedgley;
[2] Susan Wooldridge (47), wife, born Bilston;
[3] John New (17), stepson, tin polisher, born Bilston:

James Cornelius Wooldridge, beer retailer, 72, Dudley Street.  [1904]

1911 Census
72, Dudley Street
[2] Susannah Wooldridge (57), wife, married 14 years, born Bilston;
[3] Edwin Leonard New (22), boarder, tin plate worker, born Bilston:

Mrs. Susannah Wooldridge, beer retailer, 72, Dudley Street.  [1912]

Walter Edward Draisey = Walter Braisey

A team from here took part in the Bilston Charity Darts League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A.  [1946]

Albert Matthews married Ethel.  See also ROCKET POOLS and OLD BUSH.

[1986]
HOP POLE

Hall Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Chambers  [1818] – [1835]

NOTES

Richard Chambers was also a baker  [1818]

Richard Chambers, retailer of beer, Hall Street.  [1835]
HOP POLE

2, (20), Market Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Daniel Evans
Sarah Evans
William Butler and Co. Ltd. (leased)
John Thomas Mottram
George Henry Harbach
Johnson and Phipps Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Daniel Evans* [1858] – [1861]
David Evans* [1864]
Daniel Evans* [1865] – 1877;
Mrs. Sarah Evans (1877 – 1886);
Mrs. Jane Randall (1886 – 1897);
Miss Ellen Ralph [1892] (?)
John Thomas Mottram (1897 – 1924);
Horace Henry Harbach (1924 – 1926);
George Henry Harbach (1926 – 1936);
Leonard Lilley (1936 – [1940]

NOTES

20, Market Street [1858], [1865], [1891], [1896], [1901]
2, Market Street [2005], [2006]

It was situated next to Bilston bus station. [2006]

* possibly the same person

1871 Census
Market Street
[1] Daniel Evans (49), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Evans (46), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Daniel Evans (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Jane Hart (18), domestic servant, born London:

Daniel Evans died in 1877.

1881 Census
Market Street
[1] Sarah Evans (56), widow, innkeeper, born Bilston;
[2] Daniel Evans (18), son, born Bilston;
[3] Mary Perry (18), domestic servant, born Tipton:
1891 Census
20, Market Street – HOP POLE INN
[1] Jane Randall (55), widow, publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Amelia J. Hinde (15), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

Jane Randall – see also SWAN GARDEN TAVERN

1901 Census
20, Market Street – HOP POLE INN
[1] John T. Mottram (31), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Mottram (30), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Clare Mottram (3 months), daughter, born Bilston:

John Thomas Mottram brewed here. [1921]

Horace Henry Harbach brewed here. [1926]

Closed
Demolished
Rebuilt

[2012]
HORSE AND JOCKEY

72, [79], Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Samuel Holloway, timber merchant, Bilston
Eliza Holloway
Thomas Jones, commission agent, Parkfield Street, Wolverhampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Samuel Holloway  [1818] – [1851]
Ann Fowler  [1851] – [1865]
Peter Nixon  [1868] – [1880];
Mrs. Rebecca Nixon  [1881]  manager
John Jenks (?)  (1880 – 1886);
Joseph Brooks (?)  (1886 – 1887);
Thomas Price (?)  (1887);
Joseph Holberry  (1887 – 1888);
William Pettifer  (1888 – 1891);
George Ellis  (1891 – 1892);
Thomas Joseph Hodgson  (1892 – 1897);
Edward ?  (1897 – 1898);
Henry ?  (1898 – 1900);
Thomas Legge  (1900);
Frederick John (?)  (1900 – [ ]
Edward Henry Till  [1901] – [1902];
Thomas Lindsay  (1902);
Alfred Plant  (1902 – [ ]
Samuel Mansell  [1904]
Harry Weare  [1912] – [1916]
George Jones  [1921]
Jack Howard  [ ]
M G L Jackson  [1940]
W E Perry  [1976]
Kathleen Riley  [1980’s]
Susan Tiernan  [2005]
NOTES

79, Church Street [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1904]
72, Church Street [1901], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1940]

Samuel Holloway was also a boat builder. [1818], [1833]

1861 Census
79, Church Street
[1] Ann Fowler (66), widow, licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] John Fowler (26), son, sheet iron furnace man, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah Fowler (21), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Sarah Palin (18), general servant, born Bilston:

1871 Census
79, Church Street
[1] Peter Nixon (36), publican employing one man, born Copesthorne, Cheshire;
[4] Sarah Fowler (18), daughter, bar assistant, born Bilston;
[5] Thomas Goodman (39), assistant brewer, born Birmingham:

Peter Nixon died on 2nd February 1880.

1881 Census
79, Church Street
[1] Rebecca Nixon (56), widow, manageress of liquor shop, born Bilston;
[2] Eliza Bate (18), general servant, born Bilston;
[3] Thomas Goodman (50), brewer, born Birmingham:

1891 Census
79, Church Street
[3] Mary Rook (18), general servant, born Oldbury:

Thomas Joseph Hodgson = Thomas Joseph Hodson

1901 Census
72, Church Street – HORSE AND JOCKEY INN
[1] Edward H. Till (52), licensed victualler, born Tettenhall Wood;
[2] Lucy Till (48), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Lucy Till (17), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Emily Till (14), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Annie Rhodes (19), general servant, born Wolverhampton:
Bilston and Willenhall Times 20/10/1928
“Members of the Loyal Lily of the Valley Lodge (MU) of Oddfellows passed a pleasant evening at a social gathering at the HORSE AND JOCKEY INN, Church Street, Bilston. The NG (Bro. L. Smith, PG) presided, and was supported by district officers…..”

Bilston and Willenhall Times 24/11/1928
“The annual show of racing pigeons arranged by the Bilston and District Flying Club was held on Saturday night last at the HORSE AND JOCKEY INN, Church Street…..”

Jack Howard married Elizabeth Robinson (daughter of Tom ‘Tarpole’ Robinson).


[2012]
IRONMASTER

Wesley Street, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

M Zakula   [1983]
Timothy Richard Aston   [2005]

NOTES

It opened in 1972.

[2007]

Closed   [2008], [2012]
JAPANNERS ARMS

116, (132), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Eliza Kendrick, wife of Arthur, Yarnfield, near Stone
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston

LICENSEES

Mrs. Mary Smith [1868] – 1876);
William Swift (1876 – 1877);
John Stokes (1877 – 1878);
Henry Sirrett (1878 – 1881);
Richard Pinch (1881);
Walter Thorman (1881);
William Swift (1881 – 1884);
Joseph Yale (1884 – 1885);
Joseph Ball (1885 – 1886);
Susanna Benson (1886 – 1887);
Job Stokes (1887 – 1888);
Isaiah Wantling (1888);
George Smith (1888 – 1890);
Arthur Edward Devereux (1890 – 1893);
Frank Haynes (1893 – 1898);
William Beardmore (1898 – 1903);
Isaac Roper (1903 – 1912);
Louisa Jones (1912):

NOTES

132, Oxford Street
116, Oxford Street [1901], [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

Mrs. Mary Smith, japanner and beer retailer, 132, Oxford Street. [1868]

Mary Smith died in 1876.

1901 Census

116, Oxford Street – Beerhouse
[2] Mary Beardmore (18), daughter, dressmaker, born Bilston;
[5] Myra Cotterill (13), domestic servant, born Bilston:
Isaac Roper, beer retailer, 116, Oxford Street. [1904], [1912]

1911 Census
116, Oxford Street
[1] Isaac Roper (62), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Ann Roper (51), wife, married 32 years, born Bilston;
[3] Mary Elizabeth Roper (21), daughter, millinery shop assistant, born Bilston;
[6] Bertha Fisher (30), boarder, domestic servant, born Willenhall;
[7] Grace Roper (7), daughter, school, born Bilston:

License refused by Compensation Authority on 18th July 1912.
Compensation of £500 was paid on 21st December 1912.
License extinguished on 28th December 1912.
JOLLY COLLIER

Bristol Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Riley

LICENSEES

Henry Riley* [1845] – [1861]
Henry Riley* [1873] – 1876;* 
William Riley 1876 – [ ]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

* probably the same person

Henry Riley was described as a brickmaker [1845], [1849], [1850]
He was described as a miner. [1851]

1861 Census
Bristol Street
[1] Henry Riley (55), victualler, born Coston (?), Warwickshire;
[2] Emily Riley (58), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Jane Wade (13), servant, born London:

Henry Riley died in 1876.

Freeman’s Black Country Folk
‘Harry R ….. Sells His Wife’
“Harry was the landlord of the JOLLY COLLIER INN ….. and as a butty collier worked some profitable pits in the Lunt Colliery. Like many of his craft he came from Shropshire ….. His wife and he decided that a change was advisable, and it was arranged for her to be sold in Bilston market……”

The license was abandoned.
KINGS ARMS

12, Church Street / Lichfield Street, Swan Bank, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ralph Gough
Charles Gray

LICENSEES

John Tomkys [1818] – [1841]
Mrs. M Tomkys [1845]
Mrs. Ellen Busst [1849] – [1851]
Henry Oliver [1858]
William Lewis [1861]
Ralph Gough [1873] – 1879)
Charles Gray (1879 – [ ]

NOTES

Court of Request and Excise Office [1833]
Excise office [1822], [1941]
Commercial and Excise office [1828]
Commercial, coaching and Excise office [1845]
Commercial house and Excise office [1830], [1835], [1849], [1850]
Commercial inn [1851]
Inn and commercial hotel [1851]

Coaches to Birmingham (The Mail), Liverpool (Bang-up), Manchester (Eclipse), Shrewsbury (Prince of Wales), Chester (Prince of Orange) and Holyhead (Mail) left from here. [1818], [1845]

The Regulator coach to Birmingham left from here every morning at eight, and returned the same evening at seven. [1822]
The Eclipse coach to Birmingham left from here every afternoon at half past three. [1822]
The Bang-up coach and the Prince of Orange coach to Birmingham left from here every evening at half past six. [1822]
The Prince of Orange coach to Chester left from here every morning at half past seven. [1822]
The Bang-up coach to Liverpool left from here every morning at eight. [1822], [1828]
The Aurora coach to Liverpool left from here every morning at nine. [1822]
The Rockett coach to Liverpool left from here every evening at ten. [1822]
The Royal Mail coach to London, through Birmingham and Coventry left from here every afternoon at one. [1822]
The Young Prince coach to London left from here every day at one. [1822], [1828]
The Lark coach and the Rocket coach to London left from here every morning at three. [1822]
The Oxonian coach and the Aurora coach to London left from here every morning about three. [1822]
The Union coach to London left from here every morning at half past ten. [1822]
The Shamrock coach to London left from here every day at twelve. [1822]
The Old Prince of Wales coach to London left from here every afternoon at three. [1822]
The Traveller coach to London left from here every afternoon at five. [1822]
The Eclipse coach to Manchester, through Stafford, Congleton and Wiimslow, left from here every morning at seven. [1822]
The Traveller coach to Manchester, through Stafford, Congleton, Macclesfield, and Stockport, left from here every morning at half past seven. [1822]
The Lark coach to Manchester, through Stafford, Stone, the Potteries, and Congleton, left from here every morning at ten. [1822]
The Royal Mail coach to Shrewsbury left from here every forenoon at half past eleven. [1822]
The Prince of Wales coach to Shrewsbury left from here every morning at ten. [1822]
The Young Prince of Wales coach to Shrewsbury left from here every day at a quarter before one. [1822]
The Shamrock coach to Shrewsbury left from here every afternoon at two. [1822]
The Oxonian coach to Shrewsbury left from here every night at eleven. [1822]
The Prince of Orange coach to Shrewsbury left from here every morning at half past 7. [1822], [1828]
The Union coach to Shrewsbury left from here every morning at 9. [1822], [1828]
The Shropshire Hero coach to Birmingham left from here every morning at 10. [1828]
The Eclipse coach to Birmingham left from here every afternoon at 4. [1828]
The Traveller coach to Birmingham left from here every afternoon at 5. [1828]
The Bang-up coach to Birmingham left from here every evening at half past 7. [1828]
The Shropshire Hero coach to Bridgnorth left from here every afternoon at 4. [1828]
The Royal Mail coach to Holyhead left from here every morning at half past 9. [1828]
The Royal Mail coach to Liverpool left from here every evening at 9. [1828]
The Independent Tally Ho coach to Liverpool left from here every morning at 7. [1828]
The Rocket coach to Liverpool left from here every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday nights at 11. [1828]
The Royal Mail coach (from Holyhead) to London, through Birmingham and Warwick, left from here every afternoon at 4. [1828]
The Oxonian coach to London, through Birmingham, left from here every morning at 3. [1828]
The Hibernia coach to London, through Birmingham, left from here every morning at 5. [1828]
The Union coach to London, through Birmingham, left from here every afternoon at half past 2. [1828]
The Old Prince coach to London, through Birmingham, left from here every afternoon at 3. [1828]
The Wonder coach to London left from here every morning at 8. [1828]
The Emerald coach to London left from here every day at half past 1. [1828]
The Independent Tally Ho coach to London left from here every day. [1828]
The Eclipse coach to Manchester left from here every morning at 8. [1828]
The Traveller coach to Manchester left from here every day at half past 2. [1828]
The Old Prince coach to Shrewsbury left from here every morning at 10. [1828]
The Emerald coach to Shrewsbury left from here every morning at half past 11. [1828]
The Young Prince coach to Shrewsbury left from here every day at noon. [1828]
The Oxonian coach to Shrewsbury left from here every evening at 5. [1828]
The Wonder coach to Shrewsbury left from here every evening at half past 7. [1828]
The Hibernia coach to Shrewsbury left from here every night at 11. [1828]

Magistrates met here every Tuesday. [1833]

Blackcountryman (Winter 1982)
‘The Cry Of The Children’ by C. J. L. Elwell
“John Tomkyns, landlord of the KINGS ARMS at Bilston, argued that the Tommy-shops were “a good thing, because the working classes are very improvident and extravagant; if they had their wages in money, the majority of them would spend it in ducks and geese and fowls, and starve the rest of the week; most of the colliers have large families and their wives, by means of the Tommy-shops, get sufficient provisions instead of the husband spending all the wages at once on drink or other extravagancies.””

Freeman’s Black Country Folk
‘John Etheridge’
“Before Police Court missionaries were thought of he (John Etheridge) regularly attended the Bilston Court which was then held at the KINGS ARMS INN, on Swan Bank…..”
Freeman’s Black Country Folk

‘Abel Hill’
[Abel Hill murdered Mary Martin and her 2 year old son.]

“…..His first hearing took place in the Justice’s Room at the rear of the old KINGS ARMS…..”
[c.1830].

A coach and omnibuses to Birmingham left here from 9 am to half past 9 at night.  [1849]
A coach to Bridgnorth left from here every evening at 5.  [1849]
An omnibus to the Potteries left from here every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, return every Tuesday,
Thursday and Saturday.  [1849]
A coach to Holyhead left from here every morning at 3.  [1849]
The Royal Mail coach to Shrewsbury left from here every afternoon at 4.  [1849]
The Salopian coach to Shrewsbury left from here every afternoon at half past 2.  [1849]
The Greyhound coach to Shrewsbury left from here every afternoon at half past 2.  [1849]
The Wonder coach to Shrewsbury left from here every afternoon at half past 1.  [1849]
Omnibuses to Wolverhampton left from here every hour.  [1849]

1851 Census
Church Street
[1] Ellen Busst (36), widow, innkeeper, born Wellington, Shropshire;
[6] Thomas Busst (11), son, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[8] Richard Harris (53), visitor, widower, former innkeeper, born Warwick;
[9] John Williams (22), visitor, wine merchant, born Birmingham;
[10] Mary Brown (29), chambermaid, born Whittington, Shropshire;
[12] John Amor (52), boot at inn, born Stockland, Dorsetshire;
[13] Thomas Kirkland (13), errand boy, born Coventry:

1861 Census
12. Church Street – KINGS ARMS
[2] Hannah Lewis (54), wife, born Rawcliffe, Lincolnshire;
[3] Mary J. Lewis (22), daughter, born Sedgley;
[4] Mary A. Lyons (17), servant, born _____rend, Somersetshire;
[5] John Kelley (22), servant, born Waterford, Ireland:

The license was abandoned.  [pre 1890]
It became Bilston Conservative and Unionist Club, and later shops.
**KINGS HEAD**

13, (12), Broad Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

John Shale, licensed victualler, Broad Street, Bilston
William Hanley, leather dealer, Willenhall
William Butler and Co. Ltd. (acquired in 1896)

**LICENSEES**

William Rhodes [1858]
William Butler [1864] – [1865]
H Mayer [1867] – [1868]
Henry Crown Wellings [ ] – 1869;
Sarah Wellings (1869 – 1877);
Samuel Wellings (1877 – 1887);
John Williams (1887 – 1889);
William Joseph Wood (1889 – 1899);
Ernest Wood (1899 – 1901);
James Caddick (1901 – 1903);
John Winyard (1903 – 1923);
George Cresswell (1923 – 1926);
Harry Llewelyn Paviter (1926 – 1929);
James Langford (1929 – 1934);
Henry James Darlington (1934 – 1936);
Mrs. Florence Jane Haynes (1936 – [1940]

**NOTES**

12, Broad Street [1874]
13, Broad Street [1871], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1904]

H. Mayer = H. Maher

**Dudley Herald 2/5/1868**

“Clearing out sale on 11th May ….. KINGS ARMS, Broad Street, Bilston ….. the whole of the public house fixtures ….. belonging to Mr. Maher who has no further use for them…..”

Henry Crown Wellings = Henry Crown Welling

Henry Crown Wellings died in 1869.

**1871 Census**

13, Broad Street – KINGS HEAD
[1] Henry C. Welling (60), publican, born Tewkesbury; [Isn't he dead?]  
[2] Sarah Welling (48), wife, born Tenbury, Herefordshire; 
[4] Emma Smith (33), wife, born Bilston; 
[5] George S. Smith (8), son, scholar, born Bilston:
1881 Census
13, Broad Street – KINGS ARMS
[1] Samuel Wellings (54), engineer and licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Wellings (43), wife, born Kidderminster;
[3] Samuel Wellings (14), son, house painter, born Bilston;
[4] Phoebe Wellings (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Thomas Wellings (64), widower, brother, general labourer, born Bilston;
[6] Thomas Wellings (28), nephew, general labourer, born Bilston:

1891 Census
13, Broad Street
[2] Emma Wood (49), wife, born Walton upon Trent, Derbyshire;
[3] Jemima Hill (15), general servant, born Bilston:

John Winyard also ran a saw mill.   [1912]

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League.   [1946]

It closed circa 1960.
Demolished
KINGS HEAD

(Middle) Field Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Shale [1818] – [1835]
Joseph Hartill [1841] – [1842]
William Rhodes [1849] – [1854]

NOTES

Field Lane [1830], [1833]
Middlefield Lane [1849], [1850]
LAMB AND FLAG

89, (16), (Lower) Salop Street, (Shropshire Row), (16, Highfields Road), (Hall Field Road), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Fowler, iron master, Albrighton
Rev. Charles Lee, Vicar of Bilston
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Banks [1818]  
James Ball [1864] – [1874];  
Mrs. Elizabeth Ball (1874 – 1876);  
John Fletcher (1876 – 1888);  
James Bibby (1888 – 1889);  
James Osborne (1889 – 1894);  
Frederick Jones (1894 – 1896);  
Henry McLaughlin (1896);  
Enoch Duce (1896 – 1898);  
Samuel Tate (1898 – 1899);  
Alexander Berry (1899);  
John Henry Jeffery (1899);  
John Little (1899 – 1900);  
Frank McDonald (1900 – 1901);  
William Henry Ralph (1901 – 1904);  
Henry Maddock (1904 – 1906);  
Daniel Dalton (1906 – 1909);  
Elijah Pountney (1909 – 1910);  
Alfred Pountney (1910 – 1911);

NOTES

Shropshire Row [1818], [1828], [1830], [1833], [1850], [1851]  
Salop Street [1868]  
Highfields Road [1871]  
Hall Field Road [1881]  
16, Salop Street [c. 1901]  
89, Salop Street  
16, Highfields Road

Good stabling.

It was known locally as the “Hell House”.

It had a beerhouse license.
Blackcountryman (Winter 1985)
‘Two Notorious Public Houses In Bilston’
“…..But if the SWAN was rowdy, the LAMB AND FLAG of Salop Street was positively the most riotous in the area, and was also a great resort of ironworkers. Standing as it did on high ground it was known as Hill House, but as riotous repute increased so it gradually assumed more suitably to Hell House.….. Tommy Banks, who kept the house for a time, was a big burly character who in addition to keeping the inn also managed the butchery department of the noted Banks’ tommy-shop. He entered into all of the excesses of the place with gusto and was locally known as the devil……. One singular feature of the inn was that it stood in the Parish of Sedgley and for that reason after became a sanctuary for men under pursuit when the cry was raised that the local bobby was on his rounds. Culprits simply entered the inn out of his jurisdiction……. The inn had quite spacious cellars where dog fights and cock fights took place……. Trading at the inn appears to have ceased early in the century.”

Will Banks was a bookmaker.
William Banks, beer retailer, Shropshire Row. [1849], [1850]

1871 Census
Highfields Road – LAMB AND FLAG
[1] James Ball (50), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Betsy Ball (47), wife, born Blockley, Worcestershire;
[5] Agnes Cockburn (21), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

James Ball was married to Elizabeth.
He died on 20th November 1874.

1881 Census
Hall Field Road – LAMB AND FLAG
[1] John Fletcher (49), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
[2] Mary Ann Fletcher (57), wife, born Bilston;
[3] John Fletcher (23), son, millman in ironworks, born Tipton;
[4] Elizabeth Fletcher (18), daughter, born Birmingham:

Frederick Jones was convicted on 24th March 1896 for two cases of permitting gaming on licensed premises.

1901 Census
Salop Street – LAMB AND FLAG INN
[1] William H. Ralph (34), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[4] Arthur L. Ralph (4), son, born Sedgley:

License referred to Compensation Authority on 24th June 1910.
Compensation of £725 was paid on 21st January 1911.
It closed on 28th January 1911.
LAMP TAVERN

Lichfield Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Mary Hawkswood  [1861]
LAND OAK
18, Wesley Street, Bradley, (Batman Hill), BILSTON

OWNERS
Richard Lunn
George Lunn
Thomas Plant’s Brewery Ltd., Netherton
Jeremiah Francis Baker, coal merchant, Albert Road, Wolverhampton
Thomas Oliver Ltd., Sandwell Brewery, Walsall Road, West Bromwich

LICENSEES
Richard Lunn [1861] – 1883;
George Lunn (1883 – 1892);
George Wainwright (1892 – 1894);
Titus Lowe (1894 – 1898);
John Percival (1898 – 1899);
James Tate (1899 – 1900);
Benjamin Beckett Cooper (1900);
George Asprey (1900 – 1903);
Stephen Edward Wilkins (1903 – 1906);
Isaac Bradburn (1906 – 1910);
Mary Bradburn (1910 – 1913);
Samuel Nuttall (1913 – 1914);
Benjamin Thomas Waterhouse (1914 – 1915);
Clarissa Alice Crew (1915 – 1916);
Martha Berhshebe Wisherell (1916 – 1923);
Stephen Edward Williams (1923 – 1926);

NOTES
It had a beerhouse license.

Richard Lunn, beer retailer, Upper Bradley. [1861], [1868]
Richard Lunn, beer retailer, Wesley Street, Bradley. [1865]
He died on 13th October 1883.

1891 Census
18, Wesley Street
[1] George Lunn (41), publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Clara Lunn (23), wife, born Birmingham;
[5] Agnes Lunn (1), daughter, born Sedgley:
1901 Census
18, Wesley Street
[1] George Asprey (41), stocktaker sheet iron, born Sedgley;
[2] Eliza Asprey (33), wife, born Birmingham;
[3] Percy V. Asprey (3), son, born Sedgley:

A billiard license was granted on 5th March 1920.

License refused by Compensation Authority on 28th June 1926. Compensation of £950 was paid on 24th December 1926. It closed on 31st December 1926.

Demolished
LEOPARD

97, (53), Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Edwin Purcell, hosier, 53, Church Street, Bilston
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Fellows  [1822] – [1835]
Phoebe Fellows  [1841] – [1842]
Mrs. Sarah Salt  [1851] – [1854]
Edward Foster  [1858] – [1865]
John Fowler  [1870] – 1884];
Henry Fowler  [1878] ?
William Fowler  [1879] ?
John Millard Fellows  (1884 – 1886);
George Price  (1886 – 1887);
William Wright Ball  (1887 – 1888);
Paul Lewis  (1888 – 1890);
Thomas Joseph Hodson  (1890 – 1892);
George Fox  (1892 – 1893);
Arthur Ray  (1893);
Benjamin Wilkinson  (1893 – 1896);
Jesse Veal  (1896);
Hannah Taft  (1896 – 1897);
Anne Massey  (1897);
John Groome  (1897 – 1898);
Henry Turchus [Tertius] Hodgkiss  (1898 – 1899);
Frederick McQuay  (1899);
George Walter Fox  (1899 – 1900);
Amy Cottrell  (1900 – 1902);
William Nathaniel Cottrell  [1901] ?
Richard Jones  (1902);
William Guy  (1902 – 1903);
Ernest Edward Lloyd  (1903 – 1904);
George Maddocks  (1904 – 1905);
William Guy  (1905 – 1914);
Igal Alfred Sidaway  (1914 – 1915);
Henry Tertius Hodgkiss  (1915 – 1916);
Annie Porter  (1916 – 1917);
Frank Pearman  (1917 – [1940]
Jack Hylton  [ ]
NOTES

53, Church Street [1861], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1892], [1896], [1904]
97, Church Street [1901], [1912], [1916], [1934], [1940]

It stood opposite to the CRICKETERS ARMS.

SPOTTED LEOPARD [1854], [1858], [1865]
LEOPARD [1822], [1833], [1873]

It had a beerhouse license.

John Fellows was also a mine agent. [1833]

Phoebe Fellows, beer retailer, Church Street. [1841]

1861 Census
53, Church Street
[1] Edward Foster (47), victualler and innkeeper, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Foster (53), wife, born Brockton, Staffordshire;
[3] Clara Salt (23), stepdaughter, born Brockton, Staffordshire;
[5] Frances Salt (20), stepdaughter, born Brockton, Staffordshire;
[7] Frederck Salt (14), stepson, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Elizabeth Bratt (21), house servant, born Bilston;
[9] Levison Martin (41), boarder, fishmonger, born Staffordshire:

1871 Census
53, Church Street – The LEOPARD
[1] John Fowler (36), innkeeper, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah A. Fowler (27), wife, born Bilston;
[4] John Cumming (23), visitor, journeyman hatter, born London:

Henry Fowler was a committee member of the Wolverhampton and District Licensed Victuallers’ Society. He was elected on 3rd January 1878.

1881 Census
53, Church Street – LEOPARD
[1] John Fowler (46), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Elizabeth Evans (19), general servant, born Princes End;
[5] Richard Andrew (70), boarder, tailor, born Berriew, Monygomeryshire;
[6] George Alcock (41), boarder, commercial traveller (japan goods), born Bilston:
1891 Census
53, Church Street
[1] Thomas J. Hodson (35), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Emily J. Hodson (11), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Alfred E. Hodson (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Eliza A. Hodson (2), daughter, born Wolverhampton:

1901 Census
97, Church Street
[1] William Nathaniel Cottrell (42), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Amy Beatrice Cottrell (10), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Florence Hutchinson (21), general servant, born Bilston:

Jack Hylton was married to Maude.

William Guy was married to Maria.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]

Closed
It was demolished circa 1970.
LEOPARD

Dudley Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Kimberley  [1873]
LION

79, (44), Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

George Masters, agent, Oxford Street, Bilston
George Masters, agent, Holly Bank, Congleton
Frederick William Plant, wine and spirit merchant, Bilston
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1904]

LICENSEES

William Fox Hollingsworth [1854]
Samuel William Hales [1858] – [1861]
William George Masters and Son [1864] – [1865]
William George Masters [1868] – [1870]
Charles Roberts [1871] – [1874];
George William Hands (1874 – 1876);
Thomas Barnes (1876 – 1879);
Samuel Barnett (1879 – 1881);
Charles Roberts (1881);
George Millard (1881 – 1896);
Frederick William Plant (1896);
Charles Homer Bond (1896 – 1897);
Frederick William Plant (1897 – 1906);
Mary Sophia Wright (1906 – 1907);
William Howard Collins (1907 – 1935);
Mrs. Ethel Mary Collins (1935 – 1940)
J R Hughes [1960]

NOTES

44, Church Street [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1873], [1874], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896]
79, Church Street [1916], [1932], [1940]

LION HOTEL [1861], [1865], [1870], [1871], [1891], [1904], [1916], [1940]
LION and Commercial house [1858]
Commercial hotel [1854], [1873]

Samuel William Hales = Samuel William Hale
1871 Census
44, Church Street – LION HOTEL
[1] Charles Roberts (35), licensed victualler employing 1 assistant, born Overton, Hampshire;
[2] Elizabeth Roberts (37), wife, born Walsall;
[3] Anne Roberts (9), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Charles Roberts (6), son, scholar, born North Wales;
[6] Harry Roberts (1), son, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Clara Callis (15), general servant, born Smethwick;
[8] Edith E. Hawkins (26), general servant, born Manchester;
[Overton is about 8 miles WSW of Basingstoke.]

1881 Census
44, Church Street – LION
[1] Charles Roberts (47), licensed victualler, born Hampshire;
[3] Enoch Wood (30), barman, born St. Ives, Huntingdonshire:

George Millard — see also BARREL VAULTS and SPREAD EAGLE.

1891 Census
44, Church Street – LION HOTEL
[1] George Millard (46), licensed victualler, born Eversholt, Bedfordshire;
[3] Laura Millard (18), daughter, born Walsall;
[4] Elizabeth Guest (23), barmaid, born Staffordshire;
[5] Sarah Stretton (25), general servant, born Derbyshire;
[6] Alice Davis (15), waitress, born Staffordshire:

George Millard — see also BARREL VAULTS

1901 Census
79, Church Street
[1] Mary Wright (44), widow, hotel manageress, born Bilston;
[2] Harold Wright (13), son, born Bilston;
[3] Winifred Wright (11), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Wright (10), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Emily Finlow (28), barmaid, born Kidderminster:

William Howard Collins was fined £10, on 24th April 1931, for suffering the bar of his licensed premises to be used for the purpose of betting.
William Howard Collins died in 1935.

Closed
Demolished
LITTLE SWAN

30, (40), Gozzard Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Parker, blacksmith, Tame Street, Wednesbury
Daniel Ratcliffe
Chater and Co. Ltd., brewers, Wolverhampton
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
Daniel and J. H. Ratcliffe, 17, High Street, Bilston
J. H. Ratcliffe, butcher, 32, Market Street, Hednesford
Millward Brothers Ltd., maltsters, Leabrook, Wednesbury

LICENSEES

William Parker [1858] – [1865]
Daniel Ratcliffe [1873] – 1894;
Thomas Hall (1894);
John Pagett (1894 – 1895);
Mrs. Ann Bird (1895);
Fanny Daniels (1895);
Joseph Davis (1895 – 1897);
William Dunn (1897);
Caroline Smith (1897 – 1898);
Eliza Hall (1898);
George Hall (1898);
Daniel R Bishop (1898 – 1901);
Thomas Hill (1901 – 1902);
Richard Bate (1902 – 1905);
Frederick John Thomas Haskew (1905 – 1911);
John Simmons (1911 – 1913);
Mrs. Sarah Maria (Vickers) Walton (1913 – 1929);
William Henry Vickers (1929 – 1940)
F E Owen [1976]
Frank Roper []

NOTES

40, Gozzard Street [1861]
30, Gozzard Street [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.
William Parker, beerhouse, Gozzard Street.  [1858]

1861 Census
40, Gozzard Street – LITTLE SWAN
[1] William Parker (50), victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Parker (48), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Thomas Parker (10), son, scholar, born Bilston:

William Parker, beer retailer, Gozzard Street.  [1865]

1901 Census
30, Gozzard Street – Public House
[5] Nellie Hunt (15), general servant, born Beoley, Worcestershire:

Haskew and Co. brewed here.  [1908]

John Simmons, beer retailer, 30, Gozzard Street.  [1912]

Sarah Maria Vickers married Job Walton on 19th March 1916.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Walton, beer retailer, 30, Gozzard Street.  [1921]
She was fined £10 and special costs, on 28th June 1918, for selling beer not exceeding 1034 gravity above maximum price.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Charity Darts League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Comforts Fund Darts League.
They won the cup for the best collection in 1946.

Frank Roper was the brother of Isaac (DOG AND PARTRIDGE).

Closed
Demolished   [2007]
LORD NELSON

2, (65), Bridge Street / Fraser Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Bowen, solicitor, Bilston
Elijah Price
James Wedge
Lucy Wedge
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1946]

LICENSEES

John Proffitt [1865]
Richard Silvester [1868] – [1870]
Joseph Shale [1871] – [1874];
William Evans (1874);
George Evans [1875] ?
Joseph Jones (1874 – 1882);
Thomas Winsper (1882 – 1886);
Job Winsper (1886 – 1887);
James Wedge (1887 – 1908);
Lucy Wedge (1908 – 1910);
Mrs. Mary [Wedge] Richards (1910 – 1916);
Eli Scarrott (1916 – [1940]

NOTES

65, Bridge Street [1881], [1901]
2, Bridge Street [1904], [1912]

It was built on the site of the Bull Holes, which had been used for bull baiting.

NELSON [1868], [1870], [1881], [1891], [1901], [1903]

It had a beerhouse license.

John Proffitt, beer retailer, 65, Bridge Street. [1865]

1871 Census

Bridge Street
[1] Joseph Shale (30), blacksmith and publican, born Bilston;
[2] Agnes Shale (28), wife, born Bilston;
[7] Betsy Wilkes (18), general servant, born Bilston:
“John Hartshorn, collier of Bilston, was brought up under remand, charged with stealing two knives and a steel, the property of George Evans, landlord of the LORD NELSON. The theft was committed while prisoner was drinking at the house of the prosecutor. - Mr. Willcock appeared for the prisoner, and pleaded previous good character as a reason why the sentence should be a mitigated one. - The Stipendiary sent prisoner to gaol for one month.”

1881 Census
65, Bridge Street – NELSON INN
[1] Joseph Jones (33), sheet iron roller, born Bilston;
[2] Catherine Jones (33), wife, born Bilston;
[3] James Jones (10), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Thomas Richard Jones (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Hannah Maria Jones (6 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Edwin Jones (35), boarder, shingler in iron works, born Bilston:

1891 Census
Bridge Street – The NELSON
[1] James Wedge (35), beer retailer, born Bilston;
[2] Lucy Wedge (32), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Lucy Wedge (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Wedge (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Mary Ann Fellows (16), domestic servant, born Bilston:

James Wedge, beer retailer, 65, Bridge Street. [1896]

1901 Census
65, Bridge Street – NELSON INN
[1] James Wedge (45), publican and coal dealer, born Bilston;
[2] Lucey Wedge (43), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Lucey Wedge (18), daughter, assistant to above, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Wedge (16), daughter, assistant to above, born Bilston;
[6] Alfred Wedge (5), son, born Bilston:

James Wedge, beer retailer, 2, Bridge Street. [1904]
He died on 20th December 1908.

Lucy Wedge died on 3rd June 1910.

Mary Wedge married David Richards.

Mrs. Mary Richards, beer retailer, 2, Bridge Street. [1912]

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Closed
It was demolished circa 1970.
LORD NELSON

Wednesbury Oak, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Lunn  [1851]

NOTES

[This possibly belongs to Princes End, Tipton.]
MALT SHOVEL

Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Susannah Halford  [1818] – [1830]
Benjamin Goodred  [1833] – [1835]

NOTES

Benjamin Goodred = Benjamin Goodbred
MALT SHOVEL

91, (40), Oxford Street, (Oxford Road), BILSTON

OWNERS

Richard Pearson Snr., gentleman, Wednesfield
Frederick William Plant
Henry Plant and Son  [1896]
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1904], [1934], [1946]

LICENSEES

Joseph Linney    [1849] – [1850]
Ann White      [1851]
Henry Plant  [1864] – [1870]
William Jeffery  [1871] manager
George French    [1873] – [1875];
Henry Plant    [1874]  (?)
Frederick William Plant   (1875 – 1877);
Isaac Richardson (1877 – 1880);
William Matthews   (1880 – 1883);
William Griffin   (1883 – 1900);
John Danks   (1900 – 1902);
Mrs. Phoebe Danks (1902 – 1911);
Robert Rudge (1911);
Walter Waldron    (1911 – 1914);
George Powell    (1914 – 1922);
Edwin Hill   (1922 – 1937);
Harry Frederick Thomas   (1937 – [1940]

NOTES

Oxford Road  [1828]
40, Oxford Street   [1864], [1865], [1871], [1874], [1881], [1891], [1896], [1904]
91, Oxford Street [1901], [1916], [1940]

It stood between the SADDLE AND STIRRUPS and TALBOT.

William Brown was also a maltster.  [1818], [1845]

Henry Plant, wine and spirit vaults, 40-41, Oxford Street.  [1868]

Frederick William Plant, wine and spirit vaults, 40 and 41, Oxford Street.  [1870]

1871 Census
40, Oxford Street
[1] William Jeffery (27), manager of liquor vaults, born Northampton;
[2] Mary A. Jeffery (29), wife, assistant in liquor vaults:
**1881 Census**

40, Oxford Street – MALT SHOVEL INN

1. William Matthews (37), licensed victualler, born Minety, Wiltshire;
2. Emily Matthews (46), wife, born Warwick;
3. Annie Matthews (13), daughter, scholar, born Stockton on Tees;
4. Jane Matthews (11), daughter, scholar, born Middlesbrough;
5. John Matthews (7), son, scholar, born Guisborough, Yorkshire;
6. Elizabeth Matthews (6), daughter, scholar, born Guisborough, Yorkshire;
7. James Matthews (5), son, scholar, born Middlesbrough;
8. Rhoda Holcroft (17), general servant, born Bilston:

**1891 Census**

40, Oxford Street – MALT SHOVEL INN

1. William Griffin (43), licensed victualler, born Leigh, Staffordshire;
2. Jane Griffin (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
3. Jennie Jones Griffin (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
4. William Griffin (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
5. Samuel Andrew Griffin (7), son, scholar, born Bilston;
6. Robert Thomas Griffin (5), son, scholar, born Bilston:

William Griffin was convicted on 23rd October 1894 for permitting drunkenness.

**1901 Census**

91, Oxford Street

1. John Danks (45), publican, born Bradley;
2. Phoebe Danks (42), wife, born Sedgley;
3. Mary E. Danks (14), daughter, school teacher, born Sedgley;
4. Stephen J. Danks (13), son, office boy, born Bilston;
5. Frederick C. Danks (11), son, born Bilston;
6. Lilian V. M. Danks (11 months), daughter, born Sedgley;
7. Clara Hamsley (19), general servant, born Sedgley;
8. Sarah M. Briscoe (14), general servant, born Sedgley:

John Danks died on 11th July 1902.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Closed
Demolished
MANCHESTER HOUSE

Coseley Row, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Bywater, clerk, Birmingham

LICENSEES

Edward Roberts  ( ] – 1873);
John Shipley  ( 1873 – [ ]

NOTES

License abandoned – House down.
MANOR

94, Stowheath Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

Courage Ltd.

LICENSEES

Carole O’Rourke   [1986]
Christina Wilkes  [2005]

NOTES

[1976]
[1997]
It was renamed the HARE AND HOUNDS.   [2001]

[2008]
Closed  [2011], [2012]
MARKET TAVERN

81, (45), (46), Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Plant, wine merchant, Penkridge
Henry Plant and Sons  [1896]
Frederick William Plant
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1904]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.  [1975]

LICENSEES

John Green  [1851]
W Ashcroft  [1858]
Walter Plant  [1873] – 1876);
Henry Plant  (1876 – 1877);
Frederick William Plant  (1877 – 1917);
Miss Sarah A Overton  [1891] manageress
Walter Waldron  (1917 – 1937);
Edwin Hill  (1937 – 1940)
Grant McMurchie  [pre 1995]
Graham Williams  [2005]

NOTES

46, Church Street  [1858]
45, Church Street  [1881], [1891], [1896], [1904]
81, Church Street  [1901], [1916], [1921], [1940], [1994], [1997], [2002], [2003]

MARKET VAULTS  [1858]

Tokens were issued from here.

John Green was also a wine and spirit merchant.  [1851]

Midland Counties Evening Express 10/2/1875

“Walter Plant of the MARKET TAVERN was summoned for permitting drunkenness on Saturday night. - Mr. Barrow defended. - Police-constable Webb said that he entered the defendant’s house at nine o’clock on Saturday night, and found a man named Lavender drunk. He told him to leave, but going again in half an hour found him still there, and saw him drink some whisky. Several witnesses were called who swore that Lavender was not supplied with drink in the house, but that after being put out a nine o’clock he returned and concealed himself in an obscure corner of the liquor shop, and upon being discovered was again put out. - The learned Stipendiary allowed the summons to be withdrawn on defendant paying the costs.”
1881 Census
45, Church Street – MARKET TAVERN
[1] Frederick Plant (32), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Emma L. Plant (11), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Annie Salmon (24), barmaid, born Warwick;
[8] Jane Butler (26), nurse, born Bilston;
[9] Clara Caddick (19), general servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
45, Church Street – MARKET TAVERN
[1] Sarah A. Overton (33), unmarried, barmaid, manageress, born Sedgley;
[3] Griffith Evans (23), general servant, born Guilsfield, Montgomeryshire;
[4] Florence A. Richards (19), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
81, Church Street
[1] Martha Turley (21), barmaid, born Sedgley;
[4] Louisa Matthews (44), cook, born Eccleshall, Staffordshire;
[5] Annie Varley (14), general servant, born Bilston:

It was refurbished in the early 1990’s.

Grant McMurchie committed suicide in August 1995.

[2012]
MARQUIS OF WELLINGTON

Ettingshall Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Evans  [1835]

NOTES

Ettingshall Lane  [1835]
MINERS ARMS

1, Thompson Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Baker, air pipe maker, Thompson Street, Bilston
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
Cheshire’s Brewery Ltd. (leased)
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. (leased)
John Downing, brewer, Black Horse Brewery, Dudley
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Alfred Townsend [1873] – 1874);
Henry Baker (1874 – 1875);
Vincent Wheeler (1875 – 1876);
Francis Bridgman (1876 – 1881);
Joseph James Blackford (1881 – 1882);
John Millward (1882 – 1884);
Henry Baker (1884 – 1886);
Joseph George Hall (1886 – 1894);
Thomas Wood (1894 – 1896);
William Harris (1896 – 1897);
Thomas Hunt (1897);
Alfred Wood (1897 – 1901);
Edward Astwick (1901 – 1902);
Alice Astwick [1901] ?
John Henry Wright (1902 – 1905);
Charles Smith (1905 – 1906);
Henry John Underwood (1906);
Joseph Martin (1906 – 1907);
Joseph Dicken (1907 – 1908);
Arthur Perks (1908);
Frederick William Lewis Bowness (1908 – 1909);
Charles Smith (1909);
Henry Willey (1909 – 1911);
Frederick Ernest Bird (1911);
Thomas Roberts (1911 – 1914);
William Roberts (1914 – 1920);
Joseph Wilfred Law (1920 – 1922);
Job Lockley (1922 – [1940]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.
**1891 Census**
Thompson Street – MINERS ARMS
[1] Joseph G. Hall (29), beerhouse keeper, born Warwick;
[4] Matilda Molineux (23), general servant, born Bilston:

*Thomas Wood, beer retailer, Thompson Street. [1896]*

**1901 Census**
1, Thompson Street
[1] Edward Astwick (35), woolen draper’s traveller, born Flockton, Yorkshire;
[2] Alice Astwick (27), wife, licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Annie Cund (18), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

*John Henry Wright, beer retailer, 1, Thompson Street. [1904]*

*Thomas Roberts, beer retailer, 1, Thompson Street. [1912]*

*Job Lockley was fined £3, on 22nd July 1927, for supplying beer during non-permitted hours.*

**Bilston and Willenhall Times 4/2/1928**
“In applying for the renewal of the license of the MINERS ARMS, Thompson Street, Bilston, to J. Lockley, Mr. F. Cooper (Walsall) mentioned that on July 22nd there was a conviction against the house, and it might be imagined that the offence was a serious one. It arose, however, purely through a misunderstanding on the part of the licensee. It applied to some beer which had been served on a Saturday night, and had been put on premises at the back, to be called for on Sunday morning by a party who were having a day’s outing. The licensee had held the house for six years without the slightest complaint by the police or the owners of the property, and at the legal proceedings the police were good enough to intimate that they did not regard this as a case where the Brewery Company should be asked to get rid of the licensee. Mr. Cooper asked the Justices in this case, where the conviction was due entirely to a misconception, to renew the license to a man who had borne so excellent a character in the eyes of the police and his employers.
The application was granted.”

*A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]*
MITRE

Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Closed
It was demolished in the 1960’s.
MOULDER'S ARMS

Lower Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Lady Emily Foley

LICENSEES

Samuel Busby  [1873]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

The license was abandoned.
NAGS HEAD

Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Hickman, ironfounder, Bilston

LICENSEES

Edward Holloway [1818]
Thomas Jones [1851] – [1854]
Alfred Hill [1861]
Thomas Jones [1873] – 1885:

NOTES

Edward Holloway was also a boat builder. [1818]

John Hickman was also a brass and iron founder. [1833]

1861 Census

Wolverhampton Street – NAGS HEAD Public House
[1] Alfred Hill (32), coal miner, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Hill (29), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Aron Hill (2), son, born Bilston:

The license was abandoned in 1885.
NAVIGATION

1, (2), Salop Street, (2, Salop Row), (Shropshire Row), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Hayward
Mrs. Goodreid
Emma Goodred, widow, Salop Street, Bradley, Bilston
Edward Lawrence, brewer, Wolverhampton
Harmer and Co. Ltd.
Holt Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ansells Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Hayward [1854] – 1880;
William Goodreid (1880);
Charles Preston (1880 – 1888);
Alfred Fellows (1888 – 1889);
Thomas Whitehouse (1889 – 1891);
Mrs. Sarah Ann Whitehouse (1891 – 1895);
Joseph Danks (1895 – 1905);
George Willcox [1901] manager
James Clay (1905 – 1907);
Rachel Westwood (1907 – 1909);
Thomas Williams (1909 – 1919);
Mrs. Lizzie Williams (1919 – 1930);
Frank Holliday (1930 – 1932);
Louisa Bourton (1932 – 1937);
George Henry Wilkes (1937 – [1940]
Ron Higginson [c. 1960]

NOTES

2, Salop Row [1861]
Shropshire Row [1868]
2, Salop Street [1873]
2+1, Salop Street [1881]
1, Salop Street [1891], [1904], [1912], [1940]

The Bradley Marathon started and finished outside here.

Wolverhampton Chronicle 10/2/1858

“On Monday last, W. H. Phillips Esq., deputy coroner, held an adjourned inquest at the house of Mr. Hayward, the NAVIGATION INN, Bilston, on the body of Harriet Hayward, wife of the landlord of the inn. The inquest was held in accordance with the wish of the friends of the deceased, certain rumours having been current as to the cause of death. At the opening of the inquest Mr. Hancox, surgeon, gave it as his opinion that the deceased had died from excessive drinking, but according to the desire of Mrs. Hayward’s friends the inquest was adjourned in order that Mr. Best, surgeon, might make a post mortem examination of the body. At the adjourned inquiry Mr. Best confirmed the opinion of Mr. Hancox as to the cause of the deceased’s death – namely, the excessive use of intoxicating drinks. There were, he said, no marks of violence upon the body. The Jury returned a verdict accordingly.”
1861 Census
2, Salop Row
[1] William Hayward (40), victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Emma Hayward (39), sister, housekeeper, born Bilston;
[3] Emma Hayward (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] George Hayward (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Jane Murry (20), servant, born Sedgley;
[6] Thomas Butler (40), brewer, born Northampton;

1871 Census
Salop Street
[1] William Hayward (52), widower, licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[5] Thomas Butler (59), domestic servant, born Northampton;
[Was William Goodreid the person who followed William Hayward as the licensee?]

1881 Census
2+1, Salop Street
[1] Charles Preston (28), publican, born Wednesfield;
[3] Eliza Preston (8), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Eliza Percival (14), niece, born Wolverhampton:

1891 Census
1, Salop Street – NAVIGATION INN
[1] Thomas Whitehouse (45), licensed victualler, born Dudley;
[3] Maude Whitehouse (14), daughter, scholar, born Dudley;
[4] Edith Whitehouse (13), daughter, scholar, born Dudley:

Thomas Whitehouse died on 15th June 1891.

Joseph Danks = Joseph Banks
See also PRINCE OF WALES, Highfield Road.

1901 Census
NAVIGATION INN
[1] George Willcox (49), manager of public house, born Stone Easton, Somersetshire;
[2] Elizabeth Willcox (49), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Elizabeth Danks (19), waitress, born Bilston:

A team from here won the Bradley Darts League, Second Division, in 1946.

Ron Higginson died in 1981.
He was married to Lily.

[1956]
NAVIGATION

Pot House Bridge, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Abraham Brereton  [1818] – [1822]
NEW BULLS HEAD

High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Batte  [1818]
NEW BULLS HEAD

97, Wellington Road, (Wolverhampton Road), (Bilston Road, Priestfield), (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

Henry Ward, gentleman, Rodbaston Parsonage
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Phineas Bullock [1822] – [1858]
William Cook [1864] – [1865]
John Hughes [1871] – [1879];
George Hughes (1879 – 1880);
Richard Andrew Harper (1880 – 1916);
William Edwards [1901] ?
Harry Millington (1916 – 1917);
Howard Silvester Harper (1917 – 1918);
Charles Willis (1918 – 1919);
John Stokes (1919 – 1925);
Harry Boucher (1925 – 1926);
John Henry Golby (1926 – 1927);
Catherine Golby (1927 – 1928);
Jonathan Eccles (1928 – 1931);
Percy Thomas Mercer (1931 – [1940]
H Singh [1983]

NOTES

Wolverhampton Road, Bilston [1851], [1864], [1896]
Bilston Road, Priestfield [1874]
97, Wellington Road [1901]
Wellington Road, Bilston [1912], [1928]

BULLS HEAD [1864], [1865], [1871], [1881], [1901]
Phineas Bullock = Phinias Bullock
He was also a glazier and painter.  

1851 Census
Wolverhampton Road – NEW BULLS HEAD INN
[1] Phineas Bullock (42), innkeeper, born Bilston;
[3] Phineas S. Bullock (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Eliza Cox (22), house servant, born Bilston;
[7] George Mathews (22), ostler and brewer, born Condover, Shropshire;
[8] John Lane (33), leather factor and ladders ironmonger, born Stourport:

1871 Census
BULLS HEAD INN – Wolverhampton Road
[2] Elizabeth Hughes (38), wife, born Q_____by, Shropshire;
[5] Edward Hughes (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] William Hughes (7 months), son, born Bilston;
[8] Elizabeth Russell (10), wife’s daughter, scholar, born Q_____by, Shropshire;
[9] Mary J. Russell (5), wife’s daughter, scholar, born Q_____by, Shropshire;
[10] Ann Whitehouse (19), domestic servant:

John Hughes died on 8th May 1879.

1881 Census
Wolverhampton Road – BULLS HEAD INN
[5] Elizabeth Harper (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Sarah Ball (21), general servant, born Bilston:

Richard Andrew Harper was a brewe.  [1892], [1900]
He was listed as R. A. Harper, brewer, Hall Park Brewery  [1904]
(registered November 1916).

1901 Census
97, Wellington Road – BULLS HEAD INN
[2] Sarah A. Edwards (49), wife, born Tipton;
[4] Ann Griffiths (16), general servant, born Bilston:

Harry Millington was married to Martha.
He was fined £1, on 8th April 1918, for selling beer to a child under 14 in a vessel not corked or sealed.
A music license was granted on 6th February 1925.

**Bilston and Willenhall Times 28/1/1928**

“There was a good attendance at the NEW BULLS HEAD, Wellington Road, Bilston, on Wednesday night, on the occasion of the annual dinner of the R. A. O. B. ‘Wellington’ Lodge (No. 684). Bro. K. Pitt occupied the chair…..”

*Percy Thomas Mercer* was fined £15 and special costs of £6 5s 0d, and costs of 12s for using the bar of the licensed premises for the purpose of betting (and 3 other cases), on 21st June 1935.

[1990]

Closed

It was converted, along with neighbouring buildings, into a temple.
NEW INN

300, Bilston Road (Row) / Ettingshall Road, (Wolverhampton Road), Ettingshall, (Priestfield), (Monmore Green), BILSTON

OWNERS

Philip Partridge
Jane Partridge
William Partridge
Philip and William Partridge [1904]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Bill [1828] – [1830]
Thomas Bill [1834]
Catherine Bill [1835]
Philip Partridge [1849] – [1851]
Thomas Lowe [1851]
Ann Lowe [1855] – [1861]
Enoch Evans [1864]
Philip Partridge [1861] – 1880;
Mrs. Jane Partridge (1880 – 1888);
Philip and William Partridge (1888 – 1901);
Frederick Henry Hartill (1901 – 1902);
Charles Yeates (1902 – 1903);
Emmanuel Hanstock (1903 – 1919);
Edward John Peers (1919 – 1930);
John Walker (1930 – 1938);
John Herbert Jackson (1938 – 1939);
William Thomas Kings (1939 – [ ]
Bing Liang Feng [2005]

NOTES

Wolverhampton Road [1871], [1901], [1904]
Ettingshall Road [1891]

It was originally known as the DUKE OF YORK.

1861 Census
Bilston Road – NEW INN
[1] Philip Partridge (46), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
[2] Jane Partridge (45), wife, born Leek Wootton, Warwickshire;
[4] Philip Partridge (21), son, iron roll turner, born Ettingshall;
[7] Eliza Duckers (20), general servant, born Whitchurch, Shropshire:
1871 Census
Wolverhampton Road
[1] Philip Partridge (56), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[3] Philip Partridge (31), son, helps in father’s business, born Sedgley;
[5] Annie Partridge (27), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Philip Dixon (7), grandson, born Wootton, Warwickshire;
[7] Ann Lowe (76), mother in law, born Wootton, Warwickshire;
[8] Ann Munday (18), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

[Wootton = Leek Wootton.]

Philip Partridge died in 1880.

1881 Census
Bilston Road
[1] Jane Partridge (65), widow, licensed victualler, born Leek Wootton, Warwickshire;
[2] Philip Partridge (41), son, born Sedgley;
[6] Sarah Rubery (16), general servant, born Sedgley:

1891 Census
Ettingshall Road – NEW INN
[1] Philip Partridge (51), innkeeper, born Bilston;
[3] Jane Partridge (75), mother, widow, born Leek Wootton, Warwickshire;
[4] Emma Hateley (18), domestic servant, born Walsall:

1901 Census
Wolverhampton Road – NEW INN
[1] Philip Partridge (61), unmarried, publican innkeeper, born Bilston;
[3] Annie Partridge (56), sister, unmarried, cook, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Polly White (16), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

It was rebuilt in 1937.

[2001]

It became a “Bar and Oriental Restaurant”.  [2007], [2012]
NEW INN

84, Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Twigg, shoe salesman, Rhyl
Millward Brothers, maltsters, Wednesbury

LICENSEES

Abraham Lunn  [1868]
Joseph Taylor  [1873] – 1884);
Mrs. Eleanor Taylor  (1884);
Samuel Plant  (1884 – 1886);
Alfred Perry  (1886 – 1889);
John Hand  (1889);
Thomas Keay  (1889 – 1890);
John Griffiths  (1890 – 1891);
George Pearson  (1891);
Amy [Pearson] Fellows  (1891 – 1898);
John Timmins  (1898 – 1899);
Isaac Godfrey Daft  (1899 – 1900);
Samuel Timmins  (1900);
Thomas Dunn  (1900);  [1901]?
Catherine Harold  (1900 – 1901);
John Henry Clements  (1901 – 1902);
Mary Ann White  (1902 – 1903);
John Doughty  (1903 – 1924):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Abraham Lunn, beer retailer, 84, Oxford Street.  [1868]

Joseph Taylor was married to Eleanor.
He died on 20th March 1884.
She died on 18th August 1884.

John Griffiths died on 18th June 1891.

Amy Pearson married John Fellows on 30th January 1892.

Amy Fellows, beer retailer, Oxford Street.  [1896]
1901 Census
84, Oxford Street – Public House
[1] Thomas Dunn (43), public house manager, born Walsall;
[3] Agnes Dunn (12), daughter, born Walsall;
[4] Thomas Christopher Dunn (6), son, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Peter Dunn (5), son, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Florence May Dunn (2), daughter, born Walsall:

Thomas Dunn – check also HARP, Wolverhampton.

John Doughty, beer retailer, 84, Oxford Street. [1904], [1912]

1911 Census
84, Oxford Street
[2] Elizabeth Doughty (52), wife, married 32 years, born Bilston;
[3] Agnes May Doughty (14), cousin, adopted, school, born Blackpool:

License refused by Compensation Authority on 28th July 1924.
Compensation of £1,400 was paid on 24th December 1924.
License extinguished on 31st December 1924.
NEW INN

9, Twenty House Row, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Barnbrook [1881]

NOTES

1881 Census

9, Twenty House Row – NEW INN

[1] Thomas Barnbrook (59), innkeeper, born Worcestershire;
[2] Sarah Barnbrook (56), wife, born Tipton;
[3] James Barnbrook (21), son, labourer in iron works, born Sedgley;
[4] Thomas Barnbrook (18), son, labourer in iron works, born Sedgley;
[6] Emma Pound (19), niece, domestic servant, born Tenbury, Shropshire:
NEW INN
Lower Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Joseph Pritchards   [1873]

NOTES
Joseph Pritchards was also a hay and straw dealer.   [1873]
NOAHS ARK

1, Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ann Payton, widow, Wolverhampton Road, Bilston
Joseph Parker
John Summerfield
Frank Myatt Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Lee  [1828] – [1830]
Sophia Morris  [1833] – [1835]
William Fellows  [1845] – [1851]
Thomas Parker  [1858] – [1861]
Edward Clarke  [1864] – [1871]
Richard Clarke  [1873] – 1881);
Joseph Parker  (1881 – 1890);
Barzillai Lambert  (1890 – 1891);
Alfred Folkes  (1891 – 1920);
Joseph Parker  (1920);
John Summerfield  (1920 – 1923);
Horace Philip Bassett  (1923 – 1925);
William Large  (1925 – 1926);
John Johnson  (1926 – 1927);
Samuel Higgins  (1927 – 1929);
Francis James Winmill  (1929 – 1931);
Harold Draisey  (1931 – 1933);
William Frederick Pugh  (1933 – 1938);
Thomas Rowson  (1938 – 1940)

NOTES

Thomas Lee = Thomas Lea

1861 Census

Wolverhampton Street – NOAHS ARK
[1] Thomas Parker (44), widower, publican, born Ireland;
[2] Sarah Parker (15), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[3] Alfred Parker (11), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Harriett Johnson (25), servant, born Brewood, Staffordshire:
1871 Census
1, Wolverhampton Street – NOAHS ARK
[1] Edward Clarke (51), publican employing 3 men, born Coalbrookdale, Shropshire;
[2] Caroline Clarke (49), wife, born Astley Abbotts, Shropshire;
[3] Caroline Clarke (14), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Terry Wigan (70), general servant, born Kingswinford;
[6] Caroline Rushton (12), general servant, born Heath Town;
[7] Harriet Wright (19), general servant, born New Village, Bilston:
[Astley Abbotts is about 2 miles N of Bridgnorth.]

1881 Census
1, Wolverhampton Street – NOAHS ARK
[1] Joseph Parker (35), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Selinah Parker (39), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Minnie Parker (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Catherine Parker (14), domestic servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
1, Wolverhampton Street – NOAHS ARK
[2] Sarah Lambert (46), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Elizabeth Lambert (16), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Susan Lambert (14), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Zeo. Lambert (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Alfred Lambert (3), son, scholar, born Bilston:

1901 Census
1, Wolverhampton Street
[1] Alfred Folkes (46), licensed victualler, born Winchcombe, Gloucestershire;
[2] Amelia Folkes (42), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Rhoda Folkes (18), daughter, boot machinist, born Bilston;
[6] Herbert Folkes (15), son, packer in Japanner ware works, born Bilston;
[7] Frank Folkes (12), son, born Bilston;
[8] Frederick Folkes (11), son, born Bilston;
[9] George Folkes (9), son, born Bilston;
[10] Alice Folkes (5), daughter, born Bilston:

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]

Closed
Demolished
OAK AND IVY

22, (28), (173), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Frances Payton, widow, High Street, Bilston
John Poulton, chartermaster, 10, Railway Street, Bilston
Emily Lashford, 119 St Annes Road, Willenhall
Truman, Hanbury, Buxton and Co. Ltd.
Courage Ltd.

LICENSEES

James King [1861] – 1879;
Richard Smith [1879 – 1883];
Lydia Smith [1883 – 1884];
William Woolley [1884 – 1891];
Thomas Tranter [1891 – 1892];
George Burrows [1892 – 1898];
John Poulton [1898 – 1911];
Rebecca Poulton [1911 – 1912];
Henry Flavell [1912 – 1916];
Charles Hall Leadbetter [1916];
Alfred Hugh Thomas [1916 – 1923];
Jane (McGrail) Betts [1923 – 1931];
Howard Fullwood [1931 – 1935];
Harry Robbins [1935 – 1936];
Leslie Norman Westley [1936 – 1937];
Samuel Brindley [1937 – 1940]
K Hoyle [1976]
J Pilkington [1983]
Donna Fleetwood [2005]

NOTES

173, Oxford Street [1881], [1891]
28, Oxford Street [1904], [1912], [1916], [1921]
22, Oxford Street [1997], [1998], [2001]

It had a beerhouse license.

It was locally listed.

1861 Census

173, Oxford Street – OAK AND IVY
[1] James King (51), coal miner and victualler, born Winchester;
[3] Sarah King (12), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah Claton (17), general servant, born Bilston;
[5] Elizabeth King (92), visitor, widow, farm labourer, born Ashby de la Zouch:
James King, beer retailer, 173, Oxford Street. [1865], [1868]
He died on 30th March 1879.

1881 Census
173, Oxford Street
[1] Richard Smith (49), beerhouse keeper, born Tamworth;
[2] Lydia Smith (47), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Elizabeth Smith (21), daughter, potmaker in pottery works, born Bilston;
[5] Alice Clara Smith (14), daughter, dressmaker, born Bilston;
[6] Hannah Louisa Smith (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Esther Jones (67), wife’s mother, born Sedgley:

Richard Smith died on 15th February 1883.

1891 Census
173, Oxford Street – OAK AND IVY
[1] Thomas Tranter (31), iron worker, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Louisa Tranter (30), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[3] William Tranter (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[6] Mariah Doughty (18), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

George Burrows, beer retailer, 173, Oxford Street. [1896]

1901 Census
28, Oxford Street
[1] John Poulton (59), widower, Royalty Coalmaster and Beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah A. Poulton (26), daughter, barmaid to above, born Bilston;
[3] Rebecca Poulton (23), daughter, barmaid to above, born Bilston;
[4] William Poulton (23), son, caster labourer, born Bilston:

John Poulton, beer retailer, 28, Oxford Street. [1904]

Henry Flavell, beer retailer, 28, Oxford Street. [1912]

Alfred H. Thomas, beer retailer, 28, Oxford Street. [1921]

Jane McGrail married Abraham Betts on 5th August 1925.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A. [1946]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 18/5/1946
“It was reported that a successful season had just ended, when cups and prizes won by players in the Bilston Charity Darts League were distributed at the OAK AND IVY, Oxford Street, Bilston, on Tuesday night by the Mayor (Councillor C. H. Green)…..”

[2012]
ODYSSSEY

Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Hunter  [1986]
Kevin Lockley  [1991]

NOTES

It was built c. 1972.

[1976]

It closed in December 1999.

It was demolished in November 2000.
OLD BALL

Green Croft, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Morris  [1818]
OLD BARLEY MOW
Wolverhampton Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
William Bratt Adderley [1842]
Thomas Yarsley [1854]
OLD BOARS HEAD

88, (72), Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Theophilus Morrell, auctioneer, Church Street, Bilston
Mrs. Maria Rogers
Manchester Brewery Co. Ltd.
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler & Co. Ltd. [1946]

LICENSEES

Joseph Lawrence [1861]
John Thomas Hunt [1871] – [1874];
Sidney Wright [ ];
John Whitehead [ ];
W J Bould [1878];
Thomas Barnes [1879];
Mark Taylor [ ] – 1882);
William Vann (1882 - [ ];
Frederick Evans [ ];
John Harriman [ ];
William Alfred Johnson [ ];
Charles Freeman [ ];
Alfred Walters [ ];
Thomas Finney [1891] – [1892];
John Jones [ ];
Peter Lewis [1896];
Harry Meredith [ ];
John Lee Newton [1898] – 18__.);
Thomas Hooper (18__ – 1899);
Frank Hare (1899 – 1900);
Thomas Lee (1900 – 1902);
Alfred Edwards (1902 – 1904);
Joseph Hankins Mutilow (1904);
Thomas Hooper Todd [1904] ?
Major George Cox (1904 – 1907);
Richard Andrew Harper (1907 – 1908);
Richard John Larking (1908);
Job Lawley (1908 – 1909);
Benjamin Oldfield (1909 – 1910);
Herbert Rutland Meatyard (1910 – 1911);
Robert Woolley (1911 – 1912);
Frederick Robinson (1912 – 1913);
Charles Lewis Caldicott (1913);
John Davis (1913 – 1920);
Archibald James Wilson (1920 – 1925);
William Lote (1925 – 1926);
NOTES

72, Church Street [1871], [1873], [1874], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1904]  
88, Church Street [1901], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1940]  

BOARS HEAD [1873], [1878], [1901]  
OLD BOARS HEAD [1872], [1896], [1904], [1912], [1916]

1871 Census  
72, Church Street  
1 John Thomas Hunt (30), publican, born Macclesfield;  
2 Betsey Maria Hunt (28), wife, born Hanley, Staffordshire;  
3 Lizzie Maud Esther Hunt (6), daughter, scholar, born Stockport;  
4 Charlotte Deleinan (16), general domestic servant, born Bilston:  

John Thomas Hunt was also a wine and spirit merchant. [1873]

Sidney Wright was convicted of allowing intoxicating liquor to be consumed during prohibited hours.

Midland Counties Evening Express 4/1/1878  
“Last night the last quarterly meeting of the committee of the Wolverhampton and District Licensed Victuallers’ Society previous to the annual meeting of the trade was held at Mr. W. J. Bould’s BOARS HEAD INN, Bilston. Mr. Duncan Smith, vice president of the society presided…..”

1891 Census  
72, Church Street  
1 Thomas Finney (34), public house manager, born Golds Green;  
2 Eliza Finney (33), wife, born Dudley;  
3 Thomas F. Finney (11), son, scholar, born Golds Green;  
4 William Finney (9), son, scholar, born Golds Green;  
5 Frances E. Finney (7), daughter, scholar, born Birmingham;  
6 Elizabeth Finney (3), daughter, born Hill Top;  
7 Samuel Finney (75), father, retired cowkeeper, born Anstey, Leicestershire:

John Lee Newton was convicted on 16th February 1898, for permitting drunkenness.

1901 Census  
88, Church Street – BOARS HEAD INN  
1 Thomas Lee (46), licensed victualler’s manager, born Coddington, Nottinghamshire;  
2 Sarah J. Lee (47), wife, born Leicester;  
3 Elsie Lee (17), daughter, milliner, born Leicester;  
4 Madge Lee (9), daughter, born Leicester:

1911 Census  
88, Church Street – BOARS HEAD  
1 Herbert Rutland Meatyard (46), licensed victualler, born Camberwell, Surrey;  
2 Elizabeth Meatyard (47), wife, married 26 years, assisting in the business, born Munlochy, Rossshire;  
3 Clara Knott (22), barmaid, born Lye;  
4 Esther Easthope (20), general servant, born Bilston:
A music license was granted on 3rd February 1928.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B.  [1946]

**Bilston and Willenhall Times 4/5/1946**

“The wedding took place at Holy Trinity Church, Bilston, on Saturday of Mr. John Hillman, at present serving with the RAF, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hillman, Windsor Road, Parkfield, Wolverhampton, and Miss Beatrice Humpage, youngest daughter of Mrs. Edwards and the late Mr. A. Humpage, of the OLD BOARS HEAD, Church Street, Bilston…..”

Closed
It was demolished in the late 1960’s.

Check BOARS HEAD
OLD BUSH

15, (38), (23), Cross Street (Tup Lane), Bradley Bridge, (Bradley Lane), (Upper Bradley) Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Peter Price, engineer, 2, Hall Street, Bradley
Henry Wilkes
George Thompson, brewer, Dudley
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1912]

LICENSEES

John Jeavon [1828] – [1830]
John Martin [1834] – [1842]
Joshua Townsend [1845]
Joseph Townsend [1850] – [1854]
James Griffiths [1861] – [1870]
Luke Bird (188_ – 1891);
Ann Bird (1891 – 189_);
Mrs. Betsy Jeavons (189_ – 1912);
William George (1912 – 1914);
Edward Williams (1914 – 1915);
Alfred Jeavons (1915 – 1916);
Arthur Edward George (1916 – 1921);
Richard Fred Coxon (1921);
James Brent (1921 – 1922);
William Edward George (1922 – 1925);
Clara Holland (1925 – 1933);
Wilfred Taylor Noon (1933 – 1934);
Frank Frederick Holmes (1934 – 1936);
James Jeavons (1936 – [1940]
Albert Matthews [ ]
Dennis Jones [ ]
Valerie Hayward [2005]
Ricky Hunt [ ] – 2008

NOTES

Tup Lane [1851]
Bradley Bridge [1865], [1896]
38, Cross Street [1861], [1871], [1881], [1891]
23, Cross Street
15, Cross Street [2001], [2002], [2005]

BUSH [1828], [1830], [1834], [1835], [1841], [1842], [1891], [1940]
OLD BUSH [1865], [1871], [1881], [1896], [1916]
1851 Census
Tup Lane
[1] Joseph Townsend (40), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[5] Rebecca Dunn (23), house servant, born Bilston:

1861 Census
38, Cross Street
[1] James Griffiths (44), victualler, born Bilston;
[6] Henry Griffiths (11), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Alfred Griffiths (7), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Jane Peace (18), general servant, born Bilston:

1871 Census
38, Cross Street – OLD BUSH INN
[1] Henry Wilkes (43), publican, born Broseley, Shropshire;
[3] Amy Wilkes (14), daughter, born Quatford, Shropshire;
[4] Polly Nickless (20), visitor, key maker, born Bridgnorth;
[5] Sophia Haden (16), general servant, born Dudley Port;
[6] Maria Pugh (20), boarder, no occupation (farmer’s daughter), born Bridgnorth:
[Broseley id part of Telford.]
[Quatford is about 2 miles SE of Bridgnorth.]

Dudley Herald 27/9/1873
“To be sold by auction. All that old licensed public house and premises known by the sign of the BUSH INN situate at Bradley’s Bridge, Bradley near Bilston, comprising tap room, bar, parlour, club room, three bedrooms, storeroom, two cellars, two stables, large brewhouse, maltroom, piggeries and other outbuildings, now in the occupation of Mr. Henry Wilkes at yearly rent of £30 per annum.”

1881 Census
38, Cross Street – OLD BUSH
[2] Harriet Wilkes (64), wife, born Sedgley;
[4] Phoebe Hill (23), domestic servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
38, Cross Street – The BUSH
[2] Mary A. Bird (35), wife, born Sedgley;
[4] Alice Bird (14), daughter, born Sedgley;
[6] Emily Bird (10), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] John Bird (8), son, born Bilston:
Luke Bird – see also GEORGE AND DRAGON

Luke Bird died on 28th July 1891.

1901 Census
Cross Street
[1] Thomas Jaevons (57), living on own means, born Sedgley;
[2] Betsey Jeavons (51), wife, licensed victualler, born Sedgley:

Tipton Herald 9/5/1903
“…..Betsy Jeavons, landlady of the BUSH INN, Cross Street, Bradley, was charged with selling intoxicating liquor
to a drunken person, and also with permitting drunkenness on her licensed premises on the 13th April.
Mr. A. Turton prosecuted on behalf of the police authorities and Mr. R. A. Willcock defended.
Mr. Turton said it was only proposed to proceed with the case of permitting drunkenness. It appeared that at six
o’clock on the 13th ult Police-constable Patrick and another officer visited the house and found a man named Henry
Nock, sitting with a number of others, in a very drunken condition. It was ascertained he had been there since one
o’clock, and when the officer asked how much drink had been served him the man himself shouted out, ‘Fourteen
pints, but what the ____ has it got to do with you.’ The defendant had kept the house for thirty years, and had
previously given satisfaction to the authorities.
Police-constable Patrick and Police-sergeant Gibbs gave evidence proving the charge.
Mr. Willcock urged that defendant had not remained in the tap room during the whole of the afternoon, and that Nock
procured most of his drink from friends who had come to visit him from Wales.
The magistrates, after retiring for a few minutes fined defendant £5 and £3 18s 6d costs.
Mrs. Jeavons was then charged with selling intoxicating liquor to a girl under the age of fourteen years in an unsealed
vessel.
Police-sergeant Gibbs deposed that on the 28th ult he saw a girl named Bertha Mole, aged ten years, come out of the
defendant’s house with a bottle containing beer, the cork of which was not sealed.
In cross-examination by Mr. Willcock, who defended, witness admitted there was sealing wax both on the cork and
bottle, but it was not attached.
The Bench gave defendant the benefit of the doubt in this case.”

William Edward George was fined £3, on 1st May 1915, for aiding and abetting consumption of beer
except during permitted hours.

Maud Fellows, a barmaid here, was badly injured when a bomb, dropped by a Zeppelin, on 31st
January 1916, exploded. She died later in the pub.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League. [1946]

Albert Matthews was married to Ethel.
See also HOP POLE and ROCKET POOLS

Dennis Jones was married to Pat.
He died on 13th August 2008, aged 88.
See also DOG AND PARTRIDGE, FORGE HAMMER, and ROCKET POOLS.

[2012]
OLD BUSH

Ettingshall Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Pool [1833]
OLD BUSH

22, (50), Ward Street, (Gibbet Lane), Priestfield, (New Village), (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

Messrs. Pritchard and Shelton, solicitors, Wolverhampton
Elijah Price, licensed victualler, Bilston
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Fellows  [1834] – [1851]
James Leadbetter  [1858] – [1861]
George Farley  [1864] – [1865]
William Fellows  [1868] – [1870]
Thomas Coleclough  [1871] – [1872]
George Golding  [1873] – [1874];
Urban Bates  (1874 – 1875);
Richard Holmes  (1875 – 1878);
Elizabeth Holmes  (1878);
Samuel Cutler Holmes  (1878 – 1879);
Benjamin Wilkinson  (1879 – 1880);
Thomas Maddock  (1880 – 1881);
Joseph Fieldhouse  (1881 – 1882);
Benjamin Samuel Blower  (1882 – 1884);
William Phillips  (1884 – 1888);
Samuel Henry Tilsley  (1888 – 1891);
George Henry Turley  (1891 – 1892);
John Barratt  (1892 – 1893);
Arthur Smith  (1893 – 1895);
James Collins  (1895 – 1901);
John Collins  (1901 – 1904);
Ada Elizabeth Nannery  (1904 – 1905);
Harry Weare  (1905 – 1907);
Henry Hendley  (1907 – 1908);
Edward Davies  (1908 – 1910);
John Davies  (1910 – 1913);
William Poole  (1913 – 1917);
James Collins  (1917 – 1925);
Francis William Brooks  (1925 – 1926);
Arthur Sambrook Clift  (1926 – 1930);
Matthew William Dangerfield  (1930 – 1931);
Maria Atkiss  (1931 – 1933);
William Robert Nicholls  (1933 – 1937);
John Albert Howard  (1937 – 1938);
Leonard Hillman  (1938 – 1939);
G Paskin*  [2005]
Gwendoline Paskin*  [2007]
NOTES

Gibbet Lane [1835], [1851], [1873]
Ward Street, New Village [1858], [1868]
50, Ward Street
22, Ward Street [1871], [1881]

BUSH [1861]
OLD BUSH [1858], [1912]

William Fellows was also a coal master. [1851]

An inquest was held here in 1868.

1871 Census
22, Ward Street – OLD BUSH
[1] Thomas Coleclough (29), publican and boat builder, born Kidsgrove, Staffordshire;
[5] Emma Richardson (23), visitor, born Branston, Northamptonshire;
[6] Martha Buckley (18), general servant, born Wolverhampton;
[7] James Edwards (24), boarder, blacksmith’s striker, born Dudley Port:

Richard Holmes died in 1878.

Thomas Maddock = Thomas Maddocks

1881 Census
22, Ward Street – public house
[1] Thomas Maddocks (56), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Sarah H. Maddocks (39), wife, born Ryde, Isle of Wight;
[4] Philip A. Maddocks (17), son, apprentice to factor, born New Village;
[5] Clara Maddocks (15), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[6] George A. Maddocks (14), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Agnes Maddocks (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[10] Thomas Maddocks (1), son, born New Village;

Benjamin Samuel Blower was also a file and rasp manufacturer. [1884]

1891 Census
22, Ward Street
[1] Samuel Henry Tilsley (37), ironworker and publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Ann Tilsley (32), wife, born Tewkesbury;
[3] Samuel Tilsley (10), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah Jane Tilsley (9), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
[5] Mary Ann Tilsley (7), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
[8] Florence Tilsley (1), daughter, born Bilston:
1911 Census
Ward Street, Priestfield
[1] John Davies (26), gas minder and publican, born Bilston;
[3] Florence Simms (18), servant, born Bilston:

William Poole was fined £20 and costs for permitting consumption on the premises after 9pm, contravening the Defence of the Realm Act.

* probably the same person

[2010]
Closed  [2011], [2012]
OLD BUSH

70, (102), Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mrs. Buckley
Fred Charles Perry, gentleman, Dunston
Henry Clarke, rent collector / licensed victualler, BOAT INN, Ettingshall
Herbert Marchant, excise officer, Priestfield, Bilston
Thomas Legge, beerhouse keeper, Moore Street
Benjamin Legge
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Job Hickman  [1818] – [1830]
Thomas Hickman  [1833] – [1842]
James Akers  [1849] – [1851]
Miss Jane Sharry  [1858] – 1878);
Alfred Akers  (1878 – 1888);
Joseph Hunt  (1888 – 1889);
Mrs. Ann Hunt  (1889 – 1891);
Benjamin Legge  (1891 – 1897);
Richard Jones  (1897 – 1910);
Matthew Sidaway  (1910 – 1915);
Joseph Hill  (1915 – 1919);
Caroline Hill  (1919 – 1920);
Charles Albert Cole  (1920 – 1927);
Horace Edwin Price  (1927 – 1932);
Joseph Ernest Marriott  (1932 – 1940)

NOTES

BUSH  [1822], [1851], [1874]
OLD BUSH  [1835], [1871], [1912], [1916]

102, Wolverhampton Street  [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1873], [1874], [1881],
[1884], [1892], [1896]
70, Wolverhampton Street  [1904], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1940]

1851 Census

Wolverhampton Street
[1] James Akers (56), licensed victualler, born Burton, Staffordshire;
[2] Mary Ann Akers (41), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Harriet Sherry (26), house servant, born Wolverhampton;
[6] James Silvester (42), lodger, book keeper, born Bilston:
Jane Sharry = Jane Starry = Jane Sherry

1861 Census
102, Wolverhampton Street
[1] Jane Sherry (40), unmarried, innkeeper (beershop), born Wolverhampton;
[2] Harriet Sherry (35), sister, house servant, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Alfred Akers (21), nephew, pattern maker, born Bilston:

1871 Census
102, Wolverhampton Street – OLD BUSH
[1] Jane Sharry (55), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Alfred Ackers (31), nephew, journeyman pattern maker, born Bilston:

1881 Census
102, Wolverhampton Street – OLD BUSH INN
[1] Alfred Akers (41), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[5] Harriet Sherry (55), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

Joseph Hunt died on 10th September 1889.

Benjamin Legge = Benjamin Legg

1901 Census
70, Wolverhampton Street
[1] Richard Jones (64), licensed victualler, born Broseley, Shropshire;
[3] Elizabeth Elwell (10), niece, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Norwood (20), domestic servant, born Lane Head:

A music license was granted on 6th February 1925.

Closed
OLD CROWN
Bridge Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Samuel Brawn  [1818]
Thomas Fellows  [1822]
Thomas Fowler  [1828] – [1835]
Mrs. Ann Fowler  [1845] – [1850]
Thomas Fowler  [1851]
Rebecca Fowler  [1858]

NOTES

CROWN  [1822], [1828], [1830], [1871]

1871 Census
Bridge Street – CROWN INN - Unoccupied
OLD CROWN

Crown Street / Parliament Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Maybury  [1818] – [1834]
Thomas Hazeldine  [1835]
Thomas Tomkinson  [1841] – [1842]
Thomas Salt  [1845] – [1854]
E Salt  [1858]

NOTES

Parliament Street  [1850]
Crown Street  [1822], [1858]

CROWN  [1822], [1834], [1835]
OLD CROWN  [1854], [1858]
OLD CROWN

12, Wootton Square, (Hall Street), Bradley, Bilston

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Walters  [1864] – [1865]
Benjamin Fellows  [1868] – [1871]

NOTES

Hall Street  [1864], [1870]
12, Wootton Square  [1871]

John Walters was also a grocer.  [1864], [1865]

Benjamin Fellows = Benjamin Fellowes

1871 Census

12, Wootton’s Square – OLD CROWN
[1] Benjamin Fellows (41), licensed victualler, born Tettenhall;
[2] Catherine Agnes Fellows (42), wife, born Pelsal (sic);
[4] Rebecca Jane Fellows (15), daughter, born Brierley Hill;
[5] Catherine Agnes Fellows (14), daughter, born Brierley Hill;
[6] Florence Fellows (7), daughter, born Brierley Hill:
OLD CROWN AND ANCHOR

Coseley Street, (Coseley Row), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEESE

Thomas Hall [1818] – [1822]
John Hall [1828] – [1830]
Mary Turner [1833] – [1835]
James Abbott [1845]
William Vaughan [1849] – [1850]
Thomas Henshaw [1851] – [1854]
W Williams [1858]

NOTES

Coseley Row [1822], [1828]

CROWN AND ANCHOR [1822], [1830], [1849], [1850]
CROW AND ACORN [1833] [Typographical error?]
OLD CROWN AND ANCHOR [1845], [1858]

It had a beerhouse license.

Mary Turner, retailer of beer, Coseley Street. [1835]
OLD HOUSE AT HOME
Greencroft, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES
Closed
Demolished
OLD HOUSE AT HOME

16, (102), (101+102), Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Jones
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Sarah Beckell [1861]
Mrs. Sarah Jones [1871]
Thomas Jones [1873 – 1899];
Henry Cox (1899 – 1909):

NOTES

101+102, Temple Street [1861], [1871], [1881]
102, Temple Street [1891]
16, Temple Street [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
101+102, Temple Street
[1] Sarah Beckell (35), widow, publican, born Darlaston;
[2] Fanny Beckell (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Harriet Hyde (17), housemaid, born Bilston:

1871 Census
101+102, Temple Street – OLD HOUSE AT HOME INN
[1] Thomas Jones (40), stocktaker in iron works, born Shropshire;
[2] Sarah Jones (43), wife, beerhouse keeper, born Darlaston;
[5] Sarah Jones (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Fanny Beckitt (18), stepdaughter, works in tin factory, born Bilston;
[7] Elizabeth Beckitt (16), stepdaughter, general servant, born Bilston;
[8] Jane Beckitt (13), stepdaughter, scholar, born Bilston:

1881 Census
101 and 102, Temple Street – OLD HOUSE AT HOME
[1] Thomas Jones (49), publican, born Welsh Hampton, Shropshire;
[2] Sarah Jones (52), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah Jones (17), daughter, servant, born Bilston;
[6] James Corbett (50), lodger, baker, born Snowshill, Gloucestershire:
1891 Census
192, Temple Street – OLD HOUSE AT HOME
[1] Thomas Jones (57), publican, born Welsh Hampton, Shropshire;
[2] Sarah Jones (61), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Martha Jones (22), daughter, barmaid, born Bilston;
[4] Joseph Welch (30), boarder, mill furnaceman, born Ireland:

Thomas Jones, beer retailer, 102, Temple Street. [1896]

1901 Census
16, Temple Street
[1] Henry Cox (48), iron moulder and publican, born Bilston;
[2] Drucilla Cox (45), wife, born Tettenhall;
[3] Clara Cox (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[4] Florence M. Cox (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[5] Drucilla B. Cox (9), daughter, born Tipton;
[6] Ethel K. Cox (6), daughter, born Tipton;
[7] Harry Fennah (38), boarder, iron moulder, born Smethwick:

Henry Cox, beer retailer, 16, Temple Street. [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 11th June 1909. Compensation of £350 was paid on 4th December 1909.
OLD MALT SHOVEL

40, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Benjamin Goodreid  [1834]
Joseph Butler     [1873] – [1874]
OLD MERMAID

33, (18), (17+18), Salop Street, (Shropshire Row), Bradley, (Highfields), (Hallfields), BILSTON

OWNERS

William Hazledine, butcher, Shropshire Row
James Rawson, Crewe
Messrs. Humby, brewers, Stafford
Eley, Nesbitt and Co., brewers, Stafford
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Hazeldine [1818]
Richard Hall [1828] – [1835]
William Hazeldine [1845] – [1865]
Job Dolphin [1868] – 1876;
Samuel Hazeldine (1876 – 1879);
John Anslow (?) (1879 – 1881);
Jacob Tate (?) (1881);
Alfred Ray (?) (1881 – 1888);
William Edwin Cole (1888 – 1890);
Annie Walmsley (?) (1890 – 1891);
Thomas Shinton (1891 – 1921);
Thomas Davies (1921 – [1938]

NOTES

Shropshire Row [1828], [1830], [1850]
Salop Street [1865], [1868]
18, Salop Street [1891]
17+18, Salop Street [1901]
33, Salop Street [1912]

MERMAID [1818], [1828], [1830], [1850], [1868], [1873], [1875], [1901], [1946]
YE OLD MERMAID [1891]
OLD MERMAID [1904], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

William Hazeldine was also a butcher. [1818]

Richard Hall, retailer of beer, Highfields. [1835]

William Hazeldine was also a butcher. [1845], [1849], [1850], [1851], [1854]
1871 Census
Salop Street
[1] Job Dolphin (37), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[3] Esther Dolphin (13), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Richard H. Dolphin (3 months), son, born Bilston;
[7] Sarah Nicholls (18), servant, born Bilston:

Midland Counties Evening Express 10/2/1875
“John (sic) Dolphin, of the MERMAID, Bilston, was summoned by Police-constable Eden for permitting drunkenness in his house. - Mr. Barrow appeared for the defence. - Mr. Spooner, after hearing the evidence, said he thought the constable had failed to prove his case, and the summons was dismissed.”

1891 Census
18, Salop Street – YE OLD MERMAID INN
[1] Thomas Shinton (37), licensed victualler, born Daisy Bank;
[4] May Shinton (6), daughter, scholar, born Daisy Bank;
[6] Lilley Shinton (2), daughter, born Daisy Bank;
[7] Edith Collidge (13), domestic servant, born Birmingham:

Thomas Shinton, beer retailer, 18, Salop Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
17+18, Salop Street – MERMAID INN
[1] Thomas Shinton (47), licensed victualler, born Bradley;
[3] Nellie Shinton (18), daughter, born Bradley;
[6] Lily Shinton (11), daughter, born Bradley;
[7] Sidney Shinton (6), son, born Bradley;
[8] Elizabeth Caddick (16), general servant, born Bradley:

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division.  [1946]
OLD ROUND OF BEEF

35, (17), High Street / Workhouse Fold, BILSTON

OWNERS

Sarah Hanson, widow, Broad Street, Bradley, Bilston
Thomas Cross, maltster, Bilston
James Cresswell, accountant clerk, Wolverhampton
William Northwood Reeves, eating house keeper, High Street, Bilston
Wordsley Brewery Co. Ltd.
Plant’s Brewery Ltd., Netherton
Hereford and Tredegar Brewery Ltd.
Plant’s Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Enoch Meadows [ ] – 1873);
Alfred Lambden (1873 – 1875);
William Northwood Reeves (1875 – 1897);
Job Wilkes (1897 – 1898);
Alfred Martin (1898 – 1899);
John Richards (1899 – 1905);
Louis Skelding (1905);
George Cox (1905 – 1906);
William John Baker (1906 – 1907);
Horace John Elwell (1907 – 1908);
John Biggs (1908);
Edith Biggs (1908 – 1913);
Charles Smith (1913):

NOTES

17, High Street [1891]
35, High Street [1901]
It had a beerhouse license.

1891 Census
17, High Street OLD ROUND OF BEEF
[1] William N. Reeves (49), refreshment house keeper, born Bilston;
[2] Mary A, Reeves (55), wife, born Ocker Hill;
[3] Jane Ann Perry (22), niece, born Bilston:

William Northwood Reeves, beer retailer, 17, High Street. [1896]
1901 Census
35, High Street
[3] Lucy Richards (26), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Lilly Richards (20), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Mary Richards (17), daughter, born Bilston:

A wine license was granted in 1903.

Edith Biggs was fined £3 and costs, on 30th July 1912, for permitting drunkenness.

License refused by Compensation Authority on 24th July 1913.
Compensation of £300 was paid on 24th December 1913.
License extinguished on 31st December 1913.

The building became dining rooms.
It was later [1986] occupied by Heath’s grocers.
OLDE SHOPPE

John Street, Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1946]

LICENSEES

Godfrey [1930’s]
Arthur Latham [ ]
J Archer [ ]

NOTES

It was also known as the JOHN STREET BEERHOUSE.

It was William Butler’s first pub.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Closed
Demolished
OLDE WHITE ROSE

20, Lichfield Street, (20, (102), Church Street), (Swan Bank), BILSTON

OWNERS

Elijah Price
Henry Plant and Son  [1896]
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1904]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Enterprise Inns
John Denston   (acquired in 1997)

LICENSEES

George Banks  [1818]
Sarah Banks  [1828]
Sarah Baker  [1830]
Joseph Best   [1834] – [1835]
Hollyman    [1841] – [1842]
Elijah Price*   [1865] – [1873]
Elijah Price*   [1893];
Frederick William Plant  (1893 – 1906);
Albert Simpson    [1901] ?
John Docker  (1906 – 1909);
George Wilcox  (1909 – 1919);
Charles James Webb  (1919 – 1929);
Mrs. Mary Ann Webb  (1929 – [1940]

NOTES

Church Street  [1818], [1828], [1830], [1834], [1841], [1842], [1904]
102, Church Street  [1873], [1892]
20, Church Street  [1901], [1916], [1940]
20, Lichfield Street   [1994], [1998], [2001], [2003], [2005]

ROSE  [1818], [1834], [1835], [1841], [1842]
OLD ROSE  [1828], [1830]
WHITE ROSE  [1904]

It was a coaching inn.  [1834]
Coach office  [1835]

* possibly father and son / the same person
Elijah Price, wine and spirit vaults, 102, Church Street.  [1865]

1891 Census
102, Church Street
[1] Elijah Price (39), spirit merchant, born Bilston;
[3] Harold Price (10), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Mary Cartmale (32), barmaid, born Lichfield;
[6] Martha Weaver (20), general servant, born Montgomery;

Elijah Price was also a maltster and hop merchant of Oxford Street, Bilston.

Wolverhampton Chronicle 27/9/1899
“Wanted – a good general servant…..”

1901 Census
20, Church Street – WHITE ROSE
[1] Albert Simpson (40), licensed victualler, born Portsmouth;
[3] Annie Griffiths (18), general servant, born Bilston:

Serious structural defects meant the pub required a complete rebuild in 1958.

[1986]
Closed  [1997]
It reopened in December 1997 as THE OLDE WHITE ROSE.

John Denston was born in Wednesbury.  
He was brought up in Cheltenham.  
He was married to Clare.

Wolverhampton CAMRA Pub of the Year 1999.
Bierkeller opened in 2002.
It was refurbished in 2010.

[2012]
ORANGE TREE

32, (19), Ward Street, (Ettingshall), Priestfield, BILSTON

OWNERS

Edward Powers, licensed victualler, Upper Penn
Frank Myatt Ltd.
Eley’s Stafford Brewer Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1946]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Black Country Traditional Inns

LICENSEES

Mary Ann Sower  [1861]
George ?  [1873] – [1875];
Alfred Caswell  (1875 – 1884);
Matthew Rhodes  (1884 – 1890);
Adam Bailey  (1890 – 1891);
James Parkes  (1891 – 1895);
Charles Fernihough  (1895 – 1902);
Benjamin Biggs  (1902 – 1903);
Joseph Edward Chatterton  (1903);
Ernest Harold Rhodes  (1903 – 1918);
Annie Rhodes  (1918 – 1926);
William Ball  (1926 – 1931);
Joseph Leadbetter  (1931 – 1934);
Martin Butler  (1934 – [1938]
Neville Taylor  [1991]
Jacqueline Donna Walker  [2005]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It had a pigeon fliers club.

1861 Census
Ward Street – ORANGE TREE

[1] Mary Ann Sower (68), widow, retail brewer, born Bilston;
[3] Catherine Sower (30), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Sower (26), daughter, born Bilston:
**1881 Census**

19, Ward Street – Public house

[1] Alfred Caswell (29), filler (?) and publican, born Bilston;
[2] Joanna Caswell (26), wife, born Priestfield;
[5] Eliza E. Caswell (5 months), daughter, born Priestfield;
[6] Martha Hill (13), domestic servant, born Priestfield:

**1901 Census**

32, Ward Street

[1] Charles Fernihough (41), iron moulder, born Hanley, Staffordshire;

Ernest Rhodes, beer retailer, 32, Ward Street.  [1904]

He was born circa 1882.  He died in 1959.

See also GATE

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League.  [1946]

[2012]
OWNERS

David Riley, contractor, Bilston
Chesters Brewery Co. Ltd., Manchester
North Worcestershire Breweries Ltd.
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. (acquired in 1909)

LICENSEES

Sarah Robinson [1818] – [1822]
Elizabeth Fellows [1828] – [1830]
Joseph Maybury [1833]
Aaron Martin [1834]
Joseph Maybury [1835]
Elizabeth Fellows [1841] – [1842]
Miss Mary Fellows [1845]
Miss Sarah Fellows [1849] – [1851]
J Fellows [1858]
Daniel Parsons [1861]
Joseph Guest [1864] – [1865]
John Mack [1873] – [1876];
David Evan Williams (1876);
Matthew Marston (1876 – 1877);
John Tranter (1877 – 1878);
Charles Matthew Anderson (1878 – 1879);
Frank Finch (1879 – 1880);
Isaac Richardson (1880);
Richard Hall (1880 – 1884);
John Stoker [1881] manager
John Gardner (1884 – 1885);
Richard Hall (1885 – 1889);
John Beebee (1889 – 1890);
Joseph Goodwin (1890 – 1891);
Edward Benjamin Horton (1891 – 1893);
William Turner (1893 – 1894);
Albert Charles Clarke (1894 – 1895);
Edith Hickman (1895 – 1896);
Frank William Ratcliffe (1896 – 1898);
William Henry Edward Dutton (1898);
Alfred Guest (1898 – 1899);
Benjamin Biber (1899);
Bert Evans (1899 – 1900);
Henry Connor (1900 – 1901);
Alfred John Pardoe (1901 – 1902);
Stephen Malkin (1902 – 1903);
Joseph Hankins Mutilow (1903 – 1904);
John Thomas Wilson (1904);
Thomas Marshall (1904 – 1907);
Samuel Cook (1907 – 1908);
Ernest Jones (1908);
John Griffiths (1908 – 1909);
Thomas William Marshall (1909 – 1910);
James Collins (1910 – 1911);
Harry Reynolds (1911):

NOTES

Brook Street [1818]
Oxford Road, Newtown [1828]
36, Oxford Street [1858], [1870], [1871], [1874]
37, Oxford Street [1861], [1864], [1865], [1896], [1901]
26, Oxford Street [1881]
36a, Oxford Street [1891]
83, Oxford Street [1901]

It was originally known as the WATERLOO.
WATERLOO HOUSE [1818], [1858]
WATERLOO INN [1830], [1835], [1868], [1873]

Tokens were issued for ‘WATERLOO MUSIC HALL’.

Wolverhampton Chronicle 7/4/1858
“On Monday last, W. H. Phillips Esq., opened an inquest at the WATERLOO INN, on two men named Michael Conniff and Michael Kelly, who, with George Harrison, a fellow workman, had been killed in a pit at the Fiery Holes Colliery, belonging to Messrs. Fletcher, Rose and Co., on the previous Saturday, by a fall of coal ….. adjourned.”

1861 Census
37, Oxford Street
[1] Daniel Parsons (34), innkeeper, born Netherton;
[3] Mary Bennett (27), housekeeper, born Toll End:

It was described as well-accustomed in January 1868

Dudley Herald 1/2/1868
“For sale ….. all that old established public house and wine and spirit vaults known by the sign of the WATERLOO INN, situate in Oxford Street, Bilston, together with the small shop adjoining thereto, formerly used as a cooper’s shop and also the extensive stabling, shedding, bowling alley, yard and premises at the back of the said public house and adjoining Brook Street. The whole of the said premises occupy a site of 680 square yards ….. The whole premises produce an annual rental of £50.”

1871 Census
36, Oxford Street
[1] John H. Watkiss (30), licensed victualler, born Dawley, Shropshire;
[2] Seraphina Watkiss (30), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Lizzie Watkiss (5), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Kelsall (20), domestic servant, born Bilston:
1881 Census
26, Oxford Street – WATERLOO INN
[1] John Stoker (33), hotel manager, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Louisa L. Stoker (8), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Albert Stoker (6), son, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Elizabeth Hopley (31), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[8] Elizabeth Hill (54), visitor, domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

1891 Census
36a, Oxford Street – WATERLOO INN
[3] Lawrence Goodwin (3), son, born Birmingham;
[4] Olive V. Goodwin (10 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Sarah Marchetti (68), mother in law, widow, living on own means, born Birmingham;
[6] Nellie Green (23), cousin, general servant, born Birmingham;
[7] Frank Green (13), cousin, scholar, born Scarborough;
[8] James Curley (22), boarder, sheet iron worker, born Bilston:

John Henry Watkiss was later at the SHIP AND RAINBOW, Oxford Street.

1901 Census
83, Oxford Street
[1] Henry Connor (36), manager of tavern, born Birmingham;
[2] Ted Connor (20), son, barman, born Birmingham;
[3] Joe Tompson (23), barman, born Darlaston:

The name was changed to the OXFORD circa 1902.

Alfred John Pardoe was convicted on 11th March 1902 for two cases of permitting drunkenness.

Indenture dated 28/10/1909
“All that messuage or dwelling-house public house and premises situate at New Town in Bilston ..... formerly known as The WATERLOO INN and now known as The OXFORD INN. And also the stabling yard gardens and outbuildings adjoining thereto and at the back thereof together with the loft or room erected and now projecting over part of the said yard.....”

The license was refused by the Compensation Authority on 6th July 1911.
Compensation of £500 was paid on 16th December 1911.
The license was extinguished on 23rd December 1911.
PARKFIELD TAVERN

715, Parkfields Road, (18, Parkfield Road), (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Johnson
Elizabeth Johnson
Sarah Johnson
Alice Roper, 716, Parkfields Road
Johnson and Phipps
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Johnson   [1871] – 1887);
Isaac Johnson   (1887 – 1889);
Mrs. Sarah Johnson   (1889 – 1916);
Elizabeth Johnson   (1916);
George Prosser   (1916 – 1936);
John Leonard Jones   (1936 – 1940)

NOTES

18, Parkfield Road   [1871], [1881]
715, Parkfields Road   [1901], [1997]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
18, Parkfield Road – PARKFIELD TAVERN
[1] Thomas Johnson (63), coal miner and licensed victualler, born Shropshire;
[2] Elizabeth Johnson (61), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Mary Smart (24), general servant, born Sedgley:

Thomas Johnson, beer retailer, Parkfields.   [1872]

1881 Census
18, Parkfield Road
[1] Thomas Johnson (73), public house, born Oakengates;
[2] Elizabeth Johnson (71), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Mary Taylor (16), domestic servant, born Sedgley:

Thomas Johnson died on 12th September 1887.

Isaac Johnson was the son of Thomas.
He died on 4th December 1889.
Mrs. Sarah Johnson, beer retailer, Parkfield Road.   [1896]

1901 Census
715, Parkfield Road
[1] Sarah Johnson (58), widow, publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Ben Johnson (27), son, barman, born Sedgley;
[3] Elizabeth Johnson (29), daughter, born Sedgley;
[5] Charles D. Sparrow (26), son in law, commercial clerk, born Shrewsbury;
[6] Thomas Smith (41), boarder, striker hurdle making, born Tipton:

Mrs. Sarah Johnson, beer retailer, 715, Parkfield Road.   [1912]

Sarah Johnson died on 22nd May 1916.

[1997]

Closed
It was converted into shops.
PATCH BOX

Willis Pearson Avenue, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Charles Taylor  [1903]

NOTES

*Charles Taylor was married to Nance.*

It was rebuilt in 1964.

It closed in 1999.
It was demolished in August 2001.
**PHEASANT**

20, (96), (76), (167), Broad Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Thomas Roper, mine agent, Salop Street, Bilston
Millward Brothers, maltsters, Lea Brook, Wednesbury

**LICENSEES**

James Merrick  
**[1865] – 1877**;
Mrs. Mary Merrick  
**[1877] – 1891**;
Mrs. Sarah Harriet (Price) Walker  
**[1891] – 1895**;
Joseph George  
**[1895] – 1897**;
James Elsegood  
**[1897]**;
John Fowler  
**[1897] – 1899**;
Lucy Dunn  
**[1899] – 1900**;
Henry Gould  
**[1900]**;
William Thomas Mallin  
**[1900] – 1902**;
Joseph William Smith  
**[1902] – 1903**;
William Thomas Davies  
**[1903] – 1904**;
Martha (Davies) Maddock  
**[1904] – 1909**;
Frederick John Burton  
**[1909] – 1912**;
Thomas Boul  
**[1912] – 1913**;
Charles Henry Thornley  
**[1913] – 1914**;
Charles Dickenson  
**[1914]**;
Samuel Doughty  
**[1914] – 1915**;
Elijah Pountney  
**[1915] – 1922**;
Frank Ernest Millward  
**[1922]**;

**NOTES**

167, Broad Street  
**[1873]**
76, Broad Street  
**[1881], [1891]**
96, Broad Street
20, Broad Street  
**[1901]**

It had a beerhouse license.

*James Merrick*, beer retailer, Broad Street.  
**[1865], [1868]**
He was married to Mary.
He died in 1877.

**1881 Census**

76, Broad Street – PHEASANT
[1] Mary Merrick (60), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Mary Hartill (39), daughter, born Bilston;
[3] Mary J. Poole (12), granddaughter, born Bilston;
[4] Alice Miller (16), general servant, born Amblecote:
1891 Census
76, Broad Street
[1] Mary Merrick (75), widow, licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Martha Jones (46), daughter, widow, living on her own means, born Bilston;
[3] Mary J. Pool (22), granddaughter, dress maker, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Jones (10), granddaughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
[7] Ellen Williams (21), domestic servant, born Bilston:


Mrs. Sarah Walker, beer retailer, 76, Broad Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
20, Broad Street – Tavern
[2] Frances B. Gould (54), wife, born Oldswinford:

William Thomas Davies, beer retailer, Broad Street.  [1904]
He died on 28th October 1904.

Martha Davies married William Edward Maddock on 11th March 1906.

Elijah Pountney was an ex blacksmith of Bradley.
He murdered his wife, Alice, by cutting her throat on 16th April 1922. He was hung at Winson Green Prison on 11th August 1922.

The license was refused by the Compensation Authority on 20th July 1922.
Compensation of £800 was paid on 23rd December 1922.
License extinguished on 30th December 1922.
**PIPE HALL**

27, Hall Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Edward Pugh, gentleman, Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton
Arthur Charles Kerrison
Peck and Kerrison [1896]
Bent’s Brewery Co. Ltd. [1904], [1916]

**LICENSEES**

John Coulson Bull [ ] – 1873);
Edward Pugh (1873 – 1874);
William Peck (1874 – 1881);
Arthur Charles Kerrison (1881 – [1896];
John Sprawson Iliffe [ ];
Selina Annie Iliffe [ ] – 19__); [1901]
William Henry Matthews [1903] – 1912); manager
William James Vaughan (1912);
Arthur Edward Hewitt (1912 – 1922);
Clothilda Hannah Lenora Hewitt (1922 – 1926);
William Robert Vowles (1926 – 1935);
Florence Ethel Vowles (1935 – 1936);
William Robert Holland (1936);
Edgar John Adey (1936 – [1938]
John McCardle [1940]
Swinder Singh Batth [ ] – 2009)

**NOTES**

It stood close to the railway bridge.

**PIPE HALL VAULTS** [1876], [1950’s]
**PIPE HALL HOTEL** [1896], [1904]

It was formerly a private residence and later a private school.

**Dudley Herald 13/5/1876**

“Eliza Campbell (47) was charged with having stolen the sum of £2 11s 6d from the person of Mary Ann Cross. Whilst the prosecutrix was in the market on Monday she was taken ill, owing to which she adjourned to the PIPE HALL VAULTS and got something to drink. She became worse in the vaults, and the prisoner who was present, kindly volunteered to unloose the prosecutrix’s dress. In doing so she took of a loose pocket in which was a purse containing £2 11s 6d. After extracting the money, prisoner placed the pocket in a basket belonging to the prosecutrix. Soon afterwards Cross missed her purse and charged the prisoner with stealing it. She denied the charge and left the place. Cross followed her and in Church Street after much trouble, prisoner gave up the purse and the money ..... three months hard labour.”

*William Peck died on 20th September 1881.*
1881 Census
Hall Street
[1] Arthur C. Kerrison (41), unmarried, hotel keeper, born East Harling, Norfolk;
[2] Catherine E. Biss (48), manageress, born Birmingham;
[3] Anne Swain (22), assistant, born Tipton;
[7] Florence Armstrong (19), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Peck and Kerrison brewed here. [1888], [1916]

1901 Census
PIPE HALL HOTEL
[1] Selina Annie Iliffe (37), widow, hotel manage, born Welford on Avon, Warwickshire;
[5] Marion Whittingham (24), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Elizabeth Tennant (17), domestic servant, born Bilston;
[7] Nellie Hughes (17), domestic servant, born Walsall:

Arthur Edward Hewitt died in 1922.

A music and dancing license was granted on 6th January 1928.

Bilston and Willenhall Times 10/3/1928
“Bilston Horticultural Society celebrated on Thursday evening at the PIPE HALL HOTEL, Bilston, a record financial year, by holding their first annual dinner. There was a large gathering over which Councillor J. E. Downs (president of the society) presided…..”

Bilston and Willenhall Times 22/12/1928
“For the 8th annual open exhibition organised by the Bilston and District Roller Canary Club, held at the PIPE HALL HOTEL, Bilston, on Wednesday and Thursday, there were 300 entries, about the same as in last year…..”

Miss Sadler’s Dance Classes were held here. [1931]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 20/1/1934
“A most enjoyable evening was spent by the men’s and women’s committees of the New Town Ward, Bilston, Unionist Association, on Thursday evening, when a supper was given at the PIPE HALL HOTEL, by the ward members of the Town Council.
There were upwards of 50 present, including Alderman and Mrs. J. T. Baker, Alderman T. R. Wood, CC, JP, Councillor and Mrs. G. H. Plant, Councillor and Mrs. R. Smith, Mrs. John Toole, Mr. C. E. Clarke, and Mr. R. G. Sawyer (Unionist agent)…..”

William Robert Holland was fined £5 plus £5 5s 0d costs, on 22nd May 1936, for supplying intoxicating liquor during non-permitted hours.

John McArdle was born on 5th October 1907.
He was married to Ethel.
He was a devout Catholic.
He was called up for service in 1941 with the WT Reserve as NAAFI manager.
He died in 2000.
[The Black Country Bugle ran a series of articles, following his wartime diary, from 14/1/2010.]
**Bilston and Willenhall Times 21/9/1946**
“A bring and buy sale, organised by the members of Bilston Inner Wheel Club, was held at the PIPE HALL HOTEL on Tuesday, when about £35 was raised for various charities. Visitors were members from No. 6 District Inner Wheel Club, and Mrs. Louie Taylor, district chairman opened the sale. Mrs. Gameson, national representative, was also present.”

**Bilston and Willenhall Times 19/10/1946**
“Mr. T. Radford, secretary to the Birmingham Branch of the International Friendship League, explained the League’s aims at a meeting of Bilston Inner Wheel Club, held at the PIPE HALL HOTEL on Tuesday.”

Live music venue (pop and jazz) in 1960’s.

It became TOP CATS night club.

It was renamed CAROUSEL  [pre 1971]

[1971]

Closed  [1984]

It reopened as ROAR.  [2003]

Closed  [2008]

It reopened as GAVINS SPORTS BAR.  [2009]

The landlord, Swinder Singh Batth, was shot dead outside the bar on 28th July 2009. Two men were found guilty of his murder, in August 2010.
PLOUGH

82, (47), (46), (45), High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ann Hickman, spinster, Bilston
Edgbaston Brewery Co. Ltd., Five Ways, Birmingham
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.
Atkinsons Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Samuel Shotton  [1858]
James Cook   [1861] – [1865]
Reuben Robert Humphries  [1868] – [1870]
Ann Hickman   [1871]
Thomas Maddocks  [1872] – [1875];
Richard Hill  (1875 – 1877);
Benjamin Clarke (1877 – 1878);
Matthew Ward  (1878 – 1881);
Thomas Collins  (1881);
Joseph Ellwell  (1881 – 1882);
Francis Harper  (1882 – 1884);
John Millward  (1884 – 1885);
John George Kidson  (1885);
George Reynolds  (1885 – 1886);
Albert Lovatt  (1886 – 1887);
William Millett  (1887 – 1888);
Frederick Gardner  (1888 – 1889);
Herbert Stringer  (1889);
Walter Smith  (1889 – 1890);
Alfred Newton  (1890 – 1891);
James Maddox  (1891 – 1892);
Thomas Robinson  (1892 – 1894);
Mark Robinson  (1894 – 1895);
Edward Green  (1895 – 1897);
William Bickley  (1897);
John Evans  (1897 – 1911);
William Evans  (1911);
Thomas Goodall  (1911 – 1913);
Alfred Evans Hodson  (1913 – 1915);
Joseph Herrington  (1915);
George Maddox  (1915);
James Collins  (1915 – 1917);
Ada Mary Collins  (1917 – 1920);
John Davis  (1920 – 1921);
Annie Whittaker  (1921 – 1922);
Albert Bradley  (1922 – 1925);
Howard Freeman  (1925 – 1929);
William Henry Southall  (1929 – 1931);
George Amos Fox  (1931 – 1934);
Richard Bettelly  (1934 – 1936);
NOTES

47, High Street [1858], [1864], [1865], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]
46, High Street [1870]
45, High Street [1891]
82, High Street [1916], [1921], [1932], [1940]

1871 Census
47, High Street – The PLOUGH
[1] Ann Hickman (25), widow, publican employing one assistant, born Bilston;
[2] Mary Wilcox (68), house keeper, born Bilston:

1881 Census
47, High Street – The PLOUGH
[8] Ann Gallagher (20), general servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
45, High Street – PLOUGH INN
[1] Alfred Newton (32), licensed victualler, born Darlaston;
[3] Jessie C. Newton (6), daughter, scholar, born Darlaston:

T. Robinson was declared bankrupt.

1901 Census
82, High Street
[1] John Evans (53), coal miner (hewer) and publican, born Bilston;
[4] Lizzie Evans (17), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Thomas Evans (14), son, bricklayer’s assistant, born Bilston;

A music license was granted on 2nd March 1928.

Application for removal of license to premises to be erected in Stowheath Lane, Bilston was granted on 3rd March 1939.

It closed in 1956.

Demolished
**PLOUGH**

Shropshire Row, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

**LICENSEES**

John Parr [1839]

**NOTES**

*Wolverhampton Chronicle (October 1839)*

“Sale by Auction … on the premises, on 15th October 1839 … About 1,000 gallons of Prime Old Ale and the whole of the barrels and brewing utensils … effects of John Parr, PLOUGH INN, Shropshire Row, Bilston……”
PLOUGH AND HARBOR

Stafford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

George Withers  [1835]
POINT OF WAR

High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Freeth  [1833] – [1834]
PRINCE OF WALES

17, Highfields Road / Caledonia Street, Highfields, (Hallfields Road), (Hallfields) (Upper) Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Holland
John Holmes
Frederick William Plant, wine and spirit merchant, Bilston
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Holland  [1868] – 1877);
Robert Owen Nicholls  (1877 – 1878);
Richard Edward Lewis  (1878 – 1884);
John Holmes  (1884 – 1892);
Frederick William Plant  (1892);
Ann Maria Holmes  (1892 – 1897);
Joseph Danks  (1897 – 1915);
William Edwin Harrison  (1915 – 1921);
Annie Elizabeth Harrison  (1921 – 1923);
Edwin George Smith  (1923 – 1925);
William Butler  (1925 – 1940)
J S Rowley  [1983]

NOTES

Highfields  [1872]
Hallfields, Daisy Bank  [1873]
Hallfields Road  [1901]
17, Highfields Road  [1904], [1911], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Holland, beer retailer, Upper Bradley.  [1868], [1870]

1881 Census

Highfields Road
[1] Richard Edward Lewis (55), licensed victualler, born Worthen, Shropshire;
[3] Mary Ann Butler (17), servant, born Sedgley:
[Worthen is about 12 miles WSW of Shrewsbury.]
[Horsehay is now part of Telford.]

John Holmes was married to Ann Maria.
He died in 1892.
1901 Census
Hallfields Road – PRINCE OF WALES INN
[4] Laura Danks (18), daughter, born Bradley;
[6] Frances Clarke (16), stepdaughter, school teacher, born Princes End;
[7] Eliza Danks (16), daughter, school teacher, born Bradley;
[8] Ethel Danks (7), daughter, born Princes End;
[9] Selina Carter (19), general servant, born Leabrook:

1911 Census
17, Highfield Road, Bradley
[1] Joseph Danks (56), licensed victualler, born Bradley;
[2] Ann Danks (54), wife, married 21 years, born Warwick;
[4] Ethel Danks (17), daughter, born Princes End;
[5] Sylvia Best (20), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

Joseph Danks – see also NAVIGATION, Salop Street, Bradley.

Closed
It became a supermarket.
PRINCE OF WALES

44, Queen Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Isaac Bruerton, gentleman, Walsall
M J Fanning, wine merchant, Solihull
John William Hall, solicitor, Bilston
John Price Hilton
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Griffiths [1873 – 1878];
Samuel Rogers (1878 – 1880);*1
Joseph Edward Hand (1880);*1
George Joseph Richards (1880 – 1886);
Richard Kinsey (1886);*1
George Thomas Simkin (1886 – 1887);
James Lawley (1887);*2
Sarah Lawley (1887 – 1888);
William Michael Murty (1888 – 1889);
James Ball (1889 – 1890);
William Corkhill (1890 – 1891);
Alfred Fellows (1891 – 1892);
Edwin Humphries (1892 – 1902);
John Hilton [1896] ?
John Price Hilton (1902 – 1933); [1901] ?
Richard Harold Hilton (1933 – [1940]
K J Grainger [1976]

NOTES

James Lawley died on 17th November 1887.

1901 Census
24, Queen Street – PRINCE OF WALES INN
[1] John P. Hilton (48), licensed victualler manager, born Bilston;
[2] Louisa J. Hilton (50), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Richard H. Hilton (13), son, born Bilston:

John Price Hilton was president of St. Leonards FC.
He was fined £1 and costs, on 5th May 1916, for selling beer exceeding measure called for.

It closed in 2003.
It was demolished c. 2005.
QUEEN
Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES
Closed
Demolished
QUEENS ARMS

10, (13), (25), Wellington Road, (Wellington Street), (Lichfield Street), (Wolverhampton Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

John Grainger, builder, Darlaston Green
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Granger  [1850] – [1851]
H Booth  [1858]
Charles Wright  [1861] – [1865]
Charles Woodin  [1868] – [1873];
James Henry Shepherd  (1873 – 1875);
Frank Lloyd  (1875);
William Wright  (1875 – 1876);
James Wright  (1876 – 1877);
Samuel Thomas  (1877 – 1880);
Walter Dovey  (1880 – 1881);
Catherine Sturge  (1881 – 1882);
George Walker  (1882 – 1884);
David Ashmole  (1884 – 1885);
Elizabeth Evans  (1885);
Alfred Stone  (1885 – 1886);
Helen Stone  (1886);
Mary Ann Richards  (1886 – 1888)
William Scott  [1892] – 1897;
Mrs. Mary Jones  (1897 – 1901);
Edward Henry Till  (1901 – 1910);
Griffith Evans  (1910 – 1925);
Mrs. Marian Jane Richardson  (1925 – [1940]
Robert Michael Collins  [2005]

NOTES

Lichfield Street  [1850], [1851]
Wolverhampton Street  [1851], [1861], [1868], [1870], [1872]
Wellington Street  [1858], [1884]
25, Wellington Road  [1871]
13, Wellington Road  [1873]
10, Wellington Road  [1940]

QUEENS ARMS HOTEL  [1861]

John Granger, beer retailer, Lichfield Street.  [1850]
He was also a builder.  [1851]
1861 Census
Wellington Street
[1] Charles Wright (55), publican, born London;
[2] Elizabeth Wright (30), wife, born London;
[3] Arthur George Wright (9), son, scholar, born Coventry;
[4] Elizabeth Adelaide Wright (6), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Zillah Maria Wright (5), daughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
[7] Elizabeth Williams (54), mother in law, widow, no occupation, born Radnorshire;
[8] Sophia Garbett (20), barmaid, born Princes End;
[9] Hannah Cartwright (20), barmaid, born Wolverhampton;
[10] Samuel Charles (24), manservant, born Lenton, Nottinghamshire:

1871 Census
25, Wellington Road – QUEENS ARMS
[1] Charles Woodin (42), innkeeper, born Towcester, Northamptonshire;
[2] Ellen Cecelia Woodin (42), wife, born Binfield, Berkshire;
[3] Esther Jane Deller (73), mother in law, farmer’s widow, born Binfield, Berkshire;
[5] Emma Greenfield (15), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

Midlands Evening News 16/4/1884
“The QUEENS ARMS INN, Wellington Street, Bilston.
Mr. Thomas Skidmore is in receipt of instructions to sell by auction, without reserve, on the above premises in the occupation of Mr. George Walker, the whole of the Public House Fixtures and Effects, comprising in the spirit vault, fixed and loose seats, with stuffed backs; mahogany and oblong drinking tables, 8-day English timepiece, 6-pull ale machine, with stop taps and piping, 8-tap spirit fountain, piping, taps and barrels, Metal drainer, measures, funnels, ranging, glass shelving, mahogany top counter, with fittings, counter at back, half glazed door, jugs, cups, glasses, bottles, window blinds, gas fittings and piping, 30 gallons wines and spirits, 250 gallons ale, several boxes of cigars etc. The smoke room fittings are 11 birch arm smoking chairs, capital mahogany table, another oblong table, chimney glass, oil cloth, Windsor chairs etc. The other public house effects, comprise 3 table tops, seats with backs, slate bottom bagatelle board, full size, with balls and cues, set of skittles and bowls, in good condition; outside lamp and ironwork etc., also an assortment of household furniture…..”

William Scott was also a builder.  [1892], [1896]

1901 Census
Wellington Road – QUEENS ARMS INN
[1] Mary Jones (58), widow, hotel keeper, born Birmingham;
[2] Helen Jones (26), visitor, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Mary Shore (19), domestic servant, born Brierley Hill:

[1997]
It was renamed HAWKS BAR.  [2003], [2007]
Closed [2008]
It reopened as the B4 BAR.  [2009]
It was renamed NEW QUEENS ARMS.  [2009]
Closed
It was converted into housing.  [2012]
QUEENS HEAD
BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Charles Walters [1879]
RAILWAY

3, (5), Brook Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Barnett, builder, Bilston
Mary Ann Taylor, Perton Court, Wolverhampton
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

James Davenall  [1861] – [1868]
Joseph Cooper  [1871] – [1881];
Samuel Gaunt  (1881 – 1893);
Alfred Hall  (1893 – 1897);
Sarah Hyde  (1897 – 1898);
William Briggs  (1898 – 1930):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

James Davenall = James Davenhall

1861 Census
5, Brook Street
[4] Bessy Edwards (18), general servant, born Shropshire:

James Davenall, beer retailer, Brook Street.  [1865]
James Davenall, beer retailer, 5, Brook Street.  [1868]

1871 Census
5, Brook Street – RAILWAY TAVERN
[1] Joseph Cooper (57), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
[2] Phoebe Cooper (50), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Samuel Cooper (22), son, moulder, born Bilston;
[5] Edwin Cooper (19), bundler in iron works, born Bilston;
[6] Elijah Cooper (15), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Joseph Cooper (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Alfred Cooper (5), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Selina Cooper (17), daughter, born Bilston;
[10] Edward Pugh (12), grandson, scholar, born Bilston:
1881 Census
5, Brook Street – RAILWAY INN
[1] Samuel Gaunt (27), publican and general dealer, born Bilston;
[2] Selina Gaunt (28), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Selina Gaunt (8 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Frederick Curtis (19), servant, born Bilston;
[7] Alfred Cooper (15), servant, born Bilston;
[8] Isaac Morgan (15), servant, born Willenhall.

1891 Census
5, Brook Street – RAILWAY INN
[1] Samuel Gaunt (37), general dealer and publican, born Darlaston;
[2] Selina Gaunt (36), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Samuel Gaunt (11), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Selina Gaunt (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Mary Gaunt (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;

1901 Census
3, Brook Street
[1] William Briggs (34), tube grinder iron works, born Birmingham;
[2] Mary A. Briggs (29), wife, born Bilston:

William Briggs, beer retailer, Brook Street. [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 28th July 1930. Compensation of £1,275 was paid on 20th December 1930.
RAILWAY

4, Hill Street, (64, Hall Street), (Railway Street), Hallfields, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Samuel Holloway
Francis Light, blacksmith, Burslem
Samuel Salt, brewer, Dudley
Chater and Co., brewers, Wolverhampton
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
The Old Wolverhampton Breweries Ltd.
Frank Myatt Ltd.
Ansells Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Richards  [1841] – [1842]
Samuel Holloway  [1851] – [1854]
Mrs. Sarah Holloway  [1861] – [1870]
Samuel Holloway Leech  [1871] – 1886;
Thomas Butler  (1886 – 1892);
Mrs. Eliza Butler  (1892 – 1922);
James Brown  (1922);
Frederick Cowern  (1922 – 1923);
Joseph Challenger  (1923 – 1929);
Samuel Higgins  (1929 – 1933);
Harry Richards  (1933 – 1937);
George Henry ‘Harry’ Percival  (1937 – [1940]

NOTES

Railway Street
64, Hall Street  [1861], [1871], [1881], [1891]
4, Hill Street  [1904], [1911], [1916], [1921], [1940]

RAILWAY TAVERN  [1864], [1865], [1868] [1871], [1873], [1881], [1896], [1946]

RAILWAY INN

Samuel Holloway was born in Sedgley in 1802.
He was also a boat builder.
He married Sarah Read on 26th December 1821, at Tipton.
He died in 1860.

1861 Census
64, Hall Street – RAILWAY TAVERN
[1] Sarah Holloway (58), widow, victualler, born Bilston:

Samuel Holloway Leech was born in 1843, in Bilston, the son of John Leech and Elizabeth Holloway.
He married Ann Carthy on 20th June 1863 in Wolverhampton.

Sarah Holloway died in 1881.
1871 Census
64, Hall Street – RAILWAY TAVERN
[1] Samuel H. Leech (28), iron roller and publican, born Bilston;
[4] Samuel Leech (10 months), son, born Bilston;
[5] Sarah Holloway (68), grandmother, annuitant, born Bilston;
[6] Emily Leech (12), sister, domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

1881 Census
64, Hall Street – RAILWAY TAVERN
[1] Samuel H. Leech (38), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[5] Samuel Leech (10), son, born Bilston;
[6] Mary Leech (9), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Harriet Leech (7 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[9] Sarah Holloway (78), grandmother, born Bilston:

Samuel Holloway Leech went bankrupt in 1886.
He died in 1894, in West Bromwich.

1891 Census
64, Hall Street – The RAILWAY TAVERN
[1] Thomas Butler (46), publican, born Darlaston;
[2] Eliza Butler (45), wife, born Birmingham;
[3] Mary Butler (22), daughter, born Birmingham;
[4] Mary A. Butler (15), daughter, born Birmingham;
[6] Ellen Stewart (10), niece, born Birmingham:

Thomas Butler died on 25th June 1892.

1901 Census
Hill Street
[1] Eliza Butler (53), widow, publican, born Birmingham;
[2] George T. Butler (23), son, joiner, born Toll End;
[5] Philip S. Whitehouse (2), grandson, born Bradley, Bilston:

1911 Census
4, Hill Street
[1] Eliza Butler (64), widow, licensed victualler, born Birmingham;
[5] Frederick Whitehouse (9), grandson, school, born Bradley:
A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League. [1946]

**Bilston and Willenhall Times 16/3/1946**

“At Bilston Adjourned Licensing Sessions, on Friday of last week, among the applications was one for the removal of the license of the RAILWAY INN, Bradley, to premises proposed to be erected at the junction of Burton Road and Broadway, Sedgley, or alternatively, for a new license at the site.

It was intimated that there was opposition from local residents, who appointed Mrs. J. L. Cort, of 270, The Broadway, to speak for them. Mr. A. D. Dallow also opposed on behalf of the GREEN DRAGON, a licensed house some 700 yards away.

Mr. O. L. Bergendorff, who appeared for the applicants, said a canvas in the area had been taken and this showed an overwhelming majority of people in favour of a public house being erected on the site and he submitted that a more ideal spot for one could not be found.

After hearing witnesses for the applicants and also the opposition, the justices declined to sanction the removal for a new license.”

Closed
License removed to new house to be built at Ellowes Road, Lower Gornal - February 1957. 
Demolished
RAILWAY FOUNTAIN

Hall Green, (Upper Bradley), Highfields, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Green  [1851]
John Martin  [1861]
Noah Halford  [1870]

NOTES

*John Martin* was also a grocer.  [1861]

Check GREAT WESTERN.
RECRUITING SERGEANT

High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Harthill  

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Hartill, retailer of beer, High Street.  

[1818] – [1835]

[1835]
RED COW

3, (5), Bridge Street, (Fraser Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

John Proffitt
Samuel Hughes
John William Hall, solicitor, Bilston
Matthew Smith, brewer, Dudley
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd.

LICENSEES

Noah Caddick  [1818] – [1822]
Edward Evans  [1828] – [1830]
James Caddick  [1833] – [1851]
William Stretton  [1854]
John Proffitt  [1864] – [1883];
George Holmes  [1879]  (?)
George Proffitt  (1883 – 1884);
Charles Smith  (1884 – 1885);
John Garner Parker  (1885 – 1886);
Samuel Hughes  (1886 – 1893);
William Price  (1893 – 1894);
Charles Carpenter  (1894 – 1895);
George Lawrence  (1895 – 1896);
William Clay  (1896 – 1898);
Enoch Burton Waterfield  (1898);
Arthur Bagnall  (1898 – 1899);
Alfred Guest  (1899 – 1901);
William and Catherine Williams  (1901 – 1902);
John Owen  (1902);
John Jones  (1902 – 1908);
George Henry White  (1908);
William Edwards  (1908 – 1909);
John Lewis  (1909);
William Edwards  (1909);
John Thomas Lloyd  (1909 – 1911);
Mrs. Elizabeth Millard  (1911 – 1916);
Henry Flavell  (1916 – 1922);
George Richards  (1922 – 1923);
George William Newbould  (1923):
NOTES

5, Bridge Street  [1874], [1892], [1896]
3, Bridge Street  [1904], [1912]
Fraser Street  [1916], [1921]

It was known locally as “The Red Curtains”.

It was used by theatricals.

Noah Caddick was also a cabinet lock maker.  [1818]

James Caddick was also a brass and iron founder.  [1833]
He was described as being also a brassfounder.  [1845], [1849]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 9/6/1858
“An inquest was held on Monday last at the RED COW INN, Bilston, before T. M. Phillips Esq., on the body of Thomas Foy, aged 50, a miner, who was accidentally killed by a fall of coal, whilst working in a pit belonging to Mr. Blackwell. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental death.”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 7/7/1858
“On Friday last, T. M. Phillips Esq., Coroner, held an inquest at the RED COW INN, Bilston, on the body of Enoch Williams, a miner, aged nineteen years. On Wednesday last, the deceased was employed at the bottom of Richard Rudge’s coal pit, in the coalfield of Mr. D. Jones, taking out the curb and bricks, for the purpose of filling up the shaft, the pit being an old one. Rudge had been down the shaft several times in the course of the day, assisting the deceased, but in the afternoon, when Williams was alone the whole of the brickwork lining the shaft suddenly fell in and upon him ….. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental death.”

John Proffitt, beer retailer, 65, Bridge Street.  [1864]

John Proffitt and John Palmer appear in the same 1868 Directory.

1881 Census
5, Bridge Street – RED COW
[1] John Proffit (70), innkeeper, born Willenhall;
[2] Mary Proffit (70), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Eliza Bull (22), niece, general servant, born Dudley:

1891 Census
Bridge Street – RED COW INN
[1] Samuel Hughes (40), publican, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Dale (20), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
Bridge Street – RED COW INN
[1] James Williams (33), engine driver (stationary), born Darlaston;
[2] Catherine Williams (28), wife, born London;
[3] Frank Williams (3), son, born Darlaston;
[4] Horace J. Williams (1), son, born Tipton;
[5] Violetta Grice (24), sister in law, blind from birth, born London:
1911 Census
RED COW
[2] Elizabeth Millard (29), wife, married 9 years, licensed victualler, born Margam, South Wales;
[3] Elsie Millard (9), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Jane Burleigh (20), general servant, born Bilston:

George Millard – See also BARREL, LION and SPREAD EAGLE.

George Richards was fined £10 for permitting drunkenness, £10 for selling intoxicating liquor to a
drunk person, and £20 plus costs of £11 5s 0d for selling intoxicating liquor during prohibited hours,
on 15th December 1922.

The license was refused at the annual licensing meeting, on 9th February 1923, on the grounds that it
was ill conducted.
An appeal to Stafford Quarter Sessions, on 4th April 1923, was dismissed.

It closed in 1923.
It became a lodging house.
**RED CROSS KNIGHT**

11, Brook Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Thomas Strange Hatton, gentleman, Wednesbury  
Messrs. Scott and Harris, japanners, Bilston

**LICENSEES**

Elizabeth Smith   [1861]  
Job Porter   [1873] – [1874];  
Jonathan Dyke   (1874 – 1880);  
Daniel Darke   (1880 – 1887);  
William Till   (1887 – 1893);

**NOTES**

It had a beerhouse license.

**1861 Census**

11, Brook Street  
[1] John Smith (50), machiner’s clerk, born Bilston;  
[2] Elizabeth Smith (47), wife, beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;  
[5] Agnes Smith (16), daughter, dressmaker, born Bilston;  
[6] Charles Smith (14), son, solicitor’s junior assistant, born Bilston;  
[7] Margarett Smith (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;  
[8] Lucy L. Smith (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;  
[9] Terese Agene (?) Smith (5), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

William Beards, beer retailer, 11, Brook Street.   [1868]

**1871 Census**

11, Brook Street – RED CROSS KNIGHT  
[2] Elizabeth Beards (47), wife, born Dawley, Shropshire;  
[4] Elizabeth Beards (15), daughter, born Bilston;  
[6] Michael Dumming (74), father in law, formerly coal miner, born Dawley, Shropshire;  
1881 Census
11, Brook Street – RED CROSS KNIGHT
[1] Jonathan Dyke (34), publican and miner, born Bilston;
[2] Martha Dyke (34), wife, born Coseley;
[3] Mary Dyke (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Hannah Dyke (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Elijah Dyke (6 months), son, born Bilston:

The license was abandoned at the Licensing Meeting in 1893.
RED LION
32, Brierley Lane, (Batmans Hill), (Daisy Bank), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS
Ann Townsend, Brierley Lane, Bradley

LICENSEES
Edward Smith  [1828] – [1851]
Miss Esther Wise  [1871]
Sarah Ainsworth  [ ] – 1873);
Enoch Walters  (1873 – 1875);
Samuel Busby  (1875 – 1879);
John Roberts  (1879 – 1881);
Joseph George  (1881 – 1883);
William Stone  (1883 – [1904]

NOTES
Daisy Bank  [1849]
It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
32, Brierley Lane
[1] Esther Wise (34), unmarried, tailoress and beer seller, born Sedgley;
[4] Sarah Wise (62), mother, born Sedgley:

William Stone, beer retailer, Brierley Lane, Bradley.  [1896], [1900], [1904]
An inquest was held here in May 1874, on Lucy Cooper (29), who was beaten to death by her husband, Roland. A verdict of manslaughter was given.
RED LION

49, (26), (25–26), (31), (30), (23), Dudley Street (South), BILSTON

OWNERS

John Smith, beerhouse keeper, Salop Row, Bradley, Bilston
Solomon Fellows
Samuel Leadbetter
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1946]

LICENSEES

John Taylor [1858]
Thomas Smart [1864] – [1865]
Thomas Richards [1868] – 1876);
William Richards (1876);
Solomon Fellows (1876 – 1880);
Samuel Leadbetter (1880 – 1886);
Joseph Onions (1886 – 1887);
Thomas Hill (1887 – 1888);
James Gilbert (1888 – 1893);
Samuel Leadbetter (1893);
Jemima Leadbetter (1893 – 1894);
Thomas Woodhouse (1894 – 1896);
William Millard Whitehouse (1896 – 1906);
Mrs. Martha Annie Whitehouse (1906 – 1912);
James Elwell (1912 – 1913);
Job Foster (1913 – 1921);
Fred William Baker (1921 – 1922);
John Edward Currin (1922 – 1933);
William Edward Leach (1933 – [1940]
Frank Poole [1954]

NOTES

23, Dudley Street [1858], [1864], [1865]
30, Dudley Street [1872]
31, Dudley Street [1873], [1874]
25–26, Dudley Street [1881], [1891]
26, Dudley Street [1892], [1896]
49, Dudley Street [1901], [1904], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1932], [1940]

LION [1868], [1870]

It had a beerhouse license.
Thomas Richards died on 8th July 1876.

**1881 Census**
25+26, Dudley Street – RED LION INN
[1] Samuel Leadbetter (46), colliery manager, born Bilston;
[3] Harriett Richards (15), domestic servant, born Sedgley:

**1891 Census**
25+26, Dudley Street – RED LION
[1] James Gilbert (50), public house manager, born Kingswinford;
[2] Eliza A. Gilbert (54), wife, born Brierley Hill;
[3] Benjamin Gilbert (27), son, clerk in factory, born Kingswinford;
[4] Samuel Gilbert (26), son, stationary engine fireman, born Kingswinford;
[6] Emily Gilbert (18), daughter, general servant, born Bilston;
[7] Edith Talbot (8), niece, scholar, born Smethwick;
[8] John Fletcher (15), nephew, stationary engine fireman, born Bilston;
[9] Fancy Fletcher (14), niece, born Bilston:

Samuel Leadbetter died on 24th November 1893.

Jemima Leadbetter was convicted on 28th February 1894 for permitting drunkenness. She died on 21st March 1894.

**1901 Census**
49, Dudley Street – RED LION INN
[6] Lily Green (21), general servant, born Manchester:

Bilston and Willenhall Times 14/1/1928
“A smoking concert of lodges 384 and 456 of the Caledonian Corks, attended by upwards of sixty members, was held at the RED LION INN, Dudley Street, Bilston, to welcome district officials – Mr. Harold Jones presided at the piano and songs were given by Messrs. Harold Jones, C. Richards, Bert Jones, Harry Heath, Harry Clarke, and Bert Clarke.”

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Frank Poole later kept the BRITANNIA, Bradley.

Closed
It was demolished circa 1970.
RED LION
Ettingshall Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
George Marson  [1841] – [1842]

NOTES
Ann Marson, retail brewer, Ettingshall Lane.  [1833]

George Marson  = George Mason
RED LION

39, (34), George Street, Priestsfield, (New Village), (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

Benjamin Benton, labourer, George Street, New Village
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Edward Flowers [1868] – [1870]
James Evans [1871] – 1878;  
Edward Ratcliffe (1878 – 1895);  
Albert Higgs (1895 – 1898);  
Mrs. Ellen Higgs (1898 – 1901);  
Robert Theophilus Reynolds (1901 – 1904);  
Thomas Howell (1904 – 1905);  
Edward Stambridge (1905 – 1910);  
David Lloyd (1910 – 1914);  
Samuel Hadley (1914);  
William Turner (1914 – 1933);  
Samuel Thomas Stanley (1933 – 1937);  
Sidney Purslow (1937 – [1938]

NOTES

OLD RED LION [1892], [1896], [1901], [1904], [1912]

Check Chapel Street

1871 Census
34, George Street
[1] James Evans (55), publican and butcher, born Ettingshall;  
[2] Catherine Evans (54), wife, born Stow Lawn;  
[4] Polly Evans (22), daughter, born Ettingshall;  
[6] Lydia Evans (19), daughter, born Ettingshall;  
[7] David Evans (16), son, striker for blacksmith, born Ettingshall;  
[8] Keziah Evans (12), daughter, scholar, born Ettingshall;  
[9] Samuel Evans (9), son, scholar, born Ettingshall:

Edward Ratcliffe = Edward Radcliffe

1881 Census
George Street – RED LION
[1] Edward Radcliffe (49), licensed victualler, born Goldthorn Hill;  
[4] Emilia Walters (17), general servant, born Bilston:
1891 Census
34, George Street – RED LION INN
[1] Edward Ratcliffe (59), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Flora Heeley (19), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

1901 Census
39, George Street – OLD RED LION Public House
[1] Robert Reynolds (46), publican innkeeper and iron roll turner, born Brierley Hill;
[4] Winifred Reynolds (2 months) daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Eunice Dunkey (22), domestic servant, born Liverpool:

William Turner was fined £1 and costs, on 5th May 1916, for selling beer exceeding measure called for.

Closed
Demolished
RED LION

121, (120), (119), Parkfield Road, (29, Goldthorn Hill Road), Rough Hills, (near Catchems Corner), Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Skidmore, auctioneer, Dudley
Thomas Hampton
John Young
Sarah Young
The Brewers’ Investment Cooperative Ltd.
Showells Brewery Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp (leased)
Ansell Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Jones  [1841] – [1850]
William Jones  [1851] – 1876);
Enoch Cooper  (1876 – 1878);
Thomas Hampton  (1878 – 1880);
John Young  (1880 – 1881);
Sarah Young  (1881 – 1884);
Joseph Jefferson Boston  (1884 – 1886);
Henry Francis Griffiths  (1886 – 1887);
Charles Robert Junior  (1887);
Charles Freeman  (1887 – 1888);
Samuel Sprason  (1888);
Robert Bevan  (1888 – 1889);
Jeremiah Skidmore  (1889 – 1893);
Lewin Ellis  (1893 – 1903);
Sarah Jane Gardom  (1903 – 1911);
William Herrington  (1911 – 1919);
Thomas Kent  (1919 – 1922);
Donald David Leary  (1922 – 1930);
James Henry Clark  (1930 – [1938]

NOTES

29, Goldthorn Hill Road  [1861]
Goldthorn Hill Road  [1871]
120, Parkfield Road  [1912]
119, Parkfield Road  [1912], [1916]
121, Parkfield Road  [1998]
1861 Census
29, Goldthorn Hill Road – RED LION
[6] Samuel Jones (8), son, scholar, born Bilston;

1871 Census
Goldthorn Hill Road – Public House – RED LION INN
[4] Samuel Jones (17), son, labourer in field, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Rachel Wootten (10), niece, born Wednesbury;
[8] Mary Kenyon (49), domestic servant, born Newcastle, Northumberland:

John Young died in 1881.

1891 Census
Parkfield Road – RED LION
[1] Jeremiah Skidmore (31), public house manager, born Sedgley;
[2] Elizabeth Skidmore (28), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Emma Bird (19), servant, born Sedgley:

Lewin Ellis = Lewis Ellis

1901 Census
Parkfield Road
[1] Lewin Ellis (49), publican, born Stourport;
[2] Emma Ellis (38), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Harry Ellis (12), son, born Bilston;
[4] Bertha Ellis (9), daughter, born Wednesbury;
[5] Adelaide Smallman (42), visitor, born Bilston;
[6] Nelly Attwood (17), general servant, born Bilston:

Closed
It was converted into a restaurant.  [2007]
RED LION

Catchems Corner, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Benjamin Smith  [1833]

NOTES

Check Parkfield Road.
RISING SUN

16, Cross Street, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Benjamin Bumford  [1854]
Thomas Adams  [1861]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Adams, beer retailer, Upper Bradley.  [1861]

1861 Census

16, Cross Street – RISING SUN
[4] James Adams (21), son, fitter, born Wednesbury:
ROBIN HOOD

161, (76), (75 and 76), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Mellor, pork butcher, Darlaston
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Richard Walker [1858]
John Jones [1861] – [1876];
George Bullock (1876 – 1878);
Thomas Price (1878 – 1879);
George Martin (1879 – 1881);
George Rose (1881 – 1882);
John Jones (1882 – 1883);
Arthur Faulkner Williams (1883 – 1885);
Thomas Leadbetter (1885 – 1886);
John Unitt (1886 – 1893);
William Davis (1893 – 1907);
Emma Davis (1907 – 1910);
John Thomas Davis (1910 – 1913);
Mary Louisa Davis (1913 – 1914);
Joshua Sillitoe (1914 – 1919);

NOTES

76, Oxford Street [1861], [1891]
75 and 76, Oxford Street [1871]
161 Oxford Street [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

Richard Walker, beerhouse keeper, 76, Oxford Street. [1858]

1861 Census

76, Oxford Street
[2] Martha Jones (35), wife, born Lane End, Cheshire;
[5] Elizabeth S. Jones (3 weeks), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Isaac Anderton (19), boarder, puddler, born Bilston;
[7] Ann Evans (14), domestic servant, born Bilston:

John Jones, beer retailer, 76, Oxford Street. [1865], [1868]
1871 Census
75 and 76, Oxford Street
[1] John Jones (43), publican, born Bolas, Shropshire;
[2] Martha Jones (43), wife, born Madeley, Cheshire;
[5] Alfred Jones (7), son, born Bilston:

1891 Census
76, Oxford Street – ROBIN HOOD
[1] John Unitt (51), sheet iron shearer, born Kings Arley, Worcestershire;
[2] Hannah Unitt (51), wife, born Acton Trussell, Staffordshire;
[5] Lilly Unitt (2), granddaughter, born Willenhall;
[6] Charles Morton (50), boarder, bright tinner, born Birmingham:

William Davis = William Davies

1901 Census
161, Oxford Street
[1] William Davies (63), publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Emma Davies (61), wife, born Tipton;
[4] Mary A. Marr (17), domestic servant, born Bilston:

William Davis, beer retailer, 161, Oxford Street. [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 24th July 1919.
Compensation of £1,450 was paid on 20th December 1919.
License extinguished on 27th December 1919.

It was demolished.
ROCKET POOLS

Rocket Pool Drive, (School Drive), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Albert Matthews  [ ]  
Dennis Jones  [ ]  
Sunjit Singh Sanghera  [2007]

NOTES

School Drive  
Rocket Pool Drive  [1990], [1997], [2001]

Albert Matthews was married to Ethel.  
He was also licensee of the OLD BUSH and HOP POLE.  
[1983]

It was the headquarters of the Princes End Racing Pigeon Club.  [2000]

Dennis Jones was married to Pat.  
He died on 13th August 2008, aged 88.  
See also OLD BUSH, Bradley, DOG AND PARTRIDGE, and FORGE HAMMER.  
[2012]
ROEBUCK

50, Bridge Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Theophilus Morrell, auctioneer, Bilston

LICENSEES

John Hall  [1818] – [1822]
James Nash  [1828] – [1830]
Ann Fowler  [1851]
Benjamin Owen  [1851]
Samuel Jones  [1864] – [1865]
Mrs. Sarah Jones  [1868] – 1872:

NOTES

1871 Census
Bridge Street – ROE BUCK INN
[1] Sarah Jones (55), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[4] Lydia Jones (13), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

The license was taken away by the justices at an adjournment of the annual licensing meeting in 1872.
ROEBUCK

2, Crown Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edward Clarke  [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census
[1] Edward Clarke (41), retail brewer, born Bridgnorth;
[2] Caroline Clarke (40), wife, born Bridgnorth;
[5] Eliza Hallam (17), general servant, born Bilston;
[7] Joshua Jones (22), lodger, tailor, born Aitken, North Wales;
[8] Evan Jones (21), lodger, tailor, born Llanrhaird, North Wales;
[9] Henry Benson (43), lodger, tailor, born Shrewsbury;
[10] Robert Jones (21), lodger, tailor, born Wellington, Shropshire;
[12] Enoch Williams (33), lodger, tailor, born Liverpool;
[14] Maria Williams (10), daughter, born Liverpool;
[15] Enoch Lavander (47), lodger, blacksmith, born Bilston;
[16] Wmanuel Lavander (14), son, born Bilston;
[17] George Cottage (40), lodger, agricultural labourer, born Bilston;
[18] Joseph Maddox (45), lodger, blacksmith, born Bilston;
[19] Susannah Wriggles (59), lodger, tailor, born Kingswinford:
ROLLING MILL

Highfields Road, (High Street), (Stafford Row), Highfields, {Ettingshall}, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mrs. Lloyd, Pennfields, Wolverhampton
William Taft
Hannah Taft
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Edward Jones  [1818] – [1842]
Anthony Rolinson  [1845] – [1854]
Whitmer Lathe  [1864] – [1865]
William Stokes  [1868] – [1870]
Mrs. Catherine Stokes  [1872]
Richard Shuttleworth  [ ] – 1873);
William Taft  (1873 – 1890);
Mrs. Hannah Taft  (1890 – 1896);
Henry Moseley  (1896 – 1901);
Mark Knight  (1901 – 1902);
Joseph Edward Chatterton  (1902);
Patrick ‘Pat’ Walsh  (1902 – 1906);
John Joseph Turner  (1906 – 1907);
Thomas Holmes Parode  (1907 – 1917);
George Williamson  (1917 – 1923);
Thomas Bowyer  (1923 – 1927);
Arthur Hall  (1927 – 1932);
William Ball  (1932 – 1938);
Percy Mills Lloyd  (1938 – [1940]

NOTES

Ettingshall  [1828]
Stafford Row
High Street  [1845], [1849]
Highfields Road

1881 Census

Highfield Road – ROLLING MILL INN
[1] William Taft (49), maltster and brewer, born Sedgley;
[2] Hannah Taft (49), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Hannah Line (14), domestic servant, born Sedgley;
[4] Ann Potts (20), domestic servant, born Sedgley;
[5] Sarah Turley (28), barmaid, born Sedgley:

Thomas Bowyer was fined 25s, on 23rd May 1924, for selling beer, in a vessel not corked or sealed, to a child under 14 years.
On 26th December 1926, he was fined £5 for supplying intoxicating liquor during non permitted hours, and £2 for aiding and abetting the consumption of intoxicating liquor during non permitted hours.
ROLLING MILL

Millfields Road / 22, Union Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Richard Cross
William Hugh Sparrow
Enoch Wild
Martha Wild
James Cahill, brewer, Heath Town, Wolverhampton
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Edwards  [1873 – 1874];
Richard Cross  (1874 – 1877);
Richard Delmore  (1877 – 1883);
Richard Cross  (1883 – 1892);
Mary Wild  (1892 – 1893);
Enoch Wild  (1893 – 1905);
Martha Wild  (1905 – 1910);
Eli Cresswell  (1910 – 1923);
John Fellows  (1923 – 1927);
Arthur John Edwards  (1927 – 1933);
John Beards  (1933 – 1937);
Arthur Weekes  (1937 – [1950’s]
G B Garrett  [1976]

NOTES

It was originally called BRITANNIA.
BRITANNIA ARMS  [1881]

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census
22, Union Street – BRITANNIA (sic) ARMS
[3] Annie Delmore (20), daughter, born Walsall;
[4] Patrick Delmore (15), son, ____ and labourer, born Bilston;
[7] Kate Delmore (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:
1891 Census
Union Street – The ROLLING MILL
[1] Richard Cross (59), carpenter, born Bilston;
[2] Ellen Cross (58), wife, publican, born Bilston;
[3] Clara Cross (19), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Richard Cross (17), son, labourer in iron foundry, born Bilston;
[5] Priscilla Holmes (14), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Mary Wild died on 2nd March 1893.

The name was altered to ROLLING MILL, in the licensing register, on 29th August 1899.

Enoch Wild = Enoch Wilde
E. Wild issued tokens from here.

1901 Census
Millfields Road
[1] Enoch Wild (29), brewer and publican, born Sedgley;
[3] Mary Wild (8), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Evelyn Wild (2), daughter, born Bilston:

Enoch Wild, beer retailer, Millfields Road.  [1904]

Eli Cresswell, beer retailer, Millfields Road.  [1912, 1916]

Auction Catalogue (Alfred W. Dando & Co. Ltd.) 2nd June 1915
“…..Let on a short tenancy at a rental of £40 0s 0d per annum. A valuable old-fashioned corner property extending to and fronting Union Street, close to the works of Messrs. Alfred Hickman Ltd, on the main road between Bilston and the Fighting Cocks with a great and constant passing traffic, the accommodation comprising Entrance Passage, Smoke Room front 14’ x 11’, Tap Room 12’ x 12’, Bar 12’ x 10’, Living Kitchen, Scullery, Two Bedrooms and Cellars, together with Three-floor Brewery, Stabling, Piggeries, large open yard and the usual Outbuildings, the Property being entirely walled in; also the two unnumbered brick-built and tile-roofed Four-roomed Dwelling Houses fronting Union Street, let ….”

John Beards = John Beard
He was married to Comfort Alice.
He was ex-works manager for M. B. Wild.
He died on 7th February 1937, aged 62.

Bilston and Willenhall Times 12/1/1946
“In connection with the crib club held at the ROLLING MILL INN, Millfields Road, Bilston, the annual supper was held last Thursday, when there was a large attendance. An excellent Christmas repast was served and afterwards there was a concert……”

Closed
It was demolished circa 1980.
ROOKERY TAVERN

35, Wood Street, Lanesfield, (New Street, Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

John Davis
Richard Jones
Stephen Rhodes
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Davis  [1872] – 1881);
Richard Jones  (1881 – 1896);
Jonah Jones  (1896 – 1897);
Stephen Rhodes  (1897 – 1926);
William Thomas Bayliss  (1926 – [1940]
Sid Bennett  []
Tony Andrews  [1999]
A Matharu  [2005]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

John Davis, beer retailer, Rookery, Ettingshall.  [1872]

1901 Census
Wood Street – ROOKERY TAVERN
[1] Stephen Rhodes (39), publican, born Bilston;
[5] Fred Rhodes (13), son, boiler works, born Bilston;
[6] Beatrice Rhodes (4), daughter, born Bilston:

Stephen Rhodes, beer retailer, 35, Wood Street, Lanesfield.  [1904], [1912]

1911 Census
35, Wood Street, Lanesfield – ROOKERY TAVERN
[1] Stephen Rhodes (49), brewer, born Bilston;
[2] Harriet Rhodes (47), wife, married 28 years, born Bilston;
[5] Ethel V. Rhodes (17), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Beatrice Rhodes (14), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Hilda M. Rhodes (8), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[8] Percy S. Rhodes (5), son, born Wolverhampton:
‘The Rookery Tavern etc.’, based on a letter from Ben Owen of Parkfields

“…..This brought back to me many memories of the nineteen twenties. At that time, the brewer at the tavern was a Mr. Jim Lakin, a friend of our family. He was either the very first, or one of the first to be run over and killed by a car on the Birmingham New Road….. Jim Lakin also assisted in the brewing at the HEN AND CHICKENS in Eagle Street, Wolverhampton.”

James Henry Lakin, brewed the beer here in the 1930’s.

William Bayliss was also a brewer.

‘Wolverhampton Pubs’ by Alec Brew

“The last licensees of the old pub, Sid and Elsie Bennett, also became the first of the new one.”

Demolished
Rebuilt

[2012]
ROSE AND CROWN

Church Street, Swan Bank, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

George Banks [1822]
Elijah Price [1845] – [1858]
Joseph Best []

NOTES

Swan Bank [1849]

ROSE [1822], [1858]

Coaches to Birmingham ran from here twice a day.

Check WHITE ROSE.
ROSE AND CROWN

(Middle) Field Lane, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joshua Granger  [1818] – [1834]
Thomas Almond  [1835]

NOTES

Joshua Granger = Joshua Grainger

Joshua Granger was also a tray manufacturer.  [1818]
ROSE AND CROWN

41, Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Benjamin Owen [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census
41, Temple Street
[1] Benjamin Owen (65), stone miner, born Dawley, Shropshire;
[3] Sarah Owen (18), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Phebe Roper (32), wife, born Bilston:
ROUGH HILLS TAVERN

Rooker Avenue, (8, Rough Hills), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Russell   [1901]
Ziah Jones     [ ]
R Kumar        [2005]

NOTES

8, Rough Hills   [1901]
Rooker Avenue   [2005]

1901 Census
8, Rough Hills – ROUGH HILLS TAVERN
[1] John Russell (43), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Elison Russell (40), wife, born Bloxwich;
[6] Ruth Russell (11), daughter, born Hednesford;
[7] Elison Russell (8), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[8] John W. Russell (6 months), son, born Wolverhampton:

Ziah Jones later had a chip shop on Dudley Road   [c. 1922]

[1976]
[2005]

Closed
Boarded up and awaiting demolition   [2007], [2012]
ROUND COUNTER

4, Rose Street, (Batmans Hill), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Venton
Ambrose Roberts
Ambrose Hughes, grocer, Cross Street, Bradley, Bilston
Thomas Homer, Brierley Hill
Atkinsons Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Venton  [1871] – 1890);
Mrs. Eliza Venton  (1890 – 1892);
Ambrose Roberts  (1892 – 1893);
Eliza (Martin) Paul  (1893 – 1897);
Samuel Marlow  (1897 – 1900);
Emma Harris  (1900 – 1902);
Rowland Thomas  (1902 – 1905);
John Grainger  (1905);
John Grainger  (1905 – 1907);
James Harris  (1907 – 1910);
Joseph Campion Churms  (1910 – 1913);
William Brown  (1913 – 1915);
Henry Brown  (1915 – 1918);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
4, Rose Street
[3] Elizabeth Venton (23), daughter, born Exeter;
[7] Mary Ann Venton (9), daughter, born Winscombe, Gloucestershire:

John Venton died on 20th August 1890.

Eliza Martin married James Paul on 19th May 1895.

Rowland Thomas, beer retailer, 4, Rose Street, Bradley.  [1904]

John Grainger was fined £2 and costs, on 24th November 1905, for permitting drunkenness.
It was referred to the Compensation Authority in February 1908.

1911 Census
Rose Street – ROUND COUNTER
[2] Lucy Churms (23), wife, married 2 years, born Great Bridge;
[3] Edwin Churms (1), son, born Woodsetton:

Joseph Campion Churms – See also SHOULDER OF MUTTON.

License refused by Compensation Authority on 3rd July 1918.
Compensation of £750 was paid on 21st December 1918.
License extinguished on 28th December 1918.
ROYAL ARTILLERY

9, (5), High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

David Jones Bache, gentleman, Bilston
Mrs. Mary Tudor, Langley, Oldbury
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
The Old Wolverhampton Breweries Ltd.
Atkinsons Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mary Tudor   [1873] – [1875];
Joseph Siddons  (1875 – 1879);
Frank Bostock  (1879);
Ann Palmer   (1879);
John Corbett  (1879 – 1882);
George Roberts  (1882 – 1884);
Samuel Fellows (1884 – 1887);
John Bailey   (1887 – 1888);
William Thomas Goodway Locke  (1888 – 1889);
Kate Roberts  (1889 – 1891);
William McDonnell (1891);
William Edwin Cole  (1891 – 1892);
William Millard Whitehouse  (1892 – 1896);
Thomas Woodhouse  (1896 – 1897);
Job Webb  (1897 – 1906);
William Benjamin Wood  (1906 – 1907);
Arthur John Roden  (1907 – 1912);
John Wright   (1912 – 1913);
Arthur Frederick Hawkins  (1913 – 1914);
Mrs. Annie Whittaker  (1914 – 1921);

NOTES

5, High Street   [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]
9, High Street   [1901], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1921]

It was originally known as the BOARD.   [1873]

1901 Census

9, High Street
[4] Emily H. Satterthwaite (33), daughter, barmaid, born Bilston;
[7] Martha J. Satterthwaite (12), granddaughter, born Bilston:
1911 Census
9, High Street

[1] Arthur John Roden (43), compositor and licensed victualler, born Wagbeach, Shropshire;
[2] Harriett Roden (39), wife, assisting in the latter, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Caroline Palk (36), sister in law, assisting in the latter, born Wolverhampton;
[6] Annie Burgwin (18), general servant, born Bilston:

Application for removal of this license to the THREE CUPS INN beerhouse, Lanesfield, was granted on 7th March 1921.
It closed on 20th March 1921.

Demolished
ROYAL EXCHANGE

26, (25), (27), Chapel Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Jane Riley
Lucy Amelia Davies
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Isaac Riley [1861] – [1881]
Jane Riley [1883] – 1886;
Mrs. Lucy Amelia Davies (1886 – 1904);
William Butler Slater (1904 – 1905);
Theresa (Platt) Griffiths (1905 – 1912);
Alfred Blud (1912);
Sarah Peccey Hall (1912 – 1913);
Humphrey Willows (1913);
Charles Dickenson (1913 – 1914);
Samuel Morris (1914);
Henry Richard Adams (1914 – 1915);
Thomas Gateley (1915 – 1927);
David Cartwright (1927 – 1930);
John Knight (1930 – 1934);
George Scotto (1934 – [1940]
Kulwinder Singh Sahota [2005]

NOTES

25, Chapel Street [1861], [1865], [1881], [1891]
27, Chapel Street [1871]
26, Chapel Street [1904], [2005]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

25, Chapel Street – Beer House
[1] Isaac Riley (51), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Amelia Riley (40), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Lucy Riley (13), daughter, born Bilston:

Isaac Riley, beer retailer, 25, Chapel Street. [1865], [1868]

1871 Census

27, Chapel Street
[1] Isaac Riley (61), widower, retail brewer, born Bilston;
[2] Lucy Riley (23), daughter, born Bilston;
[3] Phoebe Brown (14), general servant, born Bilston:
1881 Census
25, Chapel Street
[1] Isaac Riley (71), widower, publican, born Bilston;
[2] Lucy A. Davies (32), daughter, housekeeper, born Bilston;
[4] Elizabeth Stubbs (21), general servant, born Bilston:

Jane Riley died in 1886.

Lucy Davies = Lucy Davis

1891 Census
25, Chapel Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE
[1] Lucy A. Davies (33), publican, born Bilston;
[3] Lizzie Haynes (23), visitor, schoolmistress, born Bilston:

Mrs. Lucy Davies, beer retailer, 25 Chapel Street. [1896]

1901 Census
Chapel Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE
[1] Lucy A. Davis (50), beer seller, born Bilston;
[2] Annie Meredith (14), domestic servant, born Bradley:

Mrs. Lucy Davies, beer retailer, 26, Chapel Street. [1904]

Theresa Platt married Thomas Griffiths on 1st February 1909.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A. [1946]

[2012]
ROYAL EXCHANGE

4, (57), Queen Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Edward Atkins, accountant, Wednesbury
Major George Cox, brewer, Bilston
Harmer and Co. Ltd.
Frank Myatt Ltd. (leased)
Frank Myatt Ltd. (acquired c. 1924)

LICENSEES

Thomas Jones [1871 – 1873];
Robert Hughes (1873 – 1878);
William Bardell (1878 – 1882);
Thomas Lloyd (1882 – 1883);
George King (1883 – 1884);
James Wright (1884 – 1892);
Ellen Wright (1892 – 1894);
Henry Richard Adams (1894 – 1905);
Arthur Taylor (1905 – 1906);
Albert William Pugh (1906);
Herbert Mounfield (1906 – 1907);
Clara Aston (1907 – 1908);
Joseph Hadley (1908 – 1909);
Henry Richard Adams (1909 – 1912);
Mary Jemima Bott (1912 – 1913);
George Priest (1913 – 1915);
Joseph Hadley (1915 – 1917);
Thomas Fellows (1917 – 1924);

NOTES

57, Queen Street [1871]
4, Queen Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
57, Queen Street
[1] Thomas Jones (26), bricklayer and publican, born Bilston;
[3] Maria Jones (8 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Maria Fleet (20), domestic servant, public house, born Red Hill, Worcestershire: [Stourbridge?]

James Wright died in 1892.
Henry Adams, beer retailer, 57, Queen Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
ROYAL EXCHANGE (Public House)
[1] Harry Adams (46), publican, born Sedgley;
[4] Edith Adams (8), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] Alice Adams (4 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[9] Florrie Heywood (19), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Henry Richard Adams, beer retailer, 4, Queen Street.  [1912]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 28th July 1924. Compensation of £1,600 was paid on 24th December 1924.
ROYAL EXCHANGE

35, (19), Salop Street, (Shropshire Row), (Hallfields), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Abraham Hazledine, iron worker, Scotland
John Leadbetter
Banks and Co., brewers, Wolverhampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1908]

LICENSEES

John Leadbetter [1868] – 1889);
Richard Roberts (1889 – 1899);
Mrs. Rachel Roberts (1899 – 1907);
Arthur Edward George (1907 – 1915);
John Henry Williams (1915 – 1918):

NOTES

19, Salop Street [1881], [1891], [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

*John Leadbetter = John Leadbeater*

*John Leadbeater, beer retailer, Salop Street, Hallfields. [1868]*

1871 Census
Salop Street
[1] John Leadbetter (43), publican, born Sedgley;
[4] Sarah Leadbetter (15), daughter, born Sedgley;
[5] Ann Leadbetter (14), daughter, born Sedgley;
[6] Naomi Leadbetter (11), daughter, born Sedgley:

1881 Census
19, Salop Street
[1] John Leadbetter (52), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Ann Leadbetter (49), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Wliza Pragg (23), general servant, born Bilston:
1891 Census
19, Salop Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE INN
[1] Richard Roberts (63), beerhouse keeper, born Lydbrook, Gloucestershire;
[2] Mary A. Roberts (64), wife, born Bilston;
[6] Mary A. Turner (14), general servant, born Bilston;
[7] Alfred Roberts (21), son, sheet turner, born West Bromwich:

Richard Roberts, beer retailer, 19, Salop Street. [1896]

1901 Census
19, Salop Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE
[1] Rachel Roberts (51), widow, beer retailer, born Bilston;
[3] Frederick T. Roberts (22), son, hauler for iron works, born Bilston;
[4] Ada Roberts (17), daughter, domestic servant, born Bilston;
[5] Eva M. Roberts (13), daughter, born Bilston:

Mrs. Rachel Roberts, beer retailer, 35, Salop Street, Bradley. [1904]

It was referred to Compensation Authority in February 1908.

Arthur Edward George, beer retailer, 35, Salop Street. [1912]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 3rd July 1918.
Compensation of £800 was paid on 21st December 1918.
ROYAL GEORGE

44, (92), Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Messrs. Lester, wine merchants, Bilston
William Appleby (acquired 23rd January 1878)
George Wilkinson and Co., brewers, Birmingham
Henry Plant and Sons [1896]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1904]

LICENSEES

Henry Plant [1873] – 1874);
Richard Harper (1874 – 1877);
William Appleby (1877 – 1878);
Matthew Moreton (1878);
William Pettifer (1878 – 1884);
Charles Paulton Plant (1884 – 1891);
Samuel Machin [1891]
George Lawrence (1891 – 1895);
William Maddocks (1895 – 1897);
James McNairnie (1897 – 1900);
George Tubb (1900 – 1910);
Charles James Webb (1910 – 1919);
Mrs. Mary Ann Dutton (1919 – [1940]

NOTES

92, Church Street [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1904]
44, Church Street [1901], [1911], [1916], [1921], [1932], [1940]

It was originally known as the BLACK BULLS HEAD
It was also known as the CAT.

1881 Census

92, Church Street
[2] Sarah A. Pettifer (36), wife, born Oldbury;
[4] Charles J. Pettifer (15), son, publican’s assistant, born Birmingham:

1891 Census

92, Church Street
[1] Samuel Machin (52), innkeeper, born Madeley, Shropshire;
[2] Mary Lewis (58), sister, widow, living on her own means, born Dawley, Shropshire;
[3] Elizabeth Machin (54), sister, living on her own means, born Dawley, Shropshire:
William Maddocks = William Maddock

1901 Census
44, Church Street – ROYAL GEORGE
[1] George Tubb (41), licensed victualler, born Gloucester;
[3] Mabel Shaw (23), stepdaughter, barmaid, born Gloucester;
[4] Lily Tubb (20), daughter, barmaid, born Gloucester:

1911 Census
44, Church Street
[1] Charles James Webb (36), publican, born Walsall;
[2] Mary Ann Webb (36), wife, married 4 years, born Walsall:

Closed
Demolished
ROYAL OAK

Ettingshall Road (20, (22), Ettingshall Lane), Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ann Fellows Owen
Mary Ann Lett, wife of Richard Lett, chartermaster, Bilston
Warren Lett
Clara Waller and Caroline Lett, 68, New Waverley Street, Stockton on Tees
Atkinsons Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mrs. Ann Fellows Owen  [1858] – 1874;
Mary Ann Baker  (1874 – 1876);
Richard Lett  (1876 – 1877);
Richard Owen  (1877 – 1879);
Richard Lett  (1879 – 1907);
Warren Lett  (1907 – 1916);
Caroline Lett  (1916 – 1918);
John Walker  (1918 – 1924);
James Plummer  (1924 – 1932);
John Sheffield  (1932 – 1935);
Charles Samuel Tedstill  (1935);
Ernest Albert Taylor  (1935 – [1938]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Ann F. Owen, beerhouse keeper, Ettingshall.  [1858]

1861 Census

Ettingshall Lane
[1] Ann F. Owen (51), widow, victualler, born Welshpool;
[4] Richard Owen (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Henry Wood (46), boarder, boatman, born Bilston:

Mrs. Ann Fellows Owen, beer retailer, Ettingshall.  [1865], [1868]

1871 Census

22, Ettingshall Lane
[1] Ann F. Owen (64), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[4] Harriet Hargett (17), general servant, born Bilston:

Ann Fellows Owen died on 10th August 1874.
1881 Census
20, Ettingshall Lane – ROYAL OAK
[1] Richard Lett (49), coal master employing 10 men and 2 boys, born Bilston;
[8] Sarah Lett (19), general servant, born Sedgley:

1891 Census
Ettingshall Road – ROYAL OAK
[1] Richard Lett (65), charter master, born Bilston;
[7] Sarah Blakewell (61), visitor, born Warwick:

1901 Census
3, Ettingshall Road
[1] Richard Lett (75), beerhouse landlord, blind, born Priestfield;

Richard Lett, beer retailer, Ettingshall Road. [1904]
He died in 1907.
ROYAL OAK

30, (31), (26), Hall Street, (74, (30), Hill Street), Hall Green, Upper Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Taylor, miner, Hallfields
Simon Paul
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd.

LICENSEES

Richard Talbot  [1845] – [1854]
John Elwell  [1851] ?
John Knight  [1861] – [1870].
Thomas Paul  [1873] – 1884;
Simon Paul  (1884 – 1929);
Daniel Paul  (1929 – 1931);
Ernest William Baxter  (1931 – 1933);
Joseph Andrews  (1933 – 1934);
George Harry Thomas  (1934 – 1938);
Samuel Thomas Stanley  (1938 – [ ]
Mrs. Lily Stanley  [1940]

NOTES

31, Hall Street  [1861], [1874], [1881], [1891]
26, Hall Street  [1873]
30, Hall Street  [1892]
30, Hill Street  [1896]
74, Hill Street  [1904], [1912], [1932], [1940]

Richard Talbot was also a shopkeeper.  [1845]

1861 Census
31, Hall Street – ROYAL OAK
[1] John Knight (46), victualler, born Herefordshire;
[2] Mary Knight (56), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] George Knight (16), son, cow boy, born Sedgley;
[4] Ann Caddick (16), general servant, born Sedgley:

1881 Census
31, Hall Street – ROYAL OAK
[1] Thomas Paul (41), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Eliza Paul (35), wife, born Sedgley;
[7] Elizabeth A. Paul (5), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley:
1891 Census
31, Hall Street – ROYAL OAK
[1] Simon Paul (46), publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Mary Paul (45), wife, born Tipton;
[3] Isaac Paul (23), son, insector under mines drainage company, born Sedgley;
[4] Samuel Paul (18), son, brewer, born Sedgley;
[5] Elizabeth Paul (16), daughter, born Sedgley;
[6] Daniel Paul (14), son, born Sedgley;
[7] Phoebe Paul (9), daughter, born Sedgley;
[8] Cecilia Lewington (15), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

1901 Census
Hill Street – ROYAL OAK
[1] Simon Paul (56), widower, publican, born Sedgley;
[3] Daniel Paul (23), son, brewer, born Sedgley;
[5] Sarah Whitehouse (16), domestic servant, born Sedgley:

Simon Paul was also a brewer. [1914], [1923]
He died on 13th October 1929.

A music license was granted on 3rd February 1928.

Daniel Paul was also a brewer. [1930]
ROYAL OAK

20, (74), High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Frederick Warren, pork butcher, Bilston
Ella Evans, Grendon, Bradmore, Wolverhampton
Harmer and Co. Ltd. (leased)

LICENSEES

Edwin Hooper [1873] – 1877);
Hannah Chambers (1877);
William Downes (1877 – 1878);
John Cross (1878 – 1880);
James Clarke (1880);
Elizabeth Nicholls (1880 – 1881);
Elizabeth Bromley (1881 – 1882);
William Henry Jones (1882 – 1895);
John ?? (1895);
Jesse Walsgrove (1895);
John ?? (1895);
George Frederick Coombs (1895 – 1896);
Harriet Messenger (1896 – 1905);
George Cox (1905);
Frederick John Burton (1905 – 1907);
William Haynes (1907 – 1909);
Bernard John Durnall (1909);
Henry Tertius Hodgkiss (1909 – 1910);
Mrs. Rose Hannah Taylor (1910 – 1914):

NOTES

74, High Street [1881]
20, High Street [1901], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

74, High Street
[1] Elizabeth Bromley (44), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Sedgley;
[3] Lizzie Bromley (16), daughter, born Moseley;
[4] Anne Bromley (11), daughter, scholar, born Moseley;
[5] Emily Bromley (8), daughter, scholar, born Moseley:

George Coombs, beer retailer, 74, High Street. [1896]
1901 Census
20, High Street – ROYAL OAK INN
[1] Thomas Messenger (50), coal hewer below ground, born Bilston;  
[3] Nellie Corley (20), general servant, born Bilston:

Rose Hannah Taylor = Rosannah Taylor

1911 Census
High Street – ROYAL OAK INN
[1] Rosannah Taylor (53), widow, business, own account, born Bilston;  
[4] Alice Taylor (22), daughter, domestic, born Bilston;  
[5] Agnes Taylor (13), niece, born Bilston;  
[6] Rosannah Jones (10), niece, born Bilston:

Mrs. Rose Hannah Taylor, beer retailer, 20, High Street.  [1912]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 29th July 1914.  
Compensation of £325 was paid on 28th December 1914.
ROYAL OAK

1, St. Lukes Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

J Holmes  [1858]
William Speakman  [1871]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

J. Holmes, beerhouse, 1, St. Lukes Street.  [1858]

1871 Census

1, St. Lukes Street – ROYAL OAK INN
[2] Margaret Speakman (49), wife, born Elsmore, Shropshire;
[4] Sampson Gerrard (47), boarder, miller, born Cubley, Derbyshire;
[5] William Gerrard (14), boarder, labourer in iron works, born Clifton, Derbyshire:
[Cubley is split into Great Cubley and Little Cubley and is about 5 miles S of Ashbourne.]
[Clifton is about 1 mile SW of Ashbourne.]
ROYAL OAK

84, (83), Salop Street, (83, Salop Row), (Shropshire Row), Bradley, (Hallfields), BILSTON

OWNERS

Benjamin Beebee, painter, Bilston
John Skidmore, licensed victualler, Highfields, Bilston
The Holt Brewery Co.
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp   (leased)

LICENSEES

James Clapperton  [1828] – [1830]
Cheavril Welsh  [1841] – [1842]
James Corradine  [1845] – [1851]
Ingram Morris   [1861]
Mrs. Elizabeth Pea  [1864] – [1870]
William Harris  [1872] – [1873];
Edward Lawley  (1873 – 1877);
Thomas Skidmore  (1877 – 1878);
George Skidmore  (1878 – 1881);
Jeremiah Skidmore  (1881 – 1885);
William Kettle   (1885 – 1887);
Emanuel Roberts  (1887 – 1889);
George Ward   (1889 – 1890);
Daniel Ecclestone   (1890 – 1895);
William Cotton Jnr.   (1895 – 1896);
William Bennett  (1896 – 1898);
George Robinson  (1898);
James Mockford  (1898 – 1899);
John Henry Walters   (1899);
Alfred Roberts   (1899 – 1900);
Samuel Cotton   (1900 – 1901);
Francis Hodge   (1901 – 1902);
William Thomas Arnold   (1902 – 1904);
Lewin Ellis   (1904 – 1911);
Samuel Joseph Salt  (1911 – 1913);
James Harris   [1912] ?
James Harris   (1913 – 1915);
Joseph Campion Churms   (1915 – 1918);
Joseph Harold Davis   (1918 – 1919);
Florence Davis   (1919 – 1921);
Frederick George Robinson   (1921 – 1922);
William Henry Westwood   (1922);
Frederick Whittingham   (1922 – 1923);
Henry Frederick Reynolds   (1923 – 1924);
Charles Edwin Pitchford   (1924 – 1925);
John Bayley Robinson   (1925 – 1928);
William Munslow George   (1928 – 1933);
Frank Albert Stanford   (1933 – [ ]);
NOTES

Shropshire Row [1828], [1833], [1850]
83, Salop Row [1861]
56, Salop Street [1871]
83, Salop Street [1881]
84, Salop Street [1901]

It was known locally as “The Long Pull”.

Ingram Morris, beer retailer, Bradley. [1861]

1861 Census
83, Salop Row – Public House
[1] Ingram Morris (40), victualler, born Ludlow;
[2] Elizabeth Morris (32), wife, born Princes End;
[3] Thomas Morris (14), son, born Salop Row;
[4] Sarah Morris (7), daughter, scholar, born Salop Row;
[7] Edward Morris (11), son, scholar, born Golds Green;
[8] Mary Morris (9), daughter, scholar, born Golds Green;
[10] Rachel Tait (16), domestic servant, born Hallfields:

Mrs. Elizabeth Pea, beer retailer, Bradley. [1868], [1870]

1881 Census
83, Salop Street – ROYAL OAK
[1] George Skidmore (30), licensed victualler, born Princes End;
[4] Sarah A. Ritchard (22), general servant, born Bilston:

Daniel Ecclestone = Daniel Eccleston

1901 Census
84, Salop Street
[1] Samuel Cotton (28), publican (manager), born Kingswinford;
[5] Mary Davis (20), general servant, born Sedgley:
Bilston and Willenhall Times 4/2/1928

“Mr. Harris made a similar application [for a music license] with regard to the ROYAL OAK INN, Bradley, with the addition of Sunday. At Bradley, he said, there was no form of entertainment on Sunday, and if the application was granted it would be greatly appreciated.

Superintendent Young objected to the license being extended to Sunday. Music in public houses on Sunday, he said, wanted cutting out.

The application for Sunday was refused, and a six-day license for singing was granted.”

[1950]
ROYAL OAK

Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

SADDLE AND STIRRUPS

121, (56), Oxford Street / Warwick Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Peck, sprit merchant, Coseley
Peck and Kerrison  [1896]
Georgiana Peck, widow, Coseley
Bent’s Brewery Co. Ltd.  [1900], [1904]

LICENSEES

William Peck  [1849] – [1858]
Thomas Rowley  [1861]
Philip H Fellows  [1864] – [1865]
Benjamin Fellows  [ ] – [1868];
Elisha Fellows  [1868] – [ ]  [Is this Eliza?]
Mrs. Eliza Fellows  [1868] – [1870]
John Buckley  [1871] – [1877];
Robert Hunt  [1877] – [1881];
Frank Bridgman  [1881] – [1886];
John Farmer  [1886] – [1889];
Samuel Hill  [1889];
John Silvester  [1889] – [1892];
William Pettifer  [1892];
Thomas Talbot  [1892] – [1909];
Alice Edwards  [1926];
Leonard Jeffries  [1926] – [1929];
Thomas Joseph Oakley  [1929];
George William Chilton  [1929] – [1931];
Jesse Hart  [1931] – [1933];
John Thomas Shelley  [1933] – [1937];
George Edward Large  [1937] – [1940]
G E Morgan  [1976]

NOTES

56, Oxford Street  [1861], [1864], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1884], [1891]
121, Oxford Street  [1940]

William Peck, spirit vaults, 56, Oxford Street.  [1858]

1861 Census

56, Oxford Street – SADDLE AND STIRRUPS
[1] Thomas Rowley (49), victualler, born Pattingham;
[3] Eliza Williams (39), sister in law, assistant, born Broseley, Shropshire;
[4] Mary A. Coller (24), general servant, born Coalport, Shropshire:

Thomas Rowley – see also WHEEL, Wolverhampton.
Philip H. Fellows was also an engineer, 73, Oxford Street.  [1864], [1865]

Benjamin Fellows died in 1868.

Elisha Fellows was the son of Benjamin.

1871 Census
56, Oxford Street
[1] John Buckley (55), innkeeper, born Brewood;
[2] Eliza Buckley (50), wife, born Willey, Shropshire;
[3] Thomas Boyer (60), brother, moulder, born Willey, Shropshire;
[4] Sarah Jones (19), general servant, born Wednesbury;
[Willey is about 5 miles NW of Bridgnorth.]

John Buckley was also a farmer of Summerford, Stafford Road.  [1874]

Frank Bridgman = Francis Bridgeman

1881 Census
56, Oxford Street
[1] Francis Bridgeman (35), publican, born Chaddesley, Worcestershire;
[5] Elizabeth Stinton (21), general servant, born Bromyard:

1891 Census
56, Oxford Street – SADDLE AND STIRRUP
[1] John Silvester (44), public house manager, born Bilston;
[2] Emma Silvester (44), wife, born Liverpool;
[4] Louisa Silvester (9), daughter, scholar, born Moxley;
[5] Thomas Silvester (7), son, scholar, born Moxley;
[6] George Silvester (6), son, scholar, born Moxley;
[7] Maria Wilks (20), domestic servant, born Darlaston:

1901 Census
Oxford Street – SADDLE AND STIRRUPS
[1] Thomas Talbot (52), widower, publican, born Wyrley, Staffordshire;
[2] Ernest Stride (22), nephew, brewer’s carter, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Sophia Stride (22), niece, born Sedgley:

A team from here took part in the Bilston Charity Darts League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A.  [1946]

[1982]

Closed
It became [1986] a grocery store.
SAMPSON AND LION

1, Green Croft, (Green Cross Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

Mary Ann Harris, widow, Bilston
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Hateley  [1828] – [1835]
William Howes  [1841] – [1858]
Maryann Howes  [1861]
William Williams  [1864] – [1865]
Mrs. Rebecca Williams  [1868] – [1872]
John Williams  [1871] – [1887];
Alfred Smith  (1887 – 1889);
William Sutley  (1889 – 1892);
Josephus Simpson  (1892 – 1894);
Thomas Tranter  (1894 – 1896);
John Bowen  (1896 – 1909);
Frances Eliza Goodwin  (1909 – 1911);
George Cresswell  (1911 – 1923);
Joseph Statham  (1923 – 1924):

NOTES

Joseph Hateley was also a shoeing and jobbing smith.  [1833]

1861 Census

1, Green Croft
[1] Maryann Howes (55), widow, victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Hately (27), stepdaughter, born Bilston;
[5] Mary Howes (13), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Susannah Schofield (14), general servant, born Hull:

William Williams was also a tea dealer.  [1864], [1865]
1871 Census
1, Greencroft – SAMPSON AND LION
[3] Clara Higgins (15), general servant, born Bilston:

John Williams married Catherine Shale.

Midland Counties Evening Express 4/3/1875
“On Tuesday evening the members of ‘Lilly of the Valley Lodge’ of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity, met at their lodge house, the SAMPSON AND LION INN, Greencroft, Bilston, for the purpose of acknowledging the valuable services rendered to the lodge by Host, Bro. John Williams, also Bros. Neale and Jones, for having introduced a large number of young members into the lodge during the past six months…..”

1881 Census
1, Green Croft – LION
[1] John Williams (36), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Catherine Williams (25), wife, born Cheadle, North Staffordshire;
[4] Lydia Lawley (21), general servant, born Sedgley:

Smethwick Telephone 12/7/1884
Miners meeting at the LION INN, Greencroft, Bilston.

1901 Census
1, Greencroft
[2] Elizabeth Bowen (36), wife, born Brierley Hill;
[6] Ida Bowen (1), daughter, born Bilston:

George Cresswell was fined £1 and costs, on 21st January 1916, for selling beer exceeding measure called for.

It closed on 8th February 1924.

Application for removal of license to the New SAMPSON AND LION was granted on 3rd March 1926.
SAMPSON AND LION

34, Newbolt Road, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1946]

LICENSEES

Robert Colling Robson  [1940]
R W Johnson   [1976]
Samantha Jeavons   [2005]

NOTES

The license was transferred from the old SAMPSON AND LION, Green Croft.

SAMSON AND LION

It was locally listed.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League.  [1946]  [2007]

Closed   [2011], [2012]
SEVEN STARS

24, (72), High Street / Dudley Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Ann Harper, widow, Queen Street, Wolverhampton
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd.
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Edward Beebee [1818] – [1822]
Thomas Busst [1828] – [1830]
Charles Gallimore [1833] – [1834]
Thomas Dickinson [1835] – 1874)
Hannah Bell (1874 – 1875)
Samuel Burrowes (1875 – 1880)
John Samuel Dickinson (1880 – 1882)
Francis Harper (1882 – 1886)
Frederick John Hibell (1886 – 1890)
Thomas Cook (1890 – 1891)
Thomas Dixon (1891 – 1895)
Henry Cox (1895 – 1896)
Benjamin Talbot (1896 – 1897)
Martha Horton (1897)
William Cox (1897 – 1898)
George Legge (1898)
Emily Jones (1898)
Thomas Harris (1898 – 1901)
Edward Jones (1901 – 1906)
Henry Herbert ‘Harry’ Nuttall (1906 – 1913)
Richard Stoker (1913)
Henry Tertius Hodgkiss (1913 – 1915)
Harry Blatherwick (1915 – 1916)
Charles Smith (1916 – 1917)
Thomas Newell (1917 – 1922)
Clarissa Price (1922)
Bertram Studley Nokes (1922 – 1925)
Harry Millington (1925 – 1927)
Phoebe Alice Wilkinson (1929 – 1934)
Bernard Arthur Wright (1934 – 1937)
Wilfred Edgar Bates (1937 – [1940]
Wally Davies []
Tarsem Lal Kainth [1983]
YE OLD SEVEN STARS
OLD SEVEN STARS
SEVEN STARS HOTEL

The original building was part of a farm.

Edward Beebee was also a stone mason.  [1818]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 10/2/1858
“Saturday evening some adroit pilferer contrived to abstract from the SEVEN STARS public house in High Street, Bilston, a cheese of prime quality weighing 30lbs.”

1861 Census
72, High Street
[1] Thomas Dickinson (70), widower, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
[2] Ellen Dickinson (15), granddaughter, house servant, born Stourbridge;
[3] Sarah Beardsmore (18), house servant, born Bilston;
[4] John Judd (37), lodger, hawker, born Tryson [9], Warwickshire:

Thomas Dickinson died in 1874.

1881 Census
72, High Street – SEVEN STARS INN
[1] John Dickinson (22), licensed victualler, born Stourbridge;
[2] Hannah Dickinson (28), sister, general servant, born Stourbridge:

1901 Census
24, High Street – SEVEN STARS INN
[1] Thomas Harris (28), licensed victualler and iron caster, born Bilston;
[2] Mary Ann Harris (27), wife, born Old Hill;
[4] Arthur Harris (8 months), son, born Bilston;
[5] Harriet Hayward (20), general servant, born Bradley:

A music license was granted on 6th February 1925.

It was rebuilt in 1934.

It closed in 1985.
It was converted into a shop.
SHAKESPEARE

Hall Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

George Bishton  [1835]
Joseph Taylor  [1841] – [1842]
George Davis  [1849] – [1850]
SHAKESPEARE

29, (8), (6), Market Street, (Newmarket Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

James Cremonimu, gentleman, Belle View Park, Whitmore Reans, Wolverhampton
Dr. William Larkin, physician and surgeon, Alice Street, Bilston
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp  (leased)
Johnson and Phipps

LICENSEES

John Shayshut  [1828] – [1830]
George Jellicoe  [1833] – [1834]
Richard Corbett  [1851]
Henry James Lester  [1851]
Samuel Glover  [1858] – [1861]
Thomas Leake  [1864] – [1865]
Mrs. Margaret Leake  [1868] – [1870]
Thomas Rogers  [1871] – [1874];
Richard Andrew Harper  (187 – )
Catherine Sturge  ( )
Matthew Ward  ( ) – 188;
Francis Harper  (188 – 188 );
Reuben Valentine  (188 – 1889);
George Anson  (1889 – 1905);
Samuel Watson  (1905 – 1906);
William Lloyd  (1906 – 1908);
Ernest Walter Gardom  (1908 – 1910);
Daniel Evans  (1910 – 1922);
Frank Thomas Parish  (1922 – 1923);
Frank Tophill  (1923 – 1924);
James Henry Clark  (1924 – 1930);
Edward John Cornforth  (1930 – 1938)
Frederick G Gleghorn  [1940]

NOTES

6, Market Street  [1858]
8, Market Street  [1872], [1873], [1874], [1896]
29, Market Street  [1916], [1932], [1940]

Richard Corbett was also a maltster and corn dealer.  [1851]

License renewal refused in October 1867 - “reconsider a new tenant.”
1871 Census
Market Street
[1] Thomas Rogers (34), licensed victualler, SHAKESPEARE INN, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Clara B. Rogers (2), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Jane Morgan (21), domestic servant, born Sedgley:

Reuben Valentine was married to Elizabeth.

1891 Census
Market Street – SHAKESPEARE INN
[1] George Anson (51), licensed victualler, born Tettenhall;
[2] Caroline Anson (46), wife, born Oaken, Staffordshire;
[3] Alice A. Anson (21), daughter, draper’s assistant, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Eleanor H. Anson (17), daughter, draper’s assistant, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Mary E. Anson (13), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
[8] Charles E. Anson (11), son, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[9] Lillian C, Anson (8), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
[10] Georgina D. Anson (5), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton:

1901 Census
Market Street – SHAKESPEARE HOTEL
[1] George Anson (61), licensed victualler, born Tettenhall;
[2] Caroline Anson (56), wife, born Codsall;
[6] Lilian C. Anson (18), daughter, school teacher, born Wolverhampton;
[8] George Cooper (67), visitor, carpenter, born Northampton:

Closed
It was demolished circa 1970.
SHAMROCK

91, (47–48), Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Harriet Dean, widow, Bilston
Samuel Ginder (?), The Hough, Stafford
J. R. Downes, Penn Brewery
J. Whitehouse, Greenfield House, Smethwick
Henry Chevalier Rigaud, 21, Regent Street, London

LICENSEES

Thomas Worlock (1873);
John William Waldron (1873);
Richard Shuttleworth (1873 – 1874);
Joseph Donoghue (1874);
Thomas Collins (1874 – 1876);
Stephen O’Connor (1876 – 1888);
William Kimberley (1888);
Richard Ball (1888 – 1889);
Richard Slater (1889);
Benjamin Powis (1889 – 1891);
Thomas Blockley (1891 – 1892);
Rachel Blockley (1892 – 1893)
John Blockley (1896 – 1899);
John Bowlby (1899);
George Powell (1899 – 190_);
Thomas Edmunds (190_ – 1901);
Sarah J Edmunds [1901] ?
Thomas Bayliss (1901 – 1903);
David Jones (1903 – 1904);
Emanuel Lavender (1904 – 1905);
William Chew (1905 – 1911);
Mrs. Rachel Roberts (1911 – 1913);
George Smith (1913 – 1916);

NOTES

47–48, Temple Street [1881], [1891]
91, Temple Street [1904], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.
**1881 Census**
47 and 48, Temple Street – SHAMROCK
1. Stephen O’Connor (46), innkeeper, born Ireland;
2. Ann O’Connor (36), wife, born Sedgley;
3. Stephen O’Connor (16), son, born Sedgley;
4. Bridget O’Connor (14), daughter, nurse, born Sedgley;
5. Agnes O’Connor (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
6. Clara O’Connor (4), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
7. William O’Connor (3), son, born Bilston;
8. Theresa M. O’Connor (3 months), daughter, born Bilston;
9. Catherine McNealy (20), domestic servant, born Madeley, Shropshire:

**1891 Census**
47+48, Temple Street – The SHAMROCK INN
1. Benjamin Powis (41), beerhouse keeper, born Hill Top, Staffordshire;
2. Emily Powis (44), wife, born Kidderminster;
3. Richard Powis (22), son, labourer in iron works, born West Bromwich;
4. Eliza Powis (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
5. Joseph Powis (15), son, born West Bromwich;
6. Harry Lane (21), lodger, labourer in iron works, born Kidderminster:

Thomas Blockley died intestate on 27th June 1892.
Rachel Blockley was convicted on 13th December 1893 for using unlawful measures.

John Blockley, beer retailer, 48, Temple Street, [1896]

**1901 Census**
Temple Street – SHAMROCK INN
1. Sarah J. Edmunds (37), publican, born Bilston;
2. Harriet Edmunds (15), daughter, born Bilston;
3. Thomas Edmunds (8), son, born Bilston;
4. May Edmunds (2), daughter, born Bilston:

David Jones, beer retailer, 91, Temple Street. [1904]

Mrs. Rachel Roberts, beer retailer, 91, Temple Street. [1912]

William Chew was fined £5 and costs, on 7th January 1916, for permitting a person to take intoxicating liquor from licensed premises during prohibited hours.
License refused by Compensation Authority on 8th July 1916.
Compensation of £400 was paid on 23rd December 1916.
Closed
Demolished
SHIP AND RAINBOW

42, (166), Oxford Street, (Oxford Road) / Queen Street, (Bow Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

William Jennings, builder, Bilston
John Henry Watkiss
The Manchester Brewery Co. Ltd.
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Emmanuel Jennings [1818] – [1851]
George Hyde [1851] – [1861]
Thomas Proud [1864] – [1867]
Mrs. Mary Proud [1868] – [1870]
James Blackburn [1871]
John Henry Watkiss [1872] – [1897];
Thomas Cook (1897 – 1902);
Stephen Allan Corbett (1902);
Albert Edmond Wells (1902 – 1905);
David Pittam (1905 – 1906);
Alfred Tennant (1906 – 1919);
John Harris (1919 – [1940]

NOTES

Bow Street [1822]
Oxford Road [1828]
166, Oxford Street [1858], [1861], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1891]
42, Oxford Street [1916], [1921], [1940]

Emanuel Jennings was also a caddy lock manufacturer. [1818]

George Hyde was also a coal pit shaft sinker. [1851]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 9/6/1858
“Mr. George Brown will sell by auction on the 11th day of June 1858…..
Lot 11 – All that old-licensed Freehold Public House, known as the SHIP AND RAINBOW INN, together with a Messuage adjoining, and the Stabling, Brewhouses and Outbuildings belonging thereto. 1250 square yards or thereabouts, occupied by Mr. Benjamin Cole, or his undertenants and producing £25 per annum.”
1861 Census
166, Oxford Street – SHIP AND RAINBOW
[1] George Hyde (47), miner and victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Sarah Hyde (44), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Selina Hyde (21), daughter, born Sedgley;
[5] Sara Ann Hyde (15), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley:

1871 Census
166, Oxford Street – SHIP AND RAINBOW
[1] James Blackburn (36), innkeeper, born Stafford;
[2] Sarah Blackburn (40), wife, born Garreg, Montgomeryshire;
[5] Alice Blackburn (8), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Emily Blackburn (5), daughter, born Bilston:

1881 Census
166, Oxford Street – SHIP AND RAINBOW INN
[2] Sarah Watkiss (40), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Lo___ Halsall Watkiss (15), daughter, born Moxley;
[5] Laura May Watkiss (2), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Susan Kate Guy (20), visitor, born Dawley, Shropshire;
[7] Phoebe Ann Johnson (29), domestic servant, born Tipton:

1891 Census
166, Oxford Street – SHIP AND RAINBOW
[2] Seraphine Watkiss (50), wife, born Bilston;
[6] Margaret Nock (18), domestic servant, born Darlaston:

John Henry Watkiss – see also OXFORD.

1901 Census
42, Oxford Street
[1] Thomas Cook (53), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Cook (52), wife, born Sedgley;
[5] Blanch Cook (14), daughter, barmaid, born Bilston;
[6] Lily Ashcroft (6), stepdaughter, born Sedgley;
[7] Eva E. Ashcroft (3), granddaughter, born Bilston:

A music license was granted on 3rd February 1928.

Closed
It was demolished circa 1970.
SHOULDER OF MUTTON

73, Hall Green Street, Bradley, (Daisy Bank), BILSTON

OWNERS

Joseph White
Colonel Charles Smith, brewer, Worcester Street, Wolverhampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph White   [1873] – 1874);
Thomas Hall   (1874 – 1876);
David Cooper    (1876 – 1897);
Samuel Tennant   (1897 – 1899);
Joseph Reynolds  (1899 – 1904);
Richard Davies  (1904 – 1913);
Joseph Campion Churms   (1913);
Albert Davies   (1913 – 1916);
Edwin Davies   (1916);
John Davies     (1916 – 1920);
John Henry Williams   (1920 – 1930);
Mrs. Florence Williams   (1930 – [1940]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was known locally as “The Fourpenny Shop”.

Richard Davies = Richard Davis

David Cooper, beer retailer, 73, Hall Green, Bradley.   [1896]

1901 Census

73, Hall Green Street
[1] Joseph Reynolds (31), packer at bedstead works, born Bradley;
[6] Mary Ann Mountford (19), domestic servant, born Bradley:

Joseph Reynolds, beer retailer, 73, Hall Green Street, Bradley.   [1904]

Richard Davies, beer retailer, 73, Hall Green Street.   [1912]

Albert Davies was also a brewer.

John Williams, beer retailer, 73, Hall Green Street.   [1921]
SIR HENRY NEWBOLT
45–47, High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS
J. D. Wetherspoon

LICENSEES
Stephen Craig  [2001]
Karen Leach  (2001 – []
Kirsty Bailey  [2005]

NOTES
The building was originally a cinema.

It opened in 2000.

Karen Leach – See also MOON UNDER WATER, Wolverhampton.

[2012]
**SOLDIER’S RETURN**

Brook Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

**LICENSEES**

James Purslow  [1841] – [1849]
Sophia Purslow  [1851]

**NOTES**

It had a beerhouse license.

*James Purslow* was born in 1778, in Bilston.  
He married *Sophia Lester* in November 1800.  
He joined the 1st. Grenadier Guards in 1798 and served in the Peninsular War.  He lost the sight of one eye at the Battle of Waterloo.  
He returned to Bilston in 1816.

*James Purslow*, beer retailer, Brook Street.  [1841], [1849]
SPREAD EAGLE

24, (19), Ladymoor Road, Ladymoor, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Corbett [1851]
Richard Sheldon [1851]
Richard Nickholds [1864] – [1870]
Richard Harper [1873]
Edward Jones [1874]
Enoch Smith [1892]
George Smith [1895]
Frederick Bill [1901]
Ernest Holcroft [1908] – [1940]
Len Jeffrey [post 1940]

NOTES

Richard Nickholds = Richard Nicholls

Wolverhampton Chronicle 19/7/1899
“Members and friends of Royal Perseverance Sick, Funeral and Dividend Society held annual dinner here.”

1901 Census

19, Ladymoor Road
[1] Frederick Bill (44), licensed victualler, born Moseley Village;
[4] Frederick Bill (4), son, born Staffordshire;
[5] Sarah Morris (62), mother in law, widow, born Broom, Worcestershire:

Frederick Bill – see also BRITISH OAK, Darlaston.

It closed in 1956.
Demolished
SPREAD EAGLE

37, (20), (5), Lichfield Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

George Hyde
Mary Ann Hyde
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp (leased)
Ansell Ltd.
Skittain Ales [1994]

LICENSEES

William Taylor [1818] – [1842]
Mrs. Mary Taylor [1845]
Samuel Glover [1849] – [1851]
George Hyde [1854] – 1877;
William and Richard Hyde (1877 – 1880);
Richard Hyde (1880 – 1896);
George Millard (1896 – 1911);
Arthur Edward Hewitt (1911 – 1912);
Harry William Matthews (1912 – 1924);
William Henry Ramsden (1924 – 1932);
Mrs. Elsie Ramsden (1932 – [1940]
E Fishlock [1961]
Edmund Harry Underwood [ ] – 1967);
Robert Victor Wright (1967 – 1968);
Fred Moseley (1968 – 1969);
Leslie Leonard Jones (1969 – 1972);
Roy Lawrence Graham Hallam (1972 – 1973);
Stewart Clive Mountford (1973 – 1975);
Allan James Dunn (1975 – 1976);
Gordon Simcox (1976);
Frederick William Lewis (1976 – 1980);
Lilian Maureen Ryan (1980 – 1991);

NOTES

5, Lichfield Street [1864], [1865], [1871], [1881], [1896], [1912], [1916]
20, Lichfield Street [1997]
37, Lichfield Street [2002], [2003]

It was situated opposite to the Town Hall.

SPREAD EAGLE HOTEL [1920]
1851 Census

Litchfield Street

[1] Samuel Glover (55), publican, born Broseley, Shropshire;
[3] Ebnor Brian (11), niece, scholar, born Glasgow;
[5] Jane Brown (21), servant, born Shropshire:

1861 Census

5, Lichfield Street – SPREAD EAGLE INN

[1] George Hyde (46), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[8] Harriet Potts (16), servant, born Bilston;
[9] Emma Windsor (17), servant, born Bilston:

George Hyde was also a tinplate worker of Lichfield Street. [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

5, Lichfield Street – SPREAD EAGLE

[1] George Hyde (56), licensed victualler employing one man, born Bilston;
[3] Richard Hyde (22), son, tin plate worker, born Bilston;
[6] Emma Roper (19), domestic servant, born Bilston:

William Hyde died on 17th November 1880.

1881 Census

5, Lichfield Street – SPREAD EAGLE

[1] Richard Hyde (32), publican, born Bilston;
[7] Eliza Hyde (4 months), niece, born Bilston;
[8] Lydia Jones (23), unmarried, sister in law, barmaid, born Bilston;
[9] Maria Smith (17), domestic servant, born Bilston:

George Hyde died on 5th August 1881.
1891 Census
Lichfield Street
[1] Richard Hyde (42), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[7] Eliza Hyde (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[10] Herbert Hyde (2 months), son, born Bilston;
[12] Mary Hale (20), general servant, born Gornal Wood:

1901 Census
Lichfield Street – SPREAD EAGLE
[1] George Millard (56), widower, licensed victualler, born Eversholt, Bedfordshire;
[4] Sarah Loydon (18), housemaid, born Bilston:

George Millard – see also BARREL VAULTS and LION.

Harry William Matthews sponsored Bilston United FC. [1920]

Plans for alterations were approved in February 1957.

[2010]

Closed [2011], [2012]
SPREAD EAGLE

Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Sheldon  [1861]
SQUIRREL

Lower Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Henry Piggott  [1868]
STAG
5, (1), Crown Street, BILSTON

OWNERS
William Pratt, grocer, Bilston
John Tart, grocer, Bilston
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES
James Busby  [1871 − 1874]
Mary Crump   [1873 − 1875];
Mrs. Elizabeth Busby (1875 − 1878);
Miss Annie Tilley (1878 − 1882);
William Morris (1882 − 1883);
Alfred Brown  (1883 − 1886);
James Harrison (1886 − 1887);
George Lavender (1887 − 1888);
William Spate  (1888 − 1890);
Albert Arthur Haycock (1890 − 1891);
Thomas Hunt  (1891 − 1892);
William King   (1892 − 1894);
Eugenie Ann Satterthwaite (1894 − 1895);
William Morris (1895 − 1907);
Mary Ann Elizabeth Morris (1907 − 1910):

NOTES
It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
Crown Street – The STAG INN
[1] James Busby (38), sheet iron roller, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Busby (40), wife, born Broseley, Shropshire:
[Broseley is part of Telford.]

Midland Counties Evening Express 23/12/1874
“Mr. James Busby, landlord of the STAG INN, Crown Street, Bilston, died suddenly on Sunday morning [20/12]
between seven and eight o’clock. Deceased was in his usual health on the previous night, and retired to bed about
half past eleven.”

1881 Census
1, Crown Street – STAG
[1] Annie Tilley (25), unmarried, publican, born Much Wenlock;
[2] Elizabeth Busby (61), aunt, widow, born Broseley, Shropshire;
[3] Emily Lloyd (16), general servant, born Bilston:
1901 Census
5, Crown Street
[2] Mary A. E. Morris (45), wife, born Much Wenlock;
[3] Annie Morris (17), daughter, pawnbroker’s assistant, born Bilston;
[5] Leonard Morris (10), son, born Bilston:

William Morris, beer retailer, Crown Street. [1904]

The license was surrendered in 1910, on the granting of an off beer license in Green Lanes, Bilston.

It closed on 2nd May 1910.
STAR

31, (15), Church Street, (15, Lichfield Street,), Swan Bank, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Blakemore
Sarah Blakemore
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd., Hall Park Brewery, Bilston
Eley's Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1946]

LICENSEES

John Conway  [1858]
Peter Rudge  [1861]
Augustus Weatherstone  [1865]
William Blakemore  [1868] – 1879);
Mrs. Sarah Blakemore  (1879 – 1893);
Major George Cox  (1893 – 1896);
Jane Fletcher  (1896 – 1899);
William Whitford  (1899);
Sarah Ann (Whitford) Deakin  (1899 – 1901);
William Harper  (1901 – 1926);
William Sydney Hyde  (1926 – 1936);
Alfred James Draisey  (1936 – [1946]

NOTES

15, Church Street  [1861], [1881]
15, Lichfield Street  [1871]
31, Church Street  [1901], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1940]
Lichfield Street  [1903]

It was originally called the LAMB.  [1861]

STAR VAULTS  [1912], [1916], [1921], [1940], [1946]

It had a beerhouse license.
John Conway, beerhouse keeper, 15, Church Street. [1858]

1861 Census
15, Church Street – LAMB
[1] Peter Rudge (32), beer seller, born Sedgley;
[3] Samuel Rudge (13), son, scholar, born Sedgley;
[4] Peter Rudge (10), son, scholar, born Sedgley;
[5] John Rudge (6), son, scholar, born Sedgley;
[8] Jane Rudge (11), daughter, nurse, born Sedgley;
[9] Nancy Parker (52), house servant, born Ro____ Wood, Shropshire:

Augustus Weatherstone, beer retailer, 15, Lichfield Street. [1865]

William Blakemore, beer retailer, 15, Church Street. [1868]

1871 Census
15, Lichfield Street – STAR
[1] William Blakemore (64), innkeeper, born Whiston, Staffordshire;
[2] Sarah Blakemore (48), wife, born Macclesfield;
[7] Emma Blakemore (12), daughter, scholar, born Whiston, Staffordshire;
[8] Mary Blakemore (11), daughter, scholar, born Whiston, Staffordshire;
[9] Henry Blakemore (8), son, scholar, born Whiston, Staffordshire;
[10] Edwin Blakemore (6), son, scholar, born Whiston, Staffordshire:
[Whiston is about 7 miles SE of Leek.]

William Blakemore died in 1879.

1881 Census
15, Church Street – STAR
[1] Sarah Blakemore (57), widow, publican, born Macclesfield;
[3] Henry Blakemore (18), son, clerk in iron works, born Bilston;
[4] Edwin Blakemore (16), son, waiter (public house), born Bilston:

1891 Census
Church Street
[1] Sarah Blakemore (67), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Macclesfield;
[5] Edwin Blakemore (26), son, brewer, born Whiston:

Major George Cox, beer retailer, 15, Church Street. [1896]

William Whitford died on 3rd May 1899.

Sarah Ann Whitford married Richard Deakin on 6th December 1900.
1901 Census
31, Church Street
[1] Richard Deakin (31), iron plate worker, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Ann Deakin (37), wife, licensed victualler, born Birmingham;
[7] Amy Beach (20), housemaid, born Birmingham:
[The licensing register gives Whitford as Sarah Ann's surname, and her previous husband's.]

A full license was confirmed in 1903. Removed from the BLACK HORSE.

A music license was granted on 3rd February 1928.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A. [1946]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 22/6/1946
“Charges of receiving a quantity of cigarettes, knowing them to have been stolen, were preferred against Alfred James Draisey, licensee of the STAR VAULTS, Swan Bank, Bilston, and his wife, Alice Draisey, at Bilston on Tuesday, when they were committed for trial at Staffordshire Assizes.

Mr. E. E. Brown outlined the case for the prosecution, and said that Draisey was alleged to have purchased a quantity of cigarettes from a man named Walter Kendrick, 24, Hickman Road, Bilston. Kendrick and his brother, Alfred, of 12, St. Johns Road, Darlaston, were last week committed for trial on charges of stealing cigarettes from the premises of Mrs. Griffiths, Wolverhampton Street, Bilston, and Mr. T. E. Pursehouse, Oxford Street, Bilston.

Mr. Brown went on to say that on a Sunday in April, a customer was told by Mr. Draisey that he had no cigarettes, whereupon Walter Kendrick, who was in the bar, said, ‘Do you want to buy some?’, and Draisey said, ‘Have you got some?’, and Kendrick replied, ‘Yes, I have got some here for another customer. You can have them if you like and I’ll get some more.’

A parcel was handed over and when opened was found to contain two cartons each containing 500 cigarettes. Draisey checked up the price from a bill which he had in the bar and said, ‘£3 19s 2d is the price’, but Kendrick said, ‘£3 15s 0d is all I want’, and this was the price paid over.

On a later date, May 3rd, to be exact, said Mr. Brown, Kendrick again called at the STAR VAULTS and asked Draisey if he wanted some more cigarettes. Later he brought 2,000, and was told to rake them into the kitchen, where Mrs. Draisey paid him.

Mr. Brown then read out a statement made to the police by Mrs. Draisey, in which she said she thought the man was in the cigarette business. He did not give any receipt for the money he received. She did not ask him who he was or anything. It was the first time since the beginning of the war that they had bought any cigarettes from anybody except their regular dealer.

Evidence was given by Mrs. Griffiths that her shop was broken into on the night of April 13th and cigarettes stolen, and Mr. Pursehouse said that on the night of May 1st 15,000 cigarettes were stolen from his lock-up shop.

Walter Kendrick was called to give evidence and said he went to Draisey’s public house on a Sunday morning with some cigarettes, which he had had from Mrs. Griffiths’s shop. After hearing a customer refused cigarettes he told Draisey that he had some cigarettes with him and he could have half. He eventually had the lot, and on looking at a price list, said, ‘They are £3 19s 2d.’ Witness said, ‘You can have them for £3 15s 0d’, and Draisey paid him that amount. He did not remember Draisey asking him where he had had the cigarettes from. He had been to the public house on two occasions since with cigarettes. On one of them Mrs. Draisey paid him for the cigarettes and remarked, ‘Do you want it keeping dark?’, and he replied. ‘Yes.’ These cigarettes which he sold had been taken from Mr. Pursehouse’s shop. He had not purchased any of the cigarettes which he had sold to Draisey.

Cross-examined by Mr. J. F. Bourke, for the defence, Kendrick said that when he was first approached by the police he denied stealing any cigarettes but after they found something at his house, he admitted the theft.

In answer to a further question he said he sold some cigarettes to a publican at Willenhall at something under retail price.
PS H. Willetts said that he interviewed Mrs. Draisey and after she had made a statement he told her it would appear that her husband had bought cigarettes that had been stolen and that it would have to be considered in that light. Cross-examined by Mr. Bourke witness said that of the 16,000 cigarettes alleged to have been stolen by Kendrick, 4,500 only were accounted for in the charges against the Draiseys, and 3,000 which were sold at Willenhall. Mr. Bourke submitted to the Bench that on the evidence offered he had no case to answer. The only evidence they had heard that incriminated the Draiseys was that of a thief. After retiring the Bench said that they had considered Mr. Bourke’s submission, but in their opinion there was a case to answer. Accused, who pleaded guilty, reserved their defence, and were committed to the Assizes for trial.”

_Bilston and Willenhall Times 6/7/1946_

“Arising out of transactions concerning the cigarettes which Kendrick admitted stealing, Alfred James Draisey (55)….. It was stated that Kendrick had given the impression that he was a tobacco dealer, and had the Draiseys known the cigarettes were stolen they would never have purchased them. Both the Draiseys had unblemished characters…..” [The charges against them were dismissed.]
STAR

155, (72), (72–73), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Amelia Best, widow, Sandhills, Walsall
Samuel Thompson, Oxford Street, Bilston
George Short, gentleman, 24, Park Road, Forest Hill, London
John Froggatt, manufacturer, Wellington Road, Bilston

LICENSEES

Samuel Thompson  [1873] – 1888);
Sarah Thompson  (1888 – 1902);
Alfred Evans  (1902 – 1903);
Joseph Colbourne  (1903);
Mrs. Martha Horton  (1903 – 1904);
Joseph Hall  (1904 – 1905);
Charles Rowland Hill  (1905);
Thomas Kelly  (1905 – 1906);
John Henry Tate  (1906 – 1907);
Daniel Paul  (1907 – 1908);
John Lewis  (1908 – 1909);
Bertha Lilian Griffin  (1909 – 1910);
John Simmons  (1910 – 1911);
Frederick John Thomas Caskew  (1911 – 1914);
Oscar Bradshaw Whitehouse  (1914):

NOTES

72–73, Oxford Street  [1881], [1891]
72, Oxford Street

It had a beerhouse license.

*Samuel Thompson was also a baker, grocer and provision dealer of 73, Oxford Street.  [1873]*

1881 Census

72+73, Oxford Street – STAR INN
[1] Samuel Thompson (48), grocer (master employing 4 servants), born Stourbridge;
[2] Sarah Thompson (46), wife, born Dudley;
[5] Charles Shaw (19), grocer and baker, born Quarry Bank;
[7] Annie Perks (20), domestic servant, born Warwick:
1891 Census
73+72, Oxford Street – STAR INN
[1] Samuel Thompson (58), grocer and baker and beer retailer, born Stourbridge;
[2] Sarah Thompson (56), wife, born Dudley;
[5] Emma Lillian Jonson (20), housemaid, born Bilston;
[6] Annie Powis (33), boarder, japanner polisher, born Bilston:

1901 Census
Oxford Street – STAR INN
[1] Samuel Thompson (69), shopkeeper, grocer and baker, born Stourbridge;
[2] Sarah Thompson (66), wife, publican, born Stourbridge;
[3] Arthur E. Thompson (26), son, grocer’s assistant, born Bilston:

Mrs. Martha Horton, beer retailer, 155, Oxford Street. [1904]

License refused by Compensation Authority on 29th July 1914.
Compensation of £360 was paid on 20th December 1914.
**STAR AND GARTER**

8, Lester Street, (Leicester Street), BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Thomas Waterhouse, solicitor, Sedgley
Charles Kidson
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Job Smith Lester  
[1865] – [1868]
Job Lester  [1871]
Charles Kidson  [1873] – 1889);
Edward Kidson  (1889 – 1900);
William Hardwick  (1900);
Mary Onions  (1900 – 1902);
James Edwin Potts  (1902);
John Owen  (1902 – 1906);
John Henry Williams  (1906 – 1908);
John Thomas Lloyd  (1908 – 1909);
Enoch Meese  (1909 – 1910);
Sarah Meese  (1910 – 1912);
Joseph Shaw  (1912 – 1921);

**NOTES**

It had a beerhouse license.

*Job Smith Lester*, beer retailer, 8, Lester Street.  [1865], [1868]

**1871 Census**

8, Lester Street

[1] *Job Lester* (44), beer retailer, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Lester (42), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Frank Lester (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Jessie Lester (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Mary Southall (20), domestic servant, born Bilston:
[Bickenhill is about 3 miles NE of Solihull.]
Charles Kidson was also a chartermaster. [1873]

1881 Census
Lester Street – STAR AND GARTER
[1] Charles Kidson (50), royalty master, born Bilston;
[2] Eliza Kidson (47), wife, born Willenhall;
[3] Charles Kidson (23), son, flour (?! maker, born Willenhall;
[6] Elizabeth Heath (16), niece, general servant, born Bilston;
[7] Mary Pritchard (15), general servant, born Bilston:

Evening Star 27/1/1882
“Michael Flinn, of Chapel Street, Bilston, was summoned for refusing to quit the licensed premises of the STAR AND GARTER INN, Leicester Street, belonging to Charles Kidson, on Saturday evening last.
The charge was proved by Police-constable Wilson, and the landlord.
Defendant had been convicted several times before and was now sentenced to one month’s imprisonment with hard labour.”

1891 Census
Lester Street – STAR AND GARTER INN
[1] Charles Kidson (61), colliery owner, born Bilston;
[2] Eliza Kidson (59), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Edward Kidson (30), son, widower, colliery manager, born Willenhall;
[5] Eliza Wilkes (16), born Bilston:

Edward Kidson was also a coal dealer, Lock Pits, Bradley Colliery.

Wolverhampton Chronicle 26/7/1899
“To be sold ….. by private treaty ….. by representatives of the late Charles Kitson ….. the well known full licensed freehold public house…..”

1901 Census
Lester Street – STAR AND GARTER
[2] Mary Onions (27), wife, publican manageress, born Wednesbury;
[3] Martha Slater (18), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

License refused by Compensation Authority on 24th July 1914
Compensation of £1,600 was paid on 24th December 1921.

Closed
Demolished
STAR AND GARTER

7, (4), (5), Salop Street, (Salop Row), Bradley, (Hallfields), BILSTON

OWNERS

Abraham Duffield
Thomas Wood
Matilda Wood
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Abraham Duffield  [1861] – 1875);
Thomas Johnson  (1875 – 1876);
Thomas Wood  (1876 – 1892);
Mrs. Matilda Wood  (1892 – 1907);
Thomas Wood  (1907 – 1913);
Andrew Gallantree Snr.  (1913 – 1936);
Andrew Gallantree Jnr.  (1936 – [1940]

NOTES

6, Salop Row   [1861]
5, Salop Street   [1881]
4, Salop Street   [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.

Abraham Duffield, beer retailer, Bradley.  [1861]

1861 Census
6, Salop Row
[1] Abraham Duffield (54), publican, deaf, born Bilston;
[2] Esther Duffield (38), wife, born Newport, Shropshire;
[3] Edward Duffield (20), son, born Bilston;
[4] Hannah Briscoe (17), servant:

Abraham Duffield, beer retailer, Salop Street, Bradley.  [1865]

1871 Census
Salop Street
[1] Abraham Duffield (64), publican, born Bilston;
[3] Fanny Westwood (15), servant, born Bilston:
1881 Census
5, Salop Street
[1] Thomas Wood (44), publican, born Pelsall;
[6] Elizabeth Mansell (17), general servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
4, Salop Street – STAR AND GARTER INN
[5] Annie Wilcox (20), servant, born Coseley:

Thomas Wood died on 22nd December 1892.

Mrs. Matilda Wood, beer retailer, Salop Street, Bradley. [1896]

1901 Census
Salop Street – STAR AND GARTER INN
[1] Matilda Wood (60), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Wednesbury;
[2] Kate Fellows (17), granddaughter, born Bilston;
[3] Annie Wild (20), general servant, born Sedgley:

Mrs. Matilda Wood, beer retailer, 7, Salop Street, Bradley. [1904]
She died in 1907.

Thomas Wood, beer retailer, 7, Salop Street, Bradley. [1912]

Andrew Gallantree Snr. died in 1936.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League. [1946]

[1950]
SWAN

59, (19), Bank Street, (19, Bilston Street), (19, Lord Street), (Queen Street), (Hallfields), (Upper Bradley), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mr. Brookes, forgeman, Smethwick
Mazilla Johnson, grocer, Hallfields, Bradley, Bilston
William Henry Taylor, Church Street, Bilston
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Brooks  [1841] – [1845]
Thomas Hall  [1851]
William Brooks  [1854]
William Griffiths  [1861] – [1865]
Richard Heighway  [1867] – [1871]  [1874]?
Richard Hughes  [ ] – [1873];
Joseph Strong  (1873 – 1874);
Daniel Eccleston  (1874 – 1881);
James Whitehouse  (1881 – 1883);
Samuel Johnson  (1883 – 1899);
Mrs. Catherine Johnson  (1899 – 1905);
George Johnson  (1905 – 1906);
Sarah Ann Johnson  (1906 – 1908);
Miss Elizabeth Johnson  (1908 – 1912);
Betsy Jeavons  (1912 – 1914);
George Edward Jeavons  (1914 – 1916);
John Fletcher  (1916 – 1923);
George Henry Shelley  (1923 – 1931);
Thomas Roderick  (1931 – 1936);
Thomas William Haynes  (1936 – [1940]

NOTES

Bilston Street  [1865], [1868]
Queen Street  [1873]
19, Lord Street
19, Bilston Street  [1871], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896]
19, Bank Street  [c. 1901]
59, Bank Street  [1904], [1911], [1921], [1940]

WHITE SWAN  [1851], [1870], [1872]
1871 Census
19, Bilston Street
[1] Richard Heighway (43), licensed victualler, born Broseley, Shropshire;
[2] Hannah Heighway (41), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah Heighway (18), daughter, born Bilston;
[8] James Heighway (9), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] Julia Heighway (8), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[11] Maud Heighway (3 months), daughter, born Bilston:
[Broseley is part of Telford.]
Catherine Johnson died on 17th December 1905.

George Johnson died on 1st August 1906.

1911 Census
59, Bank Street
[1] Elizabeth Johnson (25), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Bradley;
[2] Frederick Johnson (21), brother, licensed victualler, born Bradley;
[3] Maud Johnson (19), sister, assistant to licensed victualler, born Bradley:

1911-1912 Directory
“Home Brewed Ales.”

Teams from here took part in the Bradley Darts League. [1946]

[1950]
SWAN
Bradley Row, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
William Barnbrook  [ ] – 1875);
Thomas Jackson  (1875 – [1879]
**SWAN**

108, Church Street, (108, Hall Street), Swan Bank, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

**LICENSEES**

Richard Morgan  [1822]
John Lloyd  [1830] – [1850]
Mrs. Jane Lloyd  [1851] – [1861]
John Lloyd  [1864] – [1873]

**NOTES**

Hall Street  [1849], [1850], [1858], [1871]
108, Hall Street  [1861]
108, Church Street  [1868]

It was built in the 17th century.

**1861 Census**

108, Hall Street – SWAN INN
[1] Jane Lloyd (80), widow, licensed victualler, born Kingswinford;
[5] Jospeh Reeves (45), lodger, labourer, born Colchester:

**1871 Census**

Hall Street – SWAN INN
[1] John Lloyd (44), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Lucy P. Lloyd (3), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Sarah A. Griffin (16), general servant, born Worcestershire:

Closed
It was demolished before 1880.
SWAN

Cross Street, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Myatt  [1873] – [1874]
SWAN

84, High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Rhoda Maybury, widow, Hall Green
Edwin Hickman, quarry master, The Quarries, Bilston
Matthew Rhodes, brewer, Priestfield
Johnson and Phipps Ltd., Lichfield Street, Wolverhampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas James [1818]
T Tome [1822]
John Preston [1834]
Millard Thoms [1835]
Joseph Tomes [1841] – [1842]
George Harper* [1849] – [1850]
George Harpin* [1851]
William Ombler [1854]
Benjamin George Holton [1861] – [1865]
John Hollingsworth [1868] – [1879];
Thomas Legge (1879 – 1898);
Francis Rhodes (1898 – 1899);
Richard Tildesley (1899 – 1900);
Charles Fishburn (1900 – 1901);
James Doody (1901 – 1902);
James William Green (1902 – 1903);
Joseph Freeman (1903);
George Hassel (1903 – 1905);
Henry Richard Adams (1905 – 1906);
Charles William Garfield (1906);
Owen Michael Horan (1906 – 1907);
John Fellows (1907);
Thomas 'Tom' Robinson (1907 – 1926);
Bert Burrows (1926 – 1932);
John Albert Fantom Grainger (1932 – [1940]
Rosemary Frisby [2005]

NOTES

46, High Street [1871], [1896], [1900], [1904]
84, High Street [1901], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1936], [1940], [2003], [2006]

It was originally called GENERAL MOORE. [1818]
GENERAL SIR JOHN MOORE [1849], [1850], [1851], [1865], [1871], [1881]
SIR JOHN MOORE [1830], [1835], [1868], [1873], [1892], [1896]

It was known locally as “Tarpole’s”.
Boxing matches were held in an outbuilding at the rear of the pub.

* possibly the same person

1851 Census
High Street
[1] George Harpin (41), victualler, born Sedgley;
[3] Thomas Harpin (11), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Mary Smith (24), house servant, born Bilston:

1861 Census
High Street
[1] Benjamin Holton (38), victualler, born Tingewick, Buckinghamshire;
[3] Sarah Holton (7), daughter, born Coventry;
[5] Edith Jones (21), house servant, born Wednesbury;
[7] Edward Holland (40), boarder, clerk in spirit store, birthplace unknown:

1871 Census
46, High Street – GEN. SIR JOHN MORE
[1] John Hollingsworth (40), licensed victualler employing one assistant, born Cubley, Derbyshire;
[3] Sarah Whitehouse (16), domestic servant, born Tipton;
[Cubley is split into Great Cubley and Little Cubley and are about 5 miles S of Ashbourne.]

John Hollingsworth was also a wine and spirit merchant.

1881 Census
46, High Street – GENERAL SIR JOHN MOORE
[1] Thomas Legge (41), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Alice Legge (17), daughter, barmaid, born Bilston;
[4] Emily Legge (8), daughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
[5] Thomas Legge (11), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Fanny Legge (4), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] Edith Legge (2), daughter, born Bilston:

Thomas Legge was also a photographer of Walsall Street. [1892]

The name was altered to SWAN in the licensing register on 31st October 1892.

Thomas Legge was also a photographer of Walsall Street. [1896]

1901 Census
84, High Street
[1] Charles Fishburn (32), licensed victualler, born Henshaw, Yorkshire;
[2] Alice Fishburn (33), wife, born Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire:

James William Green was convicted on 7th October 1902 for permitting betting.

George Hassel = George Harcel
Thomas Robinson (1860 - 1927) was known as “Tar Pole”.

**1911 Census**
84, High Street
[1] Tom Robinson (50), license holder, born Netherton;
[2] Deborah Robinson (49), wife, married 26 years, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah Robinson (24), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Florrie Robinson (17), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Beatrice Robinson (12), daughter, school, born Bilston:

Bert Burrows was bantamweight boxing champion of the Midlands in 1912. He later became a boxing promoter.

It was refurbished in the early 1990’s.

[2012]
**SWAN**

1, John Street, New Village, Priestfield, (Ettingshall), BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Ann Holland, widow, New Village
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Thomas Holland  [1851] – [1865]
John Rogers        [1868] – [1870]
Thomas Wingfield  [1871] – 1876);
Richard Seden Tysoe (1876 – 1879);
John Tomlinson     (1879 – 1881);
Ezra Spittle       (1881 – 1892);
Ezra Thomas Spittle (1892 – 1905);
Thomas Powell      (1905 – 1913);
John William Eames  (1913 – 1915);
Harriet Elizabeth Eames  (1915 – 1929);
William Rowley     (1929 – [1938]

**NOTES**

New Village  [1851]

**1851 Census**

Ettingshall
[1] Thomas Holland (51), victualler, born Brewood, Staffordshire;
[4] Charles Beard (37), brother, iron foundry, born Shareshill, Staffordshire:

**1861 Census**

1, John Street – Public House
[1] Thomas Holland (61), victualler, born Brewood (Brewood), Staffordshire;
[2] Mary Holland (57), wife, born Shareshill, Staffordshire;
[3] Maria Wilkes (19), general servant, born Bilston;

**1871 Census**

1, John Street
[2] Sarah Wingfield (44), wife, born Clifton on Teme, Worcestershire;
[3] Sarah A. Wingfield (14), daughter, scholar, born Pensax, Worcestershire;
[4] Catherine Hills (16), domestic servant, born Gornall, Worcestershire:
 [Kempsey is about 4 miles S of Worcester.]
[Clifton upon Teme is about 10 miles NW of Worcester.]
[Pensax is about 6 miles WSW of Stourport.]
[Could Gornall be one of the West Midlands’ Gornals?]
**1881 Census**
John Street – SWAN INN

[2] Elizabeth Tomlinson (21), wife, born Barrow Hill, Derbyshire;

**Wednesbury Herald 22/4/1882**
“Mr. W. H. Phillips, Coroner, held an inquest at the SWAN INN, Priestfield, on Monday afternoon on the body of Thomas Bayliss (62), nursery seedsman and florist, of Pennfields, near Wolverhampton, who met with his death on the Great Western Railway, at Priestfield, on Saturday morning, under very melancholy circumstances.
Mr. W. H. Tinsley, of Sedgley, appeared for the relatives of the deceased, and Inspector Ledbrook watched the proceedings on behalf of the railway company.
Evidence was given as to the deceased passing over the level crossing at the station, the only means of reaching the centre platform, and to his being knocked down and run over by a fast goods train while standing in the four-foot. The only officials at the station were the stationmaster and a porter, and at the time of the accident there was only the porter on duty. During the past eleven years the stationmaster stated that no one had been killed, and he had always been able to work the station with one porter. Owning to many of the passengers having to cross the four sets of rails a foot-bridge would be very useful.
A verdict of Accidental death was returned, and the jury added a recommendation that the railway company should erect a foot-bridge over the lines, and always have two men on duty at the station.”

*Ezra Spittle* was married to Sarah Ann. She was from Dudley. She died in 1891.

*Ezra Thomas Spittle* was the son of Ezra and Sarah Ann.
He married Polly Stevenson of Florence House, Goldthorn Hill in 1893.
He was known as Thomas.

**1901 Census**
1, John Street – SWAN HOTEL

[1] Ezra Spittle (34), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Mary Spittle (34), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Cissy Spittle (6), daughter, born Bilston;
[5] Minnie Leek (20), domestic servant, born Bilston:

*Ezra Spittle,* beer retailer and general dealer of 122, John Street, New Village.  [1904]

Closed
Demolished
SWAN
Prestons Row, Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Thomas Radnall  [1841] – [1842]

NOTES
Check John Street.
SWAN
9, (13), Twenty House Row, Lower Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS
Lady Emily Foley, Stoke Edith, Herefordshire
Paul Foley, Prestwood, Stourbridge
Lady Bateman Scott, Great Barr
Thomas Marsh, colliery proprietor, Bradley, Bilston

LICENSEES
Thomas Wall   [1818] – [1850]
Ann Widow   [1861]
Ann Wall   [1864]
David Cooksey   [1864] – [1870]
John Myatt   [1871] – 1873);
Henry Cooper   (1873 – 1874);
Ann Cooper   (1874);
Thomas Barnbrook   (1874 – 1875);
Thomas Jackson   (1875 – 1880);
George Wellings   (1880 – 1883);
Thomas Barnbrook   (1883 – 1895);
Joseph Martin   (1895 – 1916);
Joseph Marsh   (1916);
George E Jeavons   [1916] (?)

NOTES
WHITE SWAN   [1864], [1868], [1870]

1861 Census
13, Twenty House Row – SWAN INN
[1] Ann Widow (65), widow, victualler, born Darlaston:

David Cooksey = David Cooksley

1871 Census
9, Twenty House Row
[2] Selina Myatt (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Sussane Myatt (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Lydia Myatt (4), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Fanny Reynolds (16), general servant, born Bradley;
[7] Elizabeth Moody (17), general servant, born Bradley:

Henry Cooper died in 1874.
Thomas Barnbrook was convicted on 4th September 1874 and on 16th October 1874 for permitting drunkenness.

1891 Census
9, Twenty House Row – SWAN INN
[1] Thomas Barnbrook (69), general labourer, born Dudley;
[2] Sarah Barnbrook (65), wife, born Tipton;
[5] Sarah Sorrow (16), general servant, born Sedgley:

Joseph Martin issued tokens from here.

1901 Census
Lower Bradley – SWAN INN
[1] Joseph Martin (41), publican, born Bilston;
[3] Philip Martin (13), son, born Brierley Hill;
[4] Esther Martin (11), daughter, born Brierley Hill;
[5] Joseph Martin (8), son, born Brierley Hill;
[6] Samuel Martin (6), son, born Brierley Hill;
[8] Frank Martin (1), son, born Bilston;
[9] Earnest Martin (1 month), son, born Bilston;
[10] Mary Harper (20), general servant, born Bilston;
[11] Clara Wilkes (13), general servant, born Bilston:

License refused at adjourned licensing meeting, on 10th March 1916, on the grounds of structural unsuitability.
An appeal was heard at Stafford Quarter Sessions.
[The result of this appeal is unknown at present. It is doubtful that it was successful, because there is no record of the house in the licensing register after 1916.]
SWAN BANK TAVERN

3-5, Lichfield Street, (3, (2), Church Street), Swan Bank, BILSTON

OWNERS

Frederick Warren, pork butcher, Bilston
Messrs. Banks and Co. Ltd., brewers, Wolverhampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Whitehead  [ ]
Jackie Fellows  [1820]
John Lloyd  [1828]
Sarah Jane Lloyd  [19th century]
William Jones  [1858]
David Jones  [1861]
Robert Broughton  [1865 – 1880];
John Wallett  (1880 – 1882);
Thomas Oadams Clews  (1882 – 1883);
Job Eccleston  (1883 – 1886);
Joseph Yeomans  (1886 – 1894);
Henry Nicholls  (1894 – 1895);
William Darbey  (1895 – 1910);
James Goodall  (1910 – 1913);
David Bragg Davis  (1913 – 1914);
James Goodall  (1914 – 1919);
Mabel Goodall  (1919 – 1920);
James Goodall  (1920 – 1939);
William Henry Venville  (1939 – [1940]
Jackie Anne Collins  [2005]

NOTES

Swan Bank  [1828]
2, Church Street  [1861], [1881]
3, Church Street  [1901], [1912], [1940]
3-5, Lichfield Street  [2003], [2005]

SWAN  [1828]
It was known locally as the “Blazing Stump”.
It had a beerhouse license.
Jackie Fellows was the town constable.  [1820]
William Jones, beerhouse keeper, 2, Church Street.  [1858]

1861 Census
2, Church Street – SWAN BANK TAVERN
[1] David Jones (42), shoe maker and beer seller, born West Bromwich;
[2] Sarah Jones (43), wife, born Ludlow;
[3] Kate Jones (16), daughter, servant, born West Bromwich;
[4] Ann Jones (14), daughter, servant, born West Bromwich;
[6] Sarah A. Jones (9), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
[9] David Jones (1), son, born Dudley:

Robert Broughton, beer retailer, 2, Church Street.  [1865], [1868]

1881 Census
2, Church Street – SWAN BANK TAVERN
[1] John Wallett (26), iron bedstead blacksmith, born Bilston;
[4] Martha Speakman (13), domestic servant, born Bilston:

William Darby = William Darby

William Darby, beer retailer, 2, Church Street.  [1896]

1901 Census
3, Church Street
[1] William Darby (37), beer retailer, born Bilston;
[2] Emma Darby (33), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Alice May Darby (6), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Emma Probert (15), general servant, born Bilston:

George (sic) Goodall, beer retailer, 3, Church Street.  [1912]
James Goodall, beer retailer, 3, Church Street.  [1916], [1921]

Full license transferred from the PIG AND WHISTLE, Sedgley on 8th April 1933.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Charity Darts League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A.  [1946]

[2008]

Closed  [2009], [2012]
SYDNEY VILLAGE INN
21, Wright Street, (Hallfields), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Humphries
Sarah Jane Fieldhouse

LICENSEES

John Humphries  [1871 – 1874];
Thomas Fieldhouse  (1874 – 1883);
Mrs. Susan Jane Fieldhouse  (1883 – [1904]
Richard Yeoman  [1940]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census
21, Wright Street – SYDNEY VILLAGE INN
[1] John Humphries (54), widower, sinker and publican, born Shropshire;
[2] Mary Ann Humphries (23), daughter, housekeeper, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah Humphries (18), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[4] Enoch Humphries (13), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Eliza Humphries (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] John Preston (41), visitor, boiler maker, born Bilston:

Thomas Fieldhouse died on 23rd November 1883.

Mrs. Susan Jane Fieldhouse, beer retailer, Wright Street, Bradley.  [1896], [1904]

1901 Census
21, Wright Street
[1] Susan J. Fieldhouse (54), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[2] Thomas Fieldhouse (30), son, mechanical engineer, born Princes End;
[3] John Fieldhouse (28), son, grocer’s assistant, born Bradley;
[4] George Fieldhouse (23), son, checker in works, born Bradley;
[5] Susan E. Fieldhouse (17), daughter, born Bradley;
[6] Emmie Thomas (23), general servant, born Great Bridge:

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division.  [1946]

[1956]
TALBOT

31, (11), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Richard Colbourne, gentleman, Halesowen
Miss L. J. Colbourne, Speedwell Road, Edgbaston
Jessica Louisa Taylor, Wych Elm, Compton Road, Wolverhampton
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Bradshaw [1841] – [1851]
Emma Bradshaw [1858]
Wright and Co. [1861]
Henry Stevens [1861] – [1870]
Mrs. Sarah Wilkes [1872] – 1879);
John Hands (1879 – 1880);
William George Dixon (1880);
Solomon Bryant (1880 – 1887);
Jethro Powderhill (1887 – 1891);
John Aston (1891 – 1892);
Joseph Edwards (1892 – 1893);
George Gwilt (1893);
Samuel Lloyd (1893 – 1894);
John Myatt (1894 – 1899);
Joseph Edwards [1896] [probably John Myatt]
Thomas Turvey (1899 – 1900);
Arthur Hinckley (1900 – 1901);
Sidney Arthur (1901);
Thomas Frederick Aston Ash (1901 – 1902);
Thomas Simpson Tunnicliffe (1902 – [1893];
Henry William Stanley [1893] – 1903);
Thomas Green (1903);
Richard Percy Phipps (1903 – 1911);
George Tubb (1911 – 1922);
William Arthur Williams (1922 – 1932);
Mrs. Sarah Jane (Williams) Lane (1932 – [1940]

NOTES

11, Oxford Street [1858], [1861], [1864], [1870], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1884], [1891], [1892], [1896]
31, Oxford Street [1904], [1912], [1916], [1940]

John Bradshaw was also a wine and spirit merchant. [1851]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 4/8/1858
“To be let, that excellent old-established liquor business The TALBOT, Oxford Street, Bilston. Rent and incoming
moderate. £250 to £300 may remain for 9 or 12 months on approved security…..”
1861 Census
11, Oxford Street
[1] Henry Stevens (30), publican, born Ludfield, Sussex;
[3] Mary Tart (7), niece, born Cirencester;
[4] Ellen Cook (21), general servant, born Oakengates [Oakengates], Shropshire:

John Hands = John Hand

1881 Census
11, Oxford Street – TALBOT INN
[1] Solomon Bryant (30), master mariner and licensed victualler, born Bristol;
[2] Emma Bryant (33), wife, born Birmingham;
[4] Mary Wall (21), general servant, born Bilston:

1891 Census
11, Oxford Street – TALBOT INN
[1] Jethro Powderhill (54), licensed victualler, born Winchcomb, Gloucestershire;
[2] Mary Powderhill (50), wife, born Dublin;
[3] Charlotte Powderhill (19), daughter, born Dublin;

1901 Census
31, Oxford Street
[1] Sydney Arthur (36), publican, born Walsall;
[3] Lynda A. Arthur (8), daughter, born Walsall;
[4] Nellie Arthur (7), daughter, born Walsall:

Richard Percy Phipps was fined £2 and costs, on 3rd July 1908, for permitting drunkenness. He was fined £5 and costs on 28th July 1911, for the same thing.

Sarah Jane Williams married Arthur Lane on 28th May 1936.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A. [1946]

Closed
Demolished
THREE CROWNS

Bridge Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Hall  [1861]
THREE CUPS

87, (3), Spring Road, Lanesfield, (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

Enoch Ward
Atkinsons Ltd.
Stephen Cole, coal merchant, Ettingshall
Joseph Ward

LICENSEES

Joseph Ward   [1873] – [1893];
Lucretia Fanny and Harriet Ward   [1893] – [1894];
Harriet (Ward) Rolinson   [1894] – [1901];
Henry Rolinson   [1901] – [1903];
James Alfred Deakin   [1903];
William Hindley   [1903] – [1904];
Aaron Deakin   [1904] – [1905];
David Lloyd   [1905] – [1906];
Alexander Paul   [1906] – [1908];
James Wolverson   [1908] – [1911];
Ernest Sidney Hentsch   [1911] – [1912];
George Hassell   [1912] – [1916];
Enoch Ward   [1916] – [1925];
William Hendley   [1925] – [1927];
William Thomas Hickman   [1927] – [1929];
Robert Victor Fisher   [1929] – [1930];
Howard Freeman   [1932] – [1937];
Mary Ann Mason   [1937] – [1938];
William Edmund Walker   [1938] – [ ];
Fred Owen   [1960’s];
J M Morgans   [1983];
NOTES

3, Spring Road   [1881]
87, Spring Road

1881 Census
3, Spring Road – THREE CUPS INN
[2] Lucretia Ward (56), wife, born Billington (?), Herefordshire;
[5] Lucretia Fanny Ward (12), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
[6] Harriet Ward (10), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley:

1891 Census
3, Spring Road
[4] Emma Griffiths (40), sister, unmarried, housekeeper, born Leintwardine, Herefordshire:

Joseph Ward died on 2nd September 1893.

Harriet Ward married James Henry Rolinson on 24th December 1894.

Enoch Ward brewed his own beer.

Black Country Bugle - Pub of the Month
“…..Arthur Dawes, train driver at Dudley Zoo, then told us about Enoch Ward, landlord of the THREE CUPS at Lanesfield. It seems that Enoch had a heart attack and was carried up to bed. The doctor was sent for, and after a cursory examination pronounced to Enoch’s daughter, Louise … ‘I’m afraid he’s dead, Miss Ward.’ Enoch rousled up and insisted … ‘I bate be jed yet’. To which his daughter, Louise, replied, ‘Shurrup an lie still, feyther, the doctor knows best’……”

It was rebuilt in 1921 on an adjacent site.

Robert Gibson was born c. 1970.

It had two darts teams, a pool team, and a Sunday football team.   [2008]

[2012]
THREE HORSESHOES

65, (28), Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Joseph Howell, greengrocer, Lichfield Street, Bilston
Richard Hyde, licensed victualler, Compton Road, Wolverhampton
Messrs. Millward Brothers, maltsters, Lea Brook, Wednesbury
Holt Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ansells Ltd.

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Bate [1858]
James Nash [1865] – [1868]
William Rogers [1871]
Thomas James Hall [ ] – 1873;
William Atwood (1873 – 1875);
Thomas Legg (1875 – 1879);
Lucy Legg (1879 – 1885);
Clara Howell (1885 – 1886);
William Bladon (1886 – 1888);
Sarah Hill (1888);
George Garratt (1888);
Ralph Smith (1888 – 1889);
Thomas Bernard Edwards (1889 – 1890);
Arthur Ray (1890 – 1891);
John Horton (1891 – 1892);
John Halford (1892 – 1894);
Jemima Done (1894 – 1895);
Joseph Allport (1895 – 1896);
Edward Palmer (1896 – 1897);
Stratford Harrie Callon (?) (1897 – 1898);
Richard Plumer Wilson (1898 – 1906);
Mrs. Eliza Wilson (1906 – 1913);
Mary Jemima Bott (1913 – 1914);
Charles Dickenson (1914);
George William Newbould (1914 – 1915);
Samuel Doughty (1915 – 1920);
William Roberts (1920);
Titus Horton (1920 – 1921);
Mrs. Hannah Wright (1921 – 1930);
John Plasher (1930 – 1933);
Mrs. Naomi Southall (1933 – 1940)
J Lines [1976]
NOTES

28, Oxford Street [1865], [1871], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896]
65, Oxford Street [1901], [1904], [1912], [1921], [1940]

It had a beerhouse license.

HORSE SHOES [1871]

Elizabeth Bate, beerhouse, 28, Oxford Street. [1858]

James Nash, beer retailer, 28, Oxford Street. [1865], [1868]

1871 Census
28, Oxford Street – HORSE SHOES INN
[1] William Rogers (58), locksmith and beer seller, born Shropshire;
[2] Mary Rogers (57), wife, born Kidderminster;
[3] Elizabeth Jones (23), daughter, born Willenhall;
[4] Emma Hall (19), daughter, born Willenhall;
[5] Edward Rogers (17), son, locksmith, born Willenhall;
[6] Mary Rogers (15), daughter, born Willenhall;
[8] Mary J. Jones (2), niece, born Bilston;
[9] Charles Hanson (36), boarder, cordwainer, born Bilston:

Thomas Legg died in 1879.

1881 Census
28, Oxford Street – THREE HORSE SHOES
[1] Lucy Legg (50), widow, publican, born Bilston;
[5] Sarah Jane Smith (12), niece, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] James Wedge (26), son in law, shearer in iron works, born Bilston;
[7] Lucy Wedge (23), daughter, wife, born Bilston:

1891 Census
28, Oxford Street – THREE HORSE SHOES
[1] John Horton (58), publican, born Tipton, lost one eye;
[3] Frank Horton (20), son, labourer in gas tube works, born Bilston;
[4] Benjamin Horton (18), son, labourer in gas tube works, born Bilston;
[6] Sarah Hunston (17), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Joseph Allport was convicted on 25th February 1896 for permitting gaming on licensed premises.
Richard Plumer Wilson was convicted on 8th February 1895 for permitting drunkenness.

1901 Census
65, Oxford Street

Richard Plumer Wilson died on 16th July 1906.

Mrs. Eliza Wilson, beer retailer, 65, Oxford Street. [1912]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Charity Darts League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]

[1983]

It closed before 1985.
It was demolished circa 1987.
THREE TUNS

55, (35), Bridge Street / Queen Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Shale
William Shale
Clara Shale
George Henry Harbach
Charles Darby, Dunkirk Brewery, Greets Green, West Bromwich
Darby’s Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Shale Snr. [1861] – 1896);
William Shale and Thomas Shale Jnr. (1896 – 1902);
William Shale (1902 – 1906);
Mrs. Clara Shale (1906 – 1914);
Clara Harbach (1914);
George Henry Harbach (1914 – 1926);
Thomas Leonard Moorwood (1926 – 1927);
Thomas Bailey (1927 – 1931);
John Harold Poynton (1931 – 1939);
Horace John Saxon (1939 – [1940]
A R Bennett [1983]

NOTES

35, Bridge Street [1864], [1865], [1870], [1871], [1873], [1881], [1892], [1901]
55, Bridge Street [1912], [1916], [1921]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 1/9/1858

“Mr. Waterhouse appeared to make application for a license for the THREE TUNS, Bridge Street, Bilston, kept by Mr. Thomas Shale. Mr. Waterhouse stated that the house was situated nearly opposite the works of Mr. David Jones. There were two or three other licensed houses in the same street, but the applicant’s premises were some distance off, and possessed much superior accommodation. There was no opposition. After some deliberation the Bench decided to postpone their decision until the adjourned day.”

1861 Census

Bridge Street
[1] Thomas Shale (43), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Shale (40), wife, born Willenhall;
[6] Prudence Beckett (17), house servant, born Willenhall:
Wednesbury Herald 28/8/1880

“On Monday night, Mr. W. H. Phillips (Coroner) held an inquest at the THREE TUNS INN, Bilston, on the body of James Crook (50), wheelwright, of Church Street, who was run over by a brake belonging to Mr. Riley of Wednesbury.

The evidence showed that on Saturday the workmen in the employ of Mr. Henry Smith, contractor, West Bromwich had been having a trip to Bridgnorth, and on returning through Bilston, about nine o’clock at night, the deceased was knocked down whilst crossing Oxford Street, and run over. He was removed home, but died a few minutes afterwards. It was admitted that he had had a quantity of beer during the evening, and the witness stated that he paid no attention when the driver called out to him. It was impossible for the driver to pull up in time to prevent the accident. A verdict of Accidental death was returned.”

1871 Census
35, Bridge Street
[1] Thomas Shale (53), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Shale (52), wife, born Willenhall;
[5] Eliza Jane Shale (15), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

1881 Census
35, Bridge Street – THREE TUNS INN
[2] Sarah Shale (60), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Thomas Shale (27), son, butcher (out of employ), born Bilston:

1891 Census
35, Bridge Street – THREE TUNS INN
[1] Thomas Shale (73), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Shale (69), wife, born Willenhall;
[4] Thomas Shale (37), son, butcher, born Bilston:

Thomas Shale Snr. died in 1896.

1901 Census
35, Bridge Street – THREE TUNS INN
[3] Thomas Shale (47), brother, licensed victualler, born Bilston:

Thomas Shale Jnr. died in 1902.

William Shale died on 18th June 1906.

George Harbach brewed here.

A team from here won the Bilston Comforts Fund Darts League in 1946.

Teams from here took part in the Bilston Crib League. [1946]

[1986]

Closed
Demolished [2007]
TIGER

Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edward Salt  [1845] – [1850]
TOWN HALL STORES

36, Church Street, (High Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

Edward Pearson, farmer, Oakengates
William Hanson Deakin, confectioner / licensee, Bilston
Major George Cox, brewer, Bilston
Harmer and Co. Ltd.
Atkinsons Brewery Ltd., Aston Park Brewery, Birmingham
Peter Walker and Co. Ltd., 81, Colmore Road, Birmingham

LICENSEES

James Joseph Darnell  [1873] – 1880);
William Hanson Deakin  (1880 – 1894);
Sarah Susannah Oliver  (1894 – 1896);
John Bennett  (1896 – 1897);
Sarah Susannah Bennett  (1897 – 1898);
William Charles Deakin  (1898 – 1899);
William Henry Dexter  (1899 – 1901);
Herbert Henry Goodwin  (1901);
Charles Beynon  (1901 – 1909);
Richard Henry Bennett  (1909 – 1910);
Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin  (1910 – 1912);
Richard Henry Bettelly  (1912 – [1938]

NOTES

It was known locally as “Betley’s”.

It had a beerhouse license.

Sarah Susannah Oliver married John Bennett.

Charles Beynon was married to Clara.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin, beer retailer, 36, Church Street.  [1912]

A music license was granted on 3rd March 1928.

It closed circa 1965
TRAVELLERS REST

Spring Vale Wharf, Millfields Road, (Union Street), (Catchems Corner), BILSTON

OWNERS

Samuel Sellman, timber merchant, Penn
Harriet Frances Sellman, Penn
Alice Westwood

LICENSEES

Isaac Bayliss [1861] – 1878);
Joseph Westwood (1878 – 1896);
Mrs. Jane (Westwood) Gough (1896 – 1906);
Miss Alice E Westwood (1906 – [1940]

NOTES

Union Street [1881]
Millfields Road [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

Isaac Bayliss = Isaac Baylis

1861 Census
Back of Mill Street – TRAVELLERS REST
[1] Isaac Baylis (46), publican, born Upton on Severn;
[2] Olivia Baylis (39), wife, born Upton on Severn;
[3] William James Baylis (18), son, no profession, born Upton on Severn;
[4] Fanny Baylis (20), daughter, born Upton on Severn;

1881 Census
Union Street – TRAVELLERS REST
[2] Sarah Westwood (54), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Joseph Westwood (23), son, schoolmaster (Board school), born Sedgley;
[5] Jane Westwood (18), daughter, born Millfields;
[6] Alice E. Westwood (13), daughter, scholar, born Millfields;
[7] Sarah Westwood (9), daughter, scholar, born Millfields;
[8] Ellen E. Westwood (12), daughter, scholar, born Millfields:

Jane Westwood married Mr. Gough in 1892.
1901 Census
Millfields Road
[5] Ellen Gough (10 months), daughter, born Bilston;
[6] Sarah Phillips (14), niece, born Bilston:

1911 Census
Millfields – TRAVELLERS REST
[1] Alice E. Westwood (43), unmarried, innkeeper, born Millfields;
[2] Ellen E. Westwood (42), sister, assistant, born Millfields;
[3] Sarah Westwood (39), sister, assistant, born Millfields;
[4] Alice M. Gough (18), niece, school, born Millfields:

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section A. [1946]
TRUMPET

58, (57a), High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Sarah Vaughan, beerhouse keeper, West Bromwich
William Fellows (acquired in 1861 for £160)
James Lawley, coal merchant (acquired in 1868 for £350)
Bruford and Co. Ltd., brewers, Wolverhampton [1888]
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd. (acquired in 1899 for £680)
William Swan
Alice Swan
Herbert Beach, furniture dealer, Thornbury, Wolverhampton Road, Bilston
James Hewitson, High Street, Bilston
Holdens Brewery Co. Ltd. (acquired in 1970)

LICENSEES

Joseph Fellows [1833] – [1851]
Mary Lester [1858]
Joseph Cross [1872]
William Fellows [?] – 1877) (?)
Joseph Grise [1873] – 1877)
James Lawley (1877) James Turner (1877 – 1879);
Benjamin Rhodes (1879 – 1880);
John Atkin (1880 – 1884)
Maria Atkin (1884 – 1891)
Thomas Edmunds (1891 – 1899);
William Hassell (1899 – 1900);
John Thomas Unitt (1900 – 1901);
William Edwards (1901 – 1902);
George Hassell (1902 – 1903);
James Breedon (1903);
William Swan (1903 – 1915);
Mrs. Alice Swan (1915 – 1929);
Arannah Charles Lewis (1929);
Bert Wilson (1929 – 1935);
Harry Porter (1935 – 1936);
Joseph James Llewelyn (1936 – 1937);
Lottie Rose Llewelyn (1937 – 1938);
Joseph Thomas Dilger (1938 – 1940)
Les Megson (1965 – 1983);
Ethel Megson (1983);
Anthony William ‘Tony’ Swinnerton (1983 – 1985);
Robert Francis Conway (1985 – 1990);
Catherine M Duffy (1990 – [ ]
Rob Clee (2000 – [ ]
Musti Bouameur [2008]
NOTES

It was originally called BUTCHERS ARMS
It was originally a butcher’s shop, slaughterhouse and stable converted by William Fellows. (?)

It was known locally as the “Trumpet”.

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Fellows, retail brewer, High Street. [1833]
Joseph Fellows, retailer of beer, High Street. [1835]
Joseph Fellows, beer retailer, High Street. [1849], [1850]

1851 Census

High Street
[1] Joseph Fellows (61), retail brewer, born Bilston;
[3] Fanny Fellows (16), house servant, born Belbroughton:

Mary Lester, beer retailer, 58, High Street. [1858]

Joseph Cross, beer retailer and butcher, 58, High Street. [1872]

Midland Counties Evening Express 29/5/1875
“The following are among the announcements of liquidations, by arrangement in last night’s Gazette … Joseph Cross, High Street, Bilston, beerhouse and eating house keeper. First meeting at the offices of Mr. Barnes, Mount Pleasant, Bilston, June 19th at 3.”

The name was changed to ROYAL EXCHANGE in 1877.

John Atkin was married to Maria.
He died on 14th January 1884.

1891 Census

High Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE
[1] Maria Atkins (sic) (56), widow, publican, born Ashton under Lyne, Lancashire;
[2] Richard Hawkins (50), boarder, widower, agent to British Worker, born Bilston;
[5] Thomas Hawkins (16), boarder, manufacturer’s clerk, born Wednesbury;
[7] Jane Glover (19), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

Thomas Edmunds, beer retailer, 57a, High Street. [1896]

1901 Census

High Street
[1] George Hassell (50), colliery engine driver and publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Mary Ann Hassell (50), wife, born Sedgley;
[4] George Hassell (22), son, engine driver (loco), born Sedgley;
[6] Edith Hassell (17), daughter, born Sedgley;
[7] Amelia Hassell (15), daughter, born Sedgley:
[George did not hold the license until 1902.]
William Swan died on 1st October 1915.

Harry Porter was fined £5 and special costs of £7 7s 0d, on 20th August 1935, for aiding and abetting to consume beer during prohibited hours.

Lottie Rose Llewelyn died on 28th January 1938.

Express And Star 2/4/1983

‘Jazz With The Landlord And A Half’

“…..which often sees bemused visitors wandering around Bilston High Street asking “Do you know a pub called the Trumpet?”.

When Les Megson took over the license of the ROYAL EXCHANGE in 1965 it had yet another name. BAD. Its reputation was so low that the pub couldn’t boast a single regular customer. Often a whole night would pass by without Les seeing a soul. With nothing to lose, he decided to enjoy himself in solitude as best he could. “I have been a jazz fan since the age of ten, and I had an old gramophone and a stack of records which I’d collected. It was nothing like the gear of today, there were no speakers or anything, but I just started to blast out the jazz.” Fortunately for Les, someone passing by heard some of his favourite music and popped into the pub for a drink, a listen and a chat. It was none other than pianist, jazzman and comedian Tommy Burton - and that chance meeting saw a change in the fortunes of the Trumpet ….. Before long, jazz fans from around Wolverhampton were packing the place out to hear a combination of Tommy, Les’s collection of jazz records, and occasional visits from other jazzmen in the area ….. Sadly for Bilston, and jazz fans everywhere, Les is retiring soon - but he’s leaving his pictures, the ceiling records, and 100 of his specially recorded tapes to his successor, Tony Swinnerton, his head barman, who has worked in the pub for the past 12 years…..”

A full license was granted on 7th January 1966.

Les Megson died.

The front of the building was replaced in 1988, due to rotting timbers.

Rob Clee was born in Bilston.
He was married to Julie.
The name was changed to the TRUMPET. [2006]

[2012]
**TURKS HEAD**

11, (6), (4), (5), High Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

John Caddick, gentleman, Handsworth
Colonel Tudor, Wolverhampton
Samuel Burrows
Belle and Co., brewers, Burton on Trent
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
Thomas Salt and Co. Ltd.
William Butlers and Co. Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Hannah Price [1818]
Thomas Nagington [1822] – [1830]
John Caddick [1841] – [1851]
William Stretton [1851]
Samuel King [1854]
George Reade [1861]
Thomas Leahy [1868] – [1870]
George Legg [1871] – 1876;
Richard Lell (1876 – 1877);
Thomas Heighway (1877 – 1881);
Samuel Burrows (1881 – 1897);
Nathan Ecclestone (1897 – 1898);
Arthur Wright (1898 – 1899);
Frank Torr (1899 – 1900);
George Davies (1900 – 1901);
Thomas Clark (1901 – 1902);
Samuel James Plimmer (1902 – 1911):

**NOTES**

5, High Street [1868], [1870], [1872]
4, High Street [1871], [1874], [1881]
6, High Street [1873], [1896], [1904]
11, High Street [1901]

It had a full license.

*Joseph Price and John Caddick both appear in the same Directory in 1841.*

*Thomas Leahy was fined 60s and costs for permitting drunkenness in June 1868.*
1871 Census
4, High Street – TURKS HEAD INN
[1] George Legg (45), master boiler maker employing 13 men and 2 boys, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Legg (28), wife, born Bilston;
[6] Sarah Legg (10), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Eleanor Legg (7), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[8] George Legg (4), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[9] James Legg (2), son, born Bilston:

1881 Census
4, High Street
[1] Thomas Heighway (66), publican, born Ironbridge, Shropshire;
[2] Sarah Heighway (60), wife, born Coseley;
[5] Sarah Ann Gough (15), general servant, born Deepfields:

1891 Census
High Street – TURKS HEAD
[1] Samuel Burrows (56), publican, born Brierley Hill;
[2] Sarah Burrows (49), wife, born Ettingshall;
[3] Emma Edwards (15), domestic servant, born Ladymoor:

It was put up for sale in January 1901.

George Davies = George Davis

1901 Census
11, High Street
[1] George Davis (38), publican manager for brewery, born Bilston;
[2] Harriet Davis (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Florence Davis (13), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] George Davis (6), son, born Bilston;
[6] Edith Bailey (19), domestic servant, born Bilston:

License refused by Compensation Authority on 6th July 1911.
Compensation of £400 was paid on 16th December 1911.
UNICORN

45, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Walter Plant and Co.  [1864] – [1865]
Walter Plant        [1868] – [1875]

NOTES

Walter Plant, spirit vaults, 45, Church Street.  [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census
45, Church Street – The UNICORN
[1] Mary Plant (28), housekeeper, born Birmingham;
[2] Ann Millward (23), barmaid, born Kidderminster;
[3] Thomas George (35) journeyman brewer, born West Bromwich:
UNION

68, (44) Coseley Road, (68, (67), (64), (44), Coseley Street), (Coseley Row), BILSTON

OWNERS

Joseph Mills, ironworker, Union Street, Bilston
Alfred Parish
Sarah Parish
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Hyde [1851]
Joseph Hatton [1854]
Richard Lloyd [1858] – [1870]
Thomas Haycock [1871] – [1873];
Mrs. Sarah Haycock (1873 – 1875);
Alfred Parrish (1875 – 1912);
Sarah Parrish (1912 – 1913);
William Ernest Tomkins (1913);
Thomas Billingham (1913 – 1934);
Frances Harriet Gill (1934 – 1938);
Albert Nathan Gill (1938);
William Brown (1938 – [1940]
Ron Drinkwater [] – 1985

NOTES

44, Coseley Street [1858], [1871]
Coseley Street [1868]
Coseley Row [1873]
44, Coseley Road [1896]
68, Coseley Street [1901]
68, Coseley Road [1912], [1916], [1932], [1940]
67, Coseley Street

UNION TAVERN
UNION INN [1851], [1868]

It was popular with pigeon fanciers.

Richard Lloyd, licensed victualler, Coseley Street. [1861]

1871 Census
44, Coseley Street – UNION INN
[1] Thomas Haycock (43), licensed victualler, born Claverley;
[2] Sarah Haycock (38), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Louisa Doyle (26), domestic servant, born Bilston;
[4] Deborah Higgs (8), niece, scholar, born Bilston:

Thomas Haycock died in 1873.
Alfred Parrish was born in 1833. He was married to Sarah. [Was this Sarah Haycock?] She died in 1913.

**1881 Census**
Coseley Street – UNION INN
[1] Alfred Parrish (36), innkeeper, born Netherton;
[2] Sarah Parrish (46), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Sarah E. Wedge (9), niece, scholar, born Chesterfield;
[6] Roland A. Wedge (1), visitor, born Featherstone, Yorkshire:

**1901 Census**
68, Coseley Street
[1] Alfred Parrish (57), publican, born Netherton;
[2] Sarah Parrish (67), wife, born Bilston:

Thomas Billingham was fined £1 and costs, on 28th April 1916, for selling beer exceeding the measure called for.

It had a boxing booth attached. [1930’s]

Thomas Billingham died in 1934.

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]

It was subject to a compulsory purchase order in August 1985 and April 1987. Closed
It was demolished circa 1988.
UNION

44, Union Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Lloyd  [1864] – [1865]

NOTES

Check Coseley Road
**UNION MILL**

1, Manor Road, (82, Parkfield Road), (Ettingshall lane), (22, Can Lane), Ettingshall, (Catchems Corner), BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Benjamin Baker  
Mary Whitehouse  
Henry Clark, beerhouse keeper, BOAT INN, Ettingshall  
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.  
Old Wolverhampton Brewery Ltd.  
Frank Myatt Ltd.  
Ansells Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

George Ward  [1818]  
Richard Baker  [1833]  
Edward Charles Baker  [1834]  
Edward Charles Baker  [1851]  
Edward Homer  [1851]  
Benjamin Homer Baker  [1854] – 1885;  
Mary Whitehouse  [1885 – 1887];  
Edward Baker  [1887 – 1891];  
Enoch Ward  [1891 – 1899];  
Frederick Mason  [1899 – 1901];  
Enoch Ward  [1901 – 1916];  
Mrs. Ellen Lloyd  [1916 – 1922];  
Thomas Henry Mason  [1922 – 1924];  
Ellen Lloyd  [1924 – 1927];  
Henry Herbert Nuttall  [1927 – 1929];  
Joseph Marriot  [1929];  
Frank Victor Price  [1929 – 1934];  
Ellen Lloyd  [1934 – [1938]

**NOTES**

Catchems Corner  [1828], [1830]  
Ettingshall Lane  [1833]  
82, Parkfield Road  [1871]  
1, Manor Road  [1901]  
Parkfield Road  [1931]

OLD UNION MILL  [1851]

*Richard Baker was also a stock locksmith.  [1833]*
1871 Census
82, Parkfield Road – UNION MILL INN
[1] Benjamin H. Baker (57), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Susannah Baker (59), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] Mary A. Walters (16), general servant, born Sedgley:

1881 Census
UNION INN
[1] Benjamin Homer Baker (67), widower, licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
[2] Mary Whitehouse (65), sister, widow, house keeper, born Sedgley;
[3] Harriet Hale (18), general servant, born Sedgley:

Benjamin Homer Baker died on 1st April 1885.

1901 Census
1, Manor Road
[1] Frederick Mason (40), licensed victualler, born Wednesfield;
[3] Emily Swann (24), stepdaughter, hotel waitress, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Norman T. Downing (6), stepson, born Wolverhampton:

[1982]
Closed
Demolished
VAULTS

5, (3), High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Mrs. Mary Bache [1858] – [1868]
David Jones Bache [1871]
Miss Mary Bache [1872] – [1873]
John Corbett [1881]

NOTES

3, High Street [1864], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1881]
5, High Street [1873]

Wine and spirit vaults [1864]

Mrs. Mary Bache, spirit vaults, 3, High Street. [1858], [1868]

1871 Census
3, High Street – Wine and Spirit Vaults
[1] David Jones Bache (73), widower, wine merchant employing 1 man, born Walsall;
[2] Mary Bache (70), unmarried, sister, annuitant, born Walsall;
[3] Mary Bache (29), niece, general servant, born Birmingham;
[4] Agnes Bache (33), niece, general servant, born Walsall;
[5] Alice Jeavons (17), general servant, born Tettenhall;
[6] Sarah Stanley (32), general servant, born Bilston:

Miss Mary Bache, spirit vaults, 3, High Street. [1872]

1881 Census
3, High Street
[1] John Corbett (58), licensed victualler, born Dawley, Shropshire;
[3] John Corbett (22), son, die sinker, born Wolverhampton;
[4] Mary Corbett (20), daughter, barmaid, born Wolverhampton;
[5] Matthew Corbett (18), son, barman, born Wolverhampton;
[7] Sarah Turner (27), niece, domestic servant, born Wolverhampton;
[8] Cecilia Linforth (3), granddaughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton:
VICTORIA

33, Wesley Street, Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Philemon Roberts
Elizabeth (Roberts) Fellows
Arthur Charles Kerrison
Peck and Kerrison  [1896]
Bent’s Brewery Co. Ltd.  [1904]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Bumford  [1864] – [1870]
Philemon Roberts  [1871] – 1873);
Elizabeth Roberts  (1873 – 1875);
William Roberts  [1874] (?);
Henry Fellows  (1875 – 1877);
Charles Clark  (1877 – 1878);
Edward Nicklin  (1878 – 1879);
Samuel Busby  (1879 – 1883);
William Henry Jennings  (1883);
Margaret Jackson Busby  (1883);
Arthur Charles Kerrison  (1883 – 1891);
James Robins  (1891 – 1898);
Tom Newbold  (1898);
James Robins  (1898 – 1899);
Henry Hewitt  (1899 – 1900);
Henry Morriss  (1900 – 1906);
John Bullus Beesley  (1906 – 1907);
William Herbert Chidley  (1907);
Thomas Kelly  (1907 – 1910);
Benjamin Thomas Waterhouse  (1910 – 1912);
Samuel James Plimmer  (1912 – 1913);
Alfred Davies  (1913 – 1915);
John Baker  (1915 – 1917);
William Joseph O’Brien  (1917 – 1920);
Mrs. Louisa O’Brien  (1920 – 1932);
Charles Thomas Laight  (1932 – 1934);
Mary Ann Laight  (1934 – 1935);
Harold Hinton  (1935 – 1938);
Archibald Claude Hartill  (1938 – [1940]
William Tuft  [ ] – 1953);
Hinton  (1953 – [ ]
NOTES

It was known locally as “Tufty’s” or “The Stores”

_Dudley Herald 27/6/1868_
“John Bumford, licensed victualler, VICTORIA INN, Wesley Street, Bradley ….. found guilty of beating his wife…..”
[He had already served 3 months for beating his former wife.]

_Philemon Roberts = Phileman Roberts_

_1871 Census_
33, Wesley Street
[1] Philemon Roberts (36), victualler and corn dealer, born Tipton;
[2] Elizabeth Roberts (37), wife, born Darlaston;
[3] Amelia Roberts (11), daughter, scholar, born Darlaston;
[4] Elizabeth Roberts (6), daughter, scholar, born Darlaston;
[5] Catherine Roberts (4), daughter, scholar, born Darlaston;
[7] Elizabeth Lane (19), general servant, born Sedgley;
[8] John Watkiss (20), wagoner, born Bobbington:

_Dudley Herald 27/1/1877_
“Notice is hereby given that all creditors ….. the estate of Philemon Roberts, late of Bradley ….. licensed victualler and corn factor, deceased, who died on the 12th day of May 1873…..”

Elizabth Roberts was married to Henry Fellows.

_Midland Counties Evening Express 23/2/1875_
“Elizabeth Roberts, VICTORIA INN, Bradley, was summoned for permitting gaming in her house on the 30th January…..”
- She was given a warning.

_Dudley Herald 27/1/1877_
“Notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of Elizabeth Fellows, late of the VICTORIA INN, Bradley, near Bilston ….. deceased (who died on the 17th day of November 1876, and of whose personal estate Letters of Administration have been granted to Henry Fellows of Bradley…..”

_Henry Fellows = Henry Fellowes_

_Midland Counties Evening Express 7/1/1878_
“General servant wanted – Apply VICTORIA INN, Wesley Street, Bradley, near Bilston.”

_1891 Census_
33, Wesley Street
[1] James Robins (54), coal miner, born Walsall;
[4] Lizzie Dyer (18), servant, born Bilston;
[5] Violet Lees (5), granddaughter, born Willenhall:
**Black Country Bugle (June 1988)**

“.....Nevertheless regulars at the Stores (the VICTORIA INN) ..... during the 1920’s were quite used to seeing a duck waddling between the bar stools ..... This feathered friend was a pet of ‘Letty’ Gittings who lived at the pub ..... Her son, Frank, was born at the pub in 1910 ..... Frank, his mother Letty and his grandmother *Louisa O’Brien* all lived at the Stores.”

*Charles Thomas Laight* died in 1934.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League.  [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, Second Division.  [1946]

It closed in the early 1960’s.  ?
It was demolished circa 1970.
VILLIERS ARMS

Villiers Avenue, (Villiers Square), BILSTON

OWNERS

William Butler and Co. Ltd.   [1946]
Enterprise Inns
John Denston   (acquired in 2009)

LICENSEES

William Moakler   (1926 – 1939);
James Goodall   (1939 – [1940]
Mabel Goodall   [ ]
Sharon Dickens   [2005]
Wayne Dickens   [2009]   manager

NOTES

Villiers Square   [1990], [2009]
Villiers Avenue

It was locally listed.

The license was transferred from the WELLINGTON, Price Street, on 3rd December 1926.

A music and dancing license was granted on 4th February 1927.

Dance classes were held here, under the tuition of a Miss Sadler, in the 1930’s.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League.   [1946]

A man was stabbed outside here in January 2009.

Closed   [2009]
It reopened in 2010.

[2012]
VINE
34, (32), (92), John Street, New Village, (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS
Richard Millington
Thomas Edwin Millington
Matthew Rhodes
Atkinsons Ltd.

LICENSEES
Richard Millington [1858 – 1883];
Eliza Millington (1883 – 1886);
Thomas Edwin Millington (1886 – 1890);
Matthew Rhodes (1890 – 1898);
William Askew (1898);
Samuel Beebee (1898 – 1925);
Elizabeth Beebee (1925 – 1929);
John William Beebee (1929 – [1938]

NOTES
92, John Street [1861], [1881]
32, John Street [1871]
34, John Street [1901], [1904], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

Richard Millington, beer retailer, John Street, New Village. [1858], [1868], [1870]

1861 Census
92, John Street
[1] Richard Millington (48), publican, born Ettingshall;
[2] Eliza Millington (45), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Isaac Millington (21), son, agent to engine master, born Bilston;
[4] Eliza Millington (18), daughter, assistant house keeper, born Bilston;
[5] Thomas Millington (11), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Alice Millington (9), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Mary Jane Millington (6), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

Richard Millington, beer retailer, New Village. [1865]

1871 Census
32, John Street, New Village – VINE INN
[1] Richard Millington (56), publican, born Sedgley;
[2] Eliza Millington (52), housewife, born Bilston;
[3] Thomas Millington (21), son, clerk at iron works, born Bilston;
[4] Mary J. Millington (16), daughter, dress maker, born Bilston:
Richard Millington, beer retailer, John Street, New Village, Ettingshall. [1872] He died in 1883.

1881 Census
92, John Street – The VINE
[1] Richard Millington (67), beer seller, born Sedgley;
[2] Eliza Millington (64), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Anna Steventon (15), domestic servant, born Bilston:

Eliza Millington died on 5th April 1886.

1901 Census
34, John Street
[1] Samuel Beebee (49), beerhouse keeper, born Priestfield;
[2] Elizabeth Beebee (49), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Samuel Beebee (28), son, moulder, ironworks, born Priestfield;

Samuel Beebee, beer retailer, 34, John Street. [1904], [1912]

A billiard license was granted on 5th February 1918.

A music license was granted on 2nd February 1928.

It closed in 1956.
Demolished
VINE

16, (4), Vine Street, (Market Street), BILSTON

OWNERS

Thomas Johnson, beerhouse keeper, Tipton
Richard Hyde
Samuel Woodhall, brewer, West Bromwich
J. A. and A. Thompson Ltd., maltsters, Orchard Street, Oldbury

LICENSEES

Timothy Brookes  
[1828] – [1845]
Thomas Howl  
[1849] – [1854]
J McMahon  
[1858]
Henry Jones  
[1864] – [1865]
Noah Barker  
[1868] – [1870]
George Buckley Myatt  
[1871] – [1878];
Mrs. Elizabeth Myatt  
(1878 – 1884);
Richard Hyde  
(1884 – 1895);
Frank Torr  
(1895 – 1899);
David Benton  
(1899);
George J Wells  
(1899 – 1901);
George Henry Lawrence  
(1901 – 1911);
Mrs. Maria Louise Lawrence  
(1911 – 1922);
Thomas Roberts  
(1922 – 1923);
Lily Selina Roberts  
(1923 – 1935);
Clara Corey  
(1935 – 1937);
William Harold Chamberlain  
(1937 – [1940]

NOTES

Market Street  
[1828], [1830], [1833], [1834], [1835], [1842]
4, Vine Street  
[1871], [1881]
16, Vine Street  
[1901]

Timothy Brookes = Timothy Brooks

1871 Census
4, Vine Street – VINE INN

[1] George Buckley Myatt (42), innkeeper, born Burslem;
[2] Elizabeth Myatt (44), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Emma Myatt (20), daughter, born Burslem;
[4] Jane Hampstones (15), general servant, born Mewstbury [Maesbury?], Shropshire:

1881 Census
Vine Street – VINE INN

[1] Elizabeth Myatt (54), widow, licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Emma Lester (30), daughter, born Burslem;
[3] Mary Carline (20), general domestic servant, born Princes End:
1891 Census
Vine Street – VINE INN
[1] Richard Hyde (37), licensed victualler, born Ettingshall;
[4] Sidney W. Hyde (6), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] Ester Tort (17), domestic servant, born Daisy Bank:

George Henry Lawrence married Maria Louisa Cartwright, daughter of Charles Cartwright, of the WHITE SWAN, Wednesbury, on 1st May 1901.

George Wells was convicted on 2nd November 1900 for permitting drunkenness.

1901 Census
16, Vine Street – VINE INN
[1] George J. Wells (38), licensed victualler, born Deptford, London;
[2] Rose Wells (39), wife, born Worcester;
[5] Percy J. Wells (11), son, born Old Kent Road, London;
[8] Albert T. Wells (2 months), son, born Bilston;
[10] Elizabeth Harvey (18), domestic servant, born Bilston:

A team from here took part in the Bilston Crib League, Section B. [1946]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 6/7/1946
“When William Ernest Webb (24), 22, Wood Street, Bilston, lost his temper in a public house and smashed a glass because he was refused drink, it was the means of him being sent to gaol for two months.

At Bilston on Tuesday, he was summoned for doing damage to a pint glass, and Mr. S. W. Smith, who prosecuted, said that Webb was in the VINE INN, Vine Street, Bilston, on June 24th, and had had several drinks. Shortly before 10pm the landlord placed a towel over the beer pulls and Webb went to the counter and asked for a bottle of stout. The landlord told him he had finished serving, whereupon Webb threw a pint glass into the air, smashing it, at the same time remarking, ‘That’s what I think of you and your _____ beer.’ Mr. Smith added that while the wrecking of the glass might be a small thing in itself, it meant a great deal when in a public house. If people were allowed to act like this, how could the licensees do their duty.

In announcing the sentence, the chairman (Mr. W. R. Mobberley) told Webb that his record was none too good.”

Closed
It was demolished circa 1965.
WAGGON AND HORSES

22, Millfields Road, (22, Mill Street), Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

Peck and Kerrison  [1892], [1896]
Bent’s Brewery Co. Ltd.  [1904], [1912]

LICENSEES

John Hayward  [1854]
George Hill  [1868] – [1870]
Thomas Wildman  [1872] – 1874);
Mrs. Jane Wildman  (1874 – 1875);
Joseph Smith  (1875 – 18__);
John Walker  [1881] (18__ – 1913);
John Walker  (1913 – 1917);  
Alice Walker  (1917 – 1919);
James Nicholls  (1919 – 1922);
Thomas Green  (1922 – [1938]

NOTES

22, Mill Street  [1881], [1901]
22, Millfields Road

George Hill = George Hall

Thomas Wildman was also a shopkeeper.  [1872]
He died in 1874.

1881 Census

22, Mill Street – WAGGON AND HORSES
[1] John Walker (34), blacksmith and licensed victualler, born Bonehill, Staffordshire;
[3] Samuel Walker (9), son, scholar, born Bonehill, Staffordshire;
[6] John Walker (1), son, born Bilston:
1891 Census
22, Mill Street – WAGGON AND HORSES Public House
[1] John Walker (45), public house manager, born Fazeley, Staffordshire;
[2] Emma Walker (43), wife, born Brownston, Northamptonshire;
[5] Emily J. Walker (14), daughter, scholar, born Heath Town;
[7] Fanny Walker (9), daughter, scholar, born Ettingshall;
[8] Fred Walker (6), son, scholar, born Ettingshall;
[9] Lilian Walker (4), daughter, born Ettingshall;
[10] Arthur Walker (1), son, born Ettingshall:

1901 Census
22, Mill Street
[1] John Walker (55), publican, born Fazeley, Staffordshire;
[3] Samuel Walker (29), son, engine fitter, born Fazeley, Staffordshire;
[7] Fred Walker (16), son, commercial clerk, born Sedgley;
[8] Lillian Walker (14), daughter, born Sedgley;
[9] Arthur Walker (11), son, born Sedgley:
WAGGON AND HORSES

147, (67–68), (67), (68), Oxford Street, (Oxford Road), New Town, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Poole Tomkys
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1904], [1946]

LICENSEES

James Walters [1818] – [1830]
Isaac Pitt [1833] – [1834]
John Webb [1835]
Edward Millington [1841] – [1842]
Mrs. Maria Thompson [1849] – [1858]
William Poole Tomkys [1861] – [1865]
William Cook [1868] – [1872]
William Poole Tomkys [1874] – [1877];
Patrick Clines (1877 – 1882);
Frederick William Plant (1882 – 1891);
George Walker (1891 – 1918);
Frederick Dudley (1918 – 1919);
James Duggan (1919 – 1925);
Samuel Farrington (1925 – 1928);
Henry Newick (1928 – 1929);
William George Tudor (1929 – 1931);
James Hall (1931 – [1940)

NOTES

Oxford Road, Newtown [1828]
68, Oxford Street [1858], [1861], [1874], [1891]
67, Oxford Street [1864], [1872], [1892]
67–68, Oxford Street [1881], [1896], [1904]
147, Oxford Street [1916], [1921], [1940]

It was situated opposite to the Roman Catholic Church.

Stamp office [1849], [1850], [1851], [1854]

Maria Thompson was also an agent for the Norwich Union fire and life office. [1849]
She was described as also an agent for Norwich Union Office and for Swetman’s Dublin Porter. [1851], [1854]
William Tomkys was also an auctioneer. [1861]

1861 Census
68, Oxford Street – WAGGON AND HORSES
[2] Hannah Everall (36), housekeeper, born Bloxwich;
[3] Hannah Higgs (20), domestic servant, born Wolverhampton;
[4] John Perry (41), brewer, born Bilston:

William Poole Tomkys = William Pool Tomkys
He was also a dealer in firebricks, chimney tops and sanitary pipes. [1864], [1865]

1881 Census
67+68, Oxford Street – WAGGON AND HORSES
[1] Patrick Clines (54), licensed victualler and breeze dealer, born Ireland;
[2] Catherine Clines (48), wife, born Newport, Shropshire;
[4] Agnes Clines (13), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[5] Patrick Clines (11), son, scholar, born Bilston;
[7] Catherine Rochford (70), mother in law, formerly domestic servant, born Ireland;
[8] Jane Rochford (29), sister in law, domestic servant, born Wolverhampton:

1891 Census
68, Oxford Street – WAGGON AND HORSES
[1] George Walker (36), licensed victualler’s manager, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Kate Walker (38), wife, born Worcester;
[4] Edith Mildroon (17), general servant, born Willenhall:

1901 Census
Oxford Street – WAGGON AND HORSES
[1] George Walker (46), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
[2] Catherine Walker (36), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Francis A. Walker (15), son, clerk in factor’s warehouse, born Bilston;
[4] Bridget Long (70), mother in law, widow, born Garrymore, Ireland:

George Walker died in 1918.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Closed
Demolished
WATERLOO

Ettingshall, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Cox  [1828] – [1830]
WELCOME STRANGER

161, Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Jones [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census
161, Oxford Street – WELCOME STRANGER
[1] James Jones (28), carpenter (master) and victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Maria Jones (33), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Martha Jones (72), mother, widow, born Hungerford, Berkshire:
WELLINGTON

High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES


NOTES

LORD WELLINGTON  [1822]

John Hopkins = John Hopkin
WELLINGTON

13, (7), Price Street (Tame Street) / Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

John Silvester
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Matthew Holmes  [1845] – [1850]
James Butler  [1851]
John Silvester  [1858]
Sarah Willetts  [1861]
John Silvester  [1881] – 1890);
Miss Mary Jane Silvester  (1890 – 1904);
John Silvester  (1904 – 1906);
George Birkenhead  (1906 – 1907);
Mary Sophia Wright  (1907 – 1908);
John Silvester  (1908 – 1910);
Charles Glen  (1910 – 1926);
Willis Glen  (1926):

NOTES

Oxford Street  [1850]
4, Price Street  [1861]
7, Price Street
13, Price Street  [1901]

MARQUIS OF WELLINGTON  [1851]
WELLINGTON ARMS  [1901]

1861 Census

4, Price Street – WELLINGTON INN
[1] Sarah Willetts (69), widow, victualler, born Kingswinford:

1881 Census

Price Street – WELLINGTON INN
[1] John Silvester (54), widower, licensed victualler, born Walsall;
[4] Edna (?) Silvester (22), daughter, born Bilston;
[7] Clara Silvester (12), daughter, scholar, born Bilston:

John Silvester was also a shopkeeper.
He died on 19th April 1890.
1891 Census
Price Street – WELLINGTON INN
[1] Mary J. Silvester (36), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[3] Clara Silvester (21), sister, dressmaker, born Bilston:

Miss M. J. Silvester was also a shopkeeper.  [1892]

1901 Census
13, Price Street – WELLINGTON ARMS
[1] Mary Jane Silvester (45), unmarried, beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[2] James Silvester (38), brother, married, haulier and contractor, born Bilston;
[4] Marion Silvester (35), sister, schoolmistress (cert), born Bilston:

‘Memories of a Black Country Life’ by Minnie Clark (nee Harpin)

“My earliest recollections are of life at the WELLINGTON INN, a small and very old public house which was situated in Price Street, Bilston.  In those days, Price Street consisted of only eight houses plus the WELLINGTON INN, all of which ran on the one side of the road overlooking the school rooms of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church.  My grandfather, Charles Glen, had moved firstly to Birmingham from Hull, long before I was born.  I never knew my grandmother, Mary Ann, she died young leaving six children.  Inevitably most of the family grew up and went their separate ways, my grandfather eventually remarrying before being widowed once again and moving to Bilston to become the publican of the inn.  With him, to Bilston, came his sister, my great aunt, who, incidentally preferred to be called Great Aunt Forth (her married surname), my Uncle Bert (grandfather’s stepson from his second marriage), my mother and Uncle Will (her younger brother) ….. My father, John Thomas Harpin, lived locally in Brook Terrace….. after they got married they lived in the WELLINGTON INN with the rest of Mom’s family.  And it was there, on 10th November 1914, that I was born…..”

It closed on 2nd December 1926.
The license was transferred in 1926 to the VILLIERS ARMS.
It was demolished.
WHEATSHEAF

131, (61), (60), Oxford Street, (Oxford Road), New Town, BILSTON

OWNERS

Caroline Eyre, Whitmore Reans, Wolverhampton
South Staffordshire Brewery Co. Ltd.
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Daniel Poyser [1818]
J Dancer [1822]
Benjamin Huck [1828] – [1830]
Aaron Martin [1833] – [1842]
John Gardner [1849] – [1858]
Richard W. Phesse [1861]
Richard Jones [1864] – [1865]
Thomas Robinson [1865]
Joseph Baggott [1868] – [1870]
Mrs. Sarah Lloyd [1868] – [1870]
Samuel Whitmore []
James Lloyd [1871] – [1875];
Elizabeth Lloyd (1875 – 1877);
George Joseph Lavender (1877 – 1881);
Robert Hunt (1881);
John Froggatt (1881 – 1883);
Martha Butler (1883 – 1885);
Emma Roper (1885 – 1886);
Benjamin Powis (1886);
Joseph Henry Bird (1886 – 1887);
Mary Elizabeth Joyce (1887 – 1888);
Emma Rogers (1888 – 1889);
Edward Tandy (1889 – 1893);
David Attwood (1893);
Samuel Henry Tilsley (1893 – 189_);
Henry Mulloy (189_ – 189_);
Joseph Westwood (189_ – 189_);
John Griffiths (189_ – 1895);
Arthur Augustus Greaves (1895 – 1896);
Frank Haynes (1896 – 189_);
John Winyard (189_ – 1900);
Thomas Banks (1900 – 190_);
Julia Bould (190_ – 190_); [1901]
Herbert Henry Godwin [1903] – [1907];
John Melling (1907):
NOTES

Oxford Road, New Town [1828]
60, Oxford Street [1858]
61, Oxford Street [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1892], [1986], [1900]
131, Oxford Street [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

Samuel Whitmore issued tokens from here.

John Gardner = John Gardener

1861 Census
61, Oxford Street – WHEAT SHEAF INN
[1] Richard W. Phesse (34), licensed victualler, born London;

Thomas Robinson and Richard Jones appear in the same 1865 Directory.

Dudley Herald 23/11/1867
“For disposal, in consequence of other engagements, the WHEATSHEAF, Oxford Street, Bilston, near Saint Mary’s Church, comprising liquor shop, smoke room, tap room, brewhouse, two cellars and suitable bedroom…..”

Joseph Baggott and Sarah Lloyd appear in the same 1868 Directory.

1871 Census
61, Oxford Street
[1] James Lloyd (29), licensed victualler, born Bilston;
[2] Elizabeth Lloyd (27), wife, born Sedgley;
[3] Hannah Ford (14), domestic servant, born Bilston:

James Lloyd died on 29th December 1875.

1881 Census
61, Oxford Street – WHEATSHEAF
[1] Robert Hunt (32), licensed victualler, born Widnes, Lancashire;
[2] Lucy Gertrude Hunt (27), wife, born Bilston;
[7] Sarah Edwards (18), niece, domestic servant, born Willenhall;
[8] Clara Holland (10), niece, born Wednesbury;
[9] Alexander Mason (43), visitor, professor of music, born Scotland:
1891 Census
61, Oxford Street – The WHEAT SHEAF
[1] Edward Tandy (44), licensed victualler, born Penn;
[2] Sarah Ann Tandy (38), wife, born Wolverhampton;
[3] Lucy Tandy (15), licensed victualler’s assistant, born Penn;
[4] William Tandy (13), son, scholar, born Penn;
[5] Frances A. Tandy (11), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton:

1901 Census
Oxford Street – WHEAT SHEAF INN
[3] Alice Bould (18), daughter, tray brusher japan works, born Wales;
[5] Lilian Bould (9), daughter, born Tipton:

License refused by Compensation Authority on 18th June 1907.
Compensation of £200 was paid on 12th October 1907.
Closed
It became a lodging house.
Demolished.
WHITE HART

44, (42), (78), (2), Salop Street, (78, Salop Row), (Shropshire Row), Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

Isaac Brereton
Jane Brereton, widow, Salop Street, Bilston
Thomas Salt and Co. Ltd.
Atkinsons Brewery Ltd., Aston Park Brewery, Birmingham
Black Country Traditional Inns

LICENSEES

Abraham Brereton [1845] – [1865]
Mrs. James Brereton [1868] – [1870]
James Thompson [1871] – [1886];
George Jenkins (1886 – 1888);
John Percival (1888 – 1894);
Jesse Hipkins (1894);
Edward Watson (1894 – 1896);
Edward Danks (1896 – 1898);
Mrs. Martha Horton (1898 – 1900);
Henry Tertius Hodgkiss (1900);
Frederick William Webster (1900 – 1901);
Isaiah Tonks (1901 – 1902);
Ann Tonks (1902 – 1903);
John Timmins (1903 – 1904);
Joel Ashcroft (1904 – 1909);
Joseph Griffiths (1909 – 1921);
Arthur Edward George (1921 – [1961]

NOTES

Shropshire Row [1849], [1850]
78, Salop Row [1861]
Salop Street, Hallfields [1868]
2, Salop Street [1871]
78, Salop Street [1874], [1881], [1891]
42, Salop Street [1940]
44, Salop Street [2005]

Abraham Brereton = Abram Brereton

1861 Census
78, Salop Row – Public House
[1] Abram Brereton (44), publican, born Kidsgrove, Staffordshire;
[3] Isaac Brereton (21) son, pig dealer, born Bilston;
[6] Harriett Hodgkiss (12), servant, born Bilston:
1871 Census
2, Salop Street
[1] James Thompson (54), publican, born Bilston;
[2] Sarah Thompson (53), wife, born Oldbury;
[3] Alfred Thompson Key (18), nephew, journeyman carpenter, born Oldbury;
[4] Mary Smith (18), general servant, born Bradley:

Midland Counties Evening Express 2/4/1875
“An inquest was held, on Tuesday, before the deputy coroner (W. H. Phillips Esq.), at the WHITE HART INN, Bradley, concerning the death of Frederick Barrow, a child six years of age, the son of a canal boatman. It appeared that on Monday, deceased was left on his father’s boat, near Barber’s Field, in charge of an elder brother, and in three quarters of an hour afterwards, his body was found in the canal, it being supposed that he fell in while at play. The jury returned a verdict of Found Dead in the Canal.”

1881 Census
78, Salop Street – WHITE HART
[1] James Thompson (64), widower, innkeeper, born Bilston;
[2] Alfred Key (28), nephew, carpenter, born Oldbury;
[3] Martha Shakespear (16), general servant, born Bilston;
[4] Isabell Punchon (18), general servant, born Bilston;
[5] Florence Harris (7), visitor, born Aston, Warwickshire:

1891 Census
78, Salop Street
[1] John Percival (35), licensed victualler, born Roseville;
[2] Mary E. Percival (28), wife, born Princes End;
[3] Adele Percival (11), daughter, born Woodsetton;
[4] Beatrice Percival (9), daughter, born Gornal;
[7] Emily Percival (10 weeks), daughter, born Bradley;
[8] Clara Surnton (18), servant, born Bradley;
[9] Rebecca Mohe (19), visitor, born Oakengates:

1901 Census
Salop Street – WHITE HART INN
[1] Frederick W. Webster (35), licensed victualler, born Repton, Derbyshire;
[3] Frederick Webster (10), son, born Ashbourne, Derbyshire;
[4] Frank Webster (8), son, born Cannock;
[5] Harold Webster (6), son, born Cannock;
[8] Minnie Webster (15), general servant, born Cannock:

Joseph Griffiths was also a brewer. [1914]

Arthur Edward George was married to Mary.

A team from here took part in the Bradley Crib League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Bradley Darts League, First Division. [1946]

[2012]
**WHITE HORSE**

30, Dudley Road, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Benjamin Stanley  
Joseph York  
William Tomlinson, licensed victualler, Woodsetton 
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

Benjamin Stanley  ([1873] – **1879**);  
Henry Partridge  (**1879** – **1886**);  
Joseph York  (**1886** – **1895**);  
Alfred Law  (**1895**);  
Joseph Tomlinson  (**1895** – **1897**);  
Alfred Sheldon  (**1897**);  
William Hartill  (**1897** – [ ])

**NOTES**

It was originally known as the SHINGLERS ARMS.
WHITE HORSE

92, (42), (112), High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

James Cardell, gentleman, Birmingham
Sarah Fanny Butler
Edward Evans
Darby’s Brewery Ltd. [1937]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Cooper [1734]
Abraham Cross [1818]
Adam Hill [1822]
Thomas Cardell [1828] – [1835]
Sarah Cardell [1841] – [1842]
Joseph Busst [1849] – [1850]
Joseph Linney [1851]
Richard Hill [1858] – [1861]
James Trotman [1861]
Samuel Butler Snr. [1864] – [1873];
Samuel Butler Jnr. (1873 – 1882);
Mrs. Sarah Fanny Butler (1882 – 1898);
Miss Elizabeth Evans (1898 – 1902);
Mrs. Florence Evans (1902 – 1906);
Mrs. Susan Evans (1906 – 1919);
Oliver Brown (1919 – 1932);
Mrs. Selina Jane Brown (1932 – 1938);
Joseph William Pridmore (1938 – 1942)

NOTES

112, High Street [1864], [1865]
42, High Street [1858], [1861], [1868], [1870], [1871], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1884], [1892],
[1896], [1904]
92, High Street [1912], [1916], [1921], [1932], [1940]

John Cooper (1689 - 1747) was also a buckle maker and constable.

Thomas Cardell = Thomas Cardall

Joe Linney was a Chartist.

1851 Census
High Street
[1] Joseph Linney (42), licensed victualler, born Macclesfield;
[3] Elizabeth Pinner (19), house servant, born Sedgley:
1861 Census
42, High Street
[2] Mary A. Trotman (34), wife, born Fenton Moor, Staffordshire;
[3] Elizabeth Trotman (4), daughter, scholar, born Wolverhampton:

1871 Census
42, High Street – WHITE HORSE
[1] Thomas Harrison (19), servant in charge, born Runcorn:

Midland Counties Evening Express 10/2/1875
“Charles Taylor was summoned for being disorderly in the WHITE HORSE Public house, High Street, Bilston, and for assaulting Samuel Butler, the proprietor of the house, and James Butler, his son, on Monday, the 18th January. Mr. Barrow, who appeared for complainant, was about to make an opening statement, when Mr. Spooner requested him not to do so, as the defendant had no attorney. - Defendant said he had engaged Mr. Bowen, and paid him a fee of 15s, but he now refused to appear in the case, and declined to give any reason why he did so. He wished to know if he had no remedy in the matter. - Mr. Spooner said defendant could take proceedings in the County Court if his statement was correct. - Mr. Bowen shortly afterwards entered the Court, and on being informed what had occurred, intimated that he refused to appear without an ‘extra fee’, as he had already attended three times and the case had been adjourned. - Defendant agreed to pay an extra fee, and Mr. Bowen undertook his defence ….. The whole of the summonses were dismissed.”

1881 Census
42, High Street
[1] Samuel Butler (66), licensed victualler, born Darlaston;
[2] Sarah Butler (58), wife, born Wednesbury;
[3] James Butler (42), son, roll turner, born Wednesbury;
[4] Fanny Butler (37), daughter in law, born Sutton Coldfield;
[6] Pamela Caddick (19), general servant, born Sedgley:
[Butler appears as Buller in this census.]

Samuel Butler Jnr. was married to Sarah Fanny. (She was known as Fanny)
He died on 27th February 1882.

Susan Evans = Susannah Evans

Midlands Evening Chronicle 5/10/1909
“The third annual leek show was held at the WHITE HORSE HOTEL, High Street, Bilston, on Monday. The show was opened by Councillor Leonard Foster…..”

Susan (Susannah) Evans was married to Edward Evans (b. 1857).
He died in 1919 after slipping in the malt room.
She was also a brewer.  [1914]

Oliver Brown was also a brewer.  [1916], [1921]
He died in 1932.

Mrs. Selina Jane Brown brewed here.

Joseph William Pridmore also worked part time for Collins the undertakers.

Closed
It was demolished circa 1970.
WHITE HORSE
24, Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Edward Roberts  [1916] – [1940]

NOTES
It had a beerhouse license.  [1916]
WHITE HORSE

1, (42), Ward Street, Priestfield, BILSTON

OWNERS

Mrs. Rhoda Williams, widow, Wellington Road, Bilston
Henry Williams, fishmonger, Wellington Road, Bilston
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Edward Jones   [1873 – 1877];
George Millard Fellows   (1877 – 1884);
Thomas Edmunds   (1884 – 1892);
Edward Somerfield   (1892 – 1894);
Samuel Forrester   (1894 – 1907);
Hannah Forrester   (1907 – 1912);
Albert Davies   (1912 – 1913);
Thomas Samuel Bates   (1913 – 1921);

NOTES

42, Ward Street   [1881]
1, Ward Street   [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census
42, Ward Street – WHITE HORSE
[1] George M. Fellows (27), roll turner and beerhouse keeper, born Ettingshall;
[2] Elizabeth Fellows (26), wife, born Willenhall;
[4] Edith M. Fellows (10 months), daughter, born Ettingshall;
[5] Sarah Homer (13), general servant, born Ettingshall:

1891 Census
Ward Street – WHITE HORSE
[1] Thomas Edmunds (46), blank tray maker, born Bilston;
[2] Phoebe Edmunds (40), wife, born Bilston;
[5] Phoebe A. Edmunds (11), daughter, born Bilston:
1901 Census
1, Ward Street
[1] Samuel Forrester (41), beerhouse keeper, born Bilston;
[2] Hannah Forrester (34), wife, born Bilston;
[4] Samuel Forrester (13), son, born Bilston;
[5] Hannah Forrester (11), daughter, born Bilston;
[9] Sarah H. Forrester (17), sister, painting cisterns, born Bilston:

Samuel Forrester, beer retailer, Ward Street.  [1904]

Thomas Samuel Bates was fined 15s on 6th February 1917 for selling ale after 8.30 pm.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 24th July 1919.
Compensation of £915 was paid on 24th December 1921.

Demolished
**WHITE LION**

67, (17), Cross Street, (Lower) Bradley, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Ann Flavell, wife of licensee  
Joseph Townsend  
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston  
R. A. Harper Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

James Hill  (1868 – 1886);  
James Hill  (1886 – 1890);  
Joseph Townsend  (1890 – 1893);  
Thomas Finney  (1893);  
William Bowater Flavell  (1893 – 1902);  
Mrs. Ann Flavell  (1902);  
Henry Flavell  (1902);  
Jonathan Wildman  (1902 – 1907);  
Ethel May Wildman  (1907 – 1911);  
Henry Percy Wildman  (1911 – 1912);  
Harry Archer  (1912 – 1915);  
Stephen Edward Williams  (1915 – 1921);  
Henry Insley  (1921 – 1923);  
George Davies  (1923);  
Annie Whittaker  (1923 – 1924);

**NOTES**

17, Cross Street  [1871]  
67, Cross Street  [1901], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

*James Hill*, beer retailer, Bradley.  [1868]

**1871 Census**

17, Cross Street – WHITE LION  
[1] James Hill (60), beer retailer, born, Bilston;  
[3] Elizabeth Earp (19), niece, born Wolverhampton;  
[4] Emma Smith (22), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

*James Hill* died on 21st May 1886.
1901 Census
67, Cross Street
[1] William Flavell (50), publican, born Ruiton;
[2] Ann Flavell (50), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Harry Flavell (27), son, labourer in iron foundry, born Gornal:

William Bowater Flavell – see also BARREL.

William Bowater Flavell died in 1902.

1911 Census
Cross Street, Daisy Bank – WHITE LION
[2] Ethel May Wildman (26), sister, milliner, born Sedgley;
[3] Mary Elizabeth Wildman (23), sister, born Sedgley;
[5] Phoebe Charles (20), general servant, born Sedgley:

Henry Percy Wildman, beer retailer, 67, Cross Street, Bradley.  [1912]

License refused by the Compensation Authority on 28th July 1924.
Compensation of £750 was paid on 24th December 1924.
**WHITE LION**

Millfields Road, (Mill Street), (Mill Lane), (Union Street), (Millfields Bridge), Ettingshall, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Thomas Bantock, gentleman, Wolverhampton
Thomas Hampton, builder, Parkfields.
J. W. Hamp, surgeon, Wolverhampton
Richard Andrew Harper, brewer, Bilston
R. A. Harper Ltd.
Eley’s Stafford Brewery Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.  [1946]

**LICENSEES**

Joseph Dancer  [1818]
Mrs. Frances Sellman  [1828] – [1851]
John Griffiths  [1861]
Richard Pinfield  [1864] – 1880);
Ann Pinfield  (1880 – 1881);
Thomas Hampton  (1881 – 1884);
John Guest  (1884 – 188_);
Richard Hawkins  (188_ – 188_);
William Millett  (188_ – 189_); [1891]
Thomas Richardson  [1892] – 1910);
Samuel Benjamin Richardson  (1910 – 1924);
Marion Jane Richardson  (1924 – 1925);
John William Slater  (1925 – [1940]

**NOTES**

Mill Street  [1828], [1861], [1874]
Millfields Bridge  [1845], [1849], [1850]
Mill Lane  [1864], [1865], [1882]
Union Street  [1871], [1881], [1891]
Millfields Road  [1901]

LION  [1860], [1865], [1874]

**1861 Census**

Mill Street – WHITE LION
[1] John Griffiths (50), publican, born Tettenhall Wood;
[8] Catherine Bloor (23), servant, born Warwickshire:
1871 Census
Union Street
[1] Richard Pinfield (57), publican, born Stourport;
[6] George A. Smith (3), grandson, born Smethwick:

Richard Pinfield died on 9th September 1880.

1881 Census
Union Street – WHITE LION
[2] Ruth Pinfield (34), daughter, general servant, born Dudley;
[4] Richard Johnson (41), boarder, engine fitter (out of employ), born Darlaston:

Evening Star 17/2/1882
“Thomas Baines, John Baines, and Thomas Vaughan, boatmen, plying on the Birmingham Canal, were charged with stealing a bottle of rum, the property of Thomas Hampton, landlord of the WHITE LION INN, Mill Lane, Millfields. On Wednesday morning the prisoners came into the vaults. While they were in a bottle of rum was missed from the shelf, and they were accused of stealing it as there had not been anyone else in the place. The prisoners were committed to take their trial at the sessions, bail being allowed in £10 each.”

1891 Census
Union Street – WHITE LION
[1] William Millett (34), publican, born Norton, Somersetshire;
[2] Sarah Millett (38), wife, born Nottingham;
[3] William Millett (2), son, born Bilston:

1901 Census
Millfields Road
[1] Thomas Richardson (51), widower, publican, born Birmingham;
[3] Samuel Richardson (26), son, carpenter, born Bilston;
[5] Fanny Corfield (54), sister in law, widow, born Bilston:

A music license was granted on 6th February 1925.

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League.  [1946]
WHITE LION

73, (38), (33), Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Price, farmer, Willenhall
South Staffordshire Brewery Co. Ltd.
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
Old Wolverhampton Breweries Ltd.
William Butler and Co Ltd. [1946]

LICENSEES

James Harris [1841] – [1842]
Joseph Winsper [1845] – [1851]
John Brereton [1851]
C B Battye [1858]
Charles Angell [1861]
Charles Hughes [1864] – [1879];
Mrs. Ann Hughes (1879 – 1882);
Alfred Brown (1882 – 1883);
James ? (1883 – 1884);
Joseph ? (1884);
John Murphy (1884 – 1886);
Edwin Holland (1886 – 1888);
Charles Adams (1888);
Henry Jones (1888 – 1892);
Mrs. Lucy Jones (1892 – 1898);
William Dunn (?) (1898 – 1899);
Edward Murray (1899 – 1903);
Ellen C Murray [1901] ?
Philip Williams (1903 – 1906);
Mary Ann Williams (1906 – 1910);
George Henry Shelley (1910 – 1922);
Rose Ann Shelley (1922 – 1937);
Leonard Shelley (1947 – 1940)

NOTES

38, Temple Street [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1872], [1874], [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896]
33, Temple Street [1873]
73, Temple Street [1904], [1912], [1916], [1940]
1861 Census
38, Temple Street – WHITE LION INN
[1] Charles Angell (30), cinder burner and beer seller, born Evesham;
[3] Sarah New (16), general servant, born Bilston:

Charles Hughes died in 1879.

1881 Census
38, Temple Street
[1] Ann Hughes (39), widow, licensed victualler, born Bequilding (?), Radnorshire;
[2] Elizabeth J. Hughes (15), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Lucy Maria Hughes (11), daughter, scholar, born Bilston;
[6] John Davis (22), lodger, railway signal fitter, born Talybont, Radnorshire:

1891 Census
38, Temple Street – The WHITE LION
[1] Henry Jones (63), licensed victualler, born Brecon;
[2] Lucy Jones (62), wife, born Bilston;
[3] Eda Smith (16), general servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census
Temple Street – WHITE LION
[1] Edward Murray (58), cordwainer, born Roscommon, Ireland;
[3] Nora A. Murray (9), daughter, born London:

A team from here took part in the Butlers (Bilston) Darts League. [1946]

Closed
Demolished
WHITE ROSE

24, (97), Temple Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

David Kendrick, ironmaster, Codsall
Mrs. Sarah Adams, Priestfield
Banks and Co., brewers, Wolverhampton
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mrs. Sophia Kendrick [1861] – 1874;
Joseph Bower (?) (1874 – 1880);
Thomas Marsh (1880 – 1881);
Margaret Marsh (1881 – 1883);
John Knight (1883 – 1888);
Hannah ? (1888);
James Hinton (1888);
James William Jones (1888 – 1892);
Joseph ? (1892);
Solomon ? (1892 – 1893);
Thomas Downing (1893 – 1895);
Mrs. Harriet Yeomans (1895);
John Evans (1895 – 1904);
Thomas Woolley (1904 – 1905);
Joseph Owen (1905 – 1908);
Joseph Blakemore (1908 – 1909);
Edward ‘Teddy’ Roberts (1909 – 1946)
Jack Shakespeare [ ]
Len Skett [ ]
Nicola Jane Hayes [2005]
S Raj [2005]
Dial Singh [ ] – 2008

NOTES

97, Temple Street [1861], [1871], [1881]
24, Temple Street [1901], [1904], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census
97, Temple Street
[1] Sophia Kendrick (62), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Shropshire;
[2] Mary Poole (20), housemaid, born Shropshire:

Mrs. Sophia Kendrick, beer retailer, 97, Temple Street. [1865], [1868]
1871 Census
97, Temple Street – Public House
[1] Sophia Kendrick (72), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Broseley, Shropshire;
[2] Margaret Knight (18), general servant, born Bilston:

Thomas Marsh died on 20th January 1881.

1881 Census
97, Temple Street – WHITE ROSE
[1] Margaret Marsh (54), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Stroud, Gloucestershire;
[2] Ida Marsh (22), daughter, barmaid, born Newport, Wales;
[4] Sidney Marsh (18), son, warehouseman, born Newport, Wales;
[5] Florence Marsh (12), daughter, scholar, born Newport, Wales:

1891 Census
97, Temple Street – WHITE ROSE
[2] Sarah Bowers (28), wife, born Darlaston;
[3] Horace Bowers (1), son, born Wednesbury:

1901 Census
24, Temple Street
[2] Eliza Evans (50), wife, born Audley, Staffordshire;
[3] Emma Evans (18), daughter, black stover japan works, born Audley, Staffordshire;
[4] Harriet Evans (11), daughter, born Audley, Staffordshire;
[7] Edwin Inskip (16), boarder, iron worker marker, born Bilston:

Mrs. Harriet Yeomans, beer retailer, 97, Temple Street. [1904]
John Evans, beer retailer, 24, Temple Street. [1904]
Edward Roberts, beer retailer, 24, Temple Street. [1912]

It was demolished in 1968, and rebuilt on an adjacent site.
The new building opened in 1968.

Keith Thomas married Jean.

Dial Singh was born c. 1962.
He was fined £650 for allowing smoking in his pub in February 2008.
He was fined £2,000 for the same charge in October 2008.

[2005]

It closed in 2008. [2009]
Demolished [2011]
Housing was built on the site.
WHITE SWAN

John Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Wingfield  [1873]
WHITE SWAN
Lower Bradley, BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES
Thomas Wall [1861]
Ann Wall [1864]
WILLIAM BUTLER
John Street, Priestfield, (Ettingshall), BILSTON

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES
It opened in 1966.
It closed in 2007.
Demolished
Housing was built on the site. [2009]
**BEERHOUSES**
A number of beerhouses were never given a name. Only those that I am sure had 'on' licences are included.

**Beerhouse - Unnamed**
Bridge Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**
Sarah Smallman, widow, Darlaston

**LICENSEES**
Thomas Legg [1873]

**NOTES**
The license was taken away by the Justices.
**Beerhouse - Unnamed**

Cemetery Row, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

**LICENSEES**

John Lloyd [1873]

**NOTES**

The license was abandoned.
Beerhouse - Unnamed

10, Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Elijah Price the Elder, spirit merchant, Bilston

LICENSEES

Elijah Price the Younger [1873]

NOTES

It had an on license.

The license was abandoned.
Beerhouse - Unnamed

Church Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

Samuel Sellman, timber merchant, Penn

LICENSEES

Robert Neast [1873]

NOTES

It had a six day, on license.

The license was abandoned.
**Beerhouse - Unnamed**

Ettingshall Row, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

Samuel Ingram, contractor, Wolverhampton

**LICENSEES**

John Vickers [1873]

**NOTES**

It had an on license.

The license was abandoned.
Beerhouse - Unnamed

Frost Street, New Village, BILSTON

OWNERS

James Yates Rotherick, out of business, Wolverhampton

LICENSEES

Robert Booth   [1873]

NOTES

The license was abandoned.
Beerhouse - Unnamed

High Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Mattocks
Thomas Yardley Mattocks
Joseph Harding, grocer, Bilston
John Fisher

LICENSEES

William Mattocks [1873] – 1876);
Thomas Yardley Mattocks (1876 – 1884);
James Harding (1884 – 1885);
Samuel Boucher Collier (1885 – 1892);
John Fisher (1892 – [1903]

NOTES

License not applied for.
Premises closed for sale of wine on 10th February 1911.
**Beerhouse - Unnamed**

64, (78), John Street, New Village, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

William Butler and Co. Ltd.

**LICENSEES**

John Parkes  
(1868 – 1877);

Charles Tomms Hollington  
(1877 – 1895);

William Pritchard  
(1895 – 1898);

Mary Elizabeth Pritchard  
(1898 – [ ]);

Edward Fellows  
[ ] – 1901

Annie Elizabeth Field  
(1915 – 1917);

Esther Woolley  
(1917 – 1930);

Richard Enoch Woolley  
(1930);

Albert Bushell Godfrey  
(1930 – [1938])

**NOTES**

64, John Street  
[1901], [1904]

It had an on beerhouse license.

John Parkes, beer retailer, 78, John Street, New Village.  
[1868], [1870]

1901 Census

64, John Street

[1] Edward Fellows (28), tavern keeper and dray man, born Tipton;

[2] Annie Fellows (23), wife, born Tipton;

[3] Sarah Fellows (61), mother, widow, born Dudley:

Edward Fellows was also a shopkeeper.  
[1904]

Annie Elizabeth Field was fined £5 and costs, on 25th May 1917, for permitting drunkenness.
Beerhouse - Unnamed

45, Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Hart

LICENSEES

William Hart  [1865] – 1873);  
Sebastian Eaton  (1873 – 1876);  
Thomas Lane  (1876 – 1877);  
William Hart  (1877 – []

NOTES

It had an on beerhouse license.

William Hart, grocer and provision dealer, and beer retailer, 45, Oxford Street.  [1865]

The license was abandoned.
**Beerhouse - Unnamed**

103, (47), Oxford Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

David Riley, farmer, Essington
Charlotte Riley, Bloxwich

**LICENSEES**

William Hanson Deakin  [1873] – 1882);
James Woolridge  (1882 – 1911):

**NOTES**

47, Oxford Street
103, Oxford Street  [1901]

It had an on license.

**1901 Census**

103, Oxford Street
[1] James Woolridge (59), baker’s shop keeper, born Worcester;
[2] Elizabeth Woolridge (61), wife, born Llandidloes, Montgomeryshire;
[3] Elizabeth Woolridge (27), daughter, born Bilston;
[4] Frederick Woolridge (24), son, confectioner, born Bilston;
[5] Charlotte Woolridge (21), daughter, born Bilston:

License not applied for.
Premises closed on 10th February 1911.
Beerhouse - Unnamed

Oxford Street, BILSTON

OWNERS

William Barrett, builder, Bilston

LICENSEES

John Unitt [1873]

NOTES

The license was abandoned.
**Beerhouse - Unnamed**

St. Lukes Street, BILSTON

**OWNERS**

**LICENSEES**

Edward Ratcliffe  [1873]

**NOTES**

The license was abandoned.
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COACH AND HORSES  Caseley Row, BILSTON
COCK  Church Street / Lichfield Street, BILSTON
COCK  44, (62), (30), Willenhall Road, (30, Cold Lanes), (Coal Lane), Mount Pleasant, BILSTON
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DUKE OF YORK  Wolverhampton Road, BILSTON
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ELEPHANT AND CASTLE  122, (127), Oxford Street, BILSTON
ELISABETH ARMS  Overfield Drive, BILSTON
EXCHANGE VAULTS  72, Church Street, BILSTON
FALCON  Mount Pleasant, BILSTON
FIGHTING COCKS  Dudley Street, BILSTON
FORESTERS ARMS  12, (6), Walsall Street, BILSTON
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FORGE HAMMER  112, (6), Spring Road, Lanesfield, (Spring Vale Iron Works), BILSTON
FOUNTAIN  Parliament Street, Greencroft, BILSTON
FOUNTAIN  29, (36), Ward Street, Ettingshall, (Priesfield), BILSTON
FOUR HORSE SHOES  Broad Lanes, BILSTON
FOX  4, Ash Street, Bradley, (Daisy Bank), BILSTON
FOX  Bilston Street, Hallfields, BILSTON
FOX  18, Church Street, BILSTON
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GEORGE AND CROWN  Willenhall Road, BILSTON
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GLADSTONE ARMS  Oxford Street, BILSTON
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GOLDEN CUP  68, (54), (53), High Street / Oat Meal Square, BILSTON
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GOLDEN LION  46, Ash Street, (Old Green), (5, Chell Street), Bradley, (Upper Bradley), (Hall Green), (Daisy Bank), (Highfields), BILSTON
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GREAT WESTERN  Hall Street, BILSTON
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OLD CROWN  Crown Street / Parliament Street, BILSTON
OLD CROWN  12, Wootton Square, (Hall Street), Bradley, BILSTON
OLD CROWN AND ANCHOR  Coseley Street, (Coseley Row), BILSTON
OLD HOUSE AT HOME  Greencroft, BILSTON
OLD HOUSE AT HOME  16, (102), (101+102), Temple Street, BILSTON
OLD MALT SHOVEL  40, Church Street, BILSTON
OLD MERMAID  33, (18), (17+18), Salop Street, (Shropshire Row), Bradley, (Highfields), (Hallfields), BILSTON
OLD ROUND OF BEEF  35, (17), High Street / Workhouse Fold, BILSTON
OLD SHOPPE  John Street, Ettingshall, BILSTON
OLD WHITE ROSE  20, Lichfield Street, (20, (102), Church Street), (Swan Bank), BILSTON
ORANGE TREE  32, (19), Ward Street, (Ettingshall), Priestfield, BILSTON
OXFORD  83, (37), (36), (36a), (26), Oxford Street / Brook Street, (New Town), BILSTON
PARKFIELD TAVERN  715, Parkfields Road, (18, Parkfield Road), (Ettingshall), BILSTON
PATCH BOX  Willis Pearson Avenue, Bradley, BILSTON
PHEASANT  20, (96), (76), (167), Broad Street, BILSTON
PIPE HALL  27, Hall Street, BILSTON
PLOUGH  82, (47), (46), (45), High Street, BILSTON
PLOUGH  Shropshire Row, BILSTON
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POINT OF WAR  High Street, BILSTON
PRINCE OF WALES  17, Highfields Road / Caledonia Street, Highfields, (Hallfields Road), (Hallfields) (Upper) Bradley, BILSTON
PRINCE OF WALES  44, Queen Street, BILSTON
QUEEN  Temple Street, BILSTON
QUEENS ARMS  10, (13), (25), Wellington Road, (Wellington Street), (Lichfield Street), (Wolverhampton Street), BILSTON
QUEENS HEAD  BILSTON
RAILWAY  3, (5), Brook Street, BILSTON
RAILWAY  4, Hill Street, (64, Hall Street), (Railway Street), Hallfields, Bradley, BILSTON
RAILWAY FOUNTAIN  Hall Green, (Upper Bradley), Highfields, BILSTON
RECRUITING SERGEANT  High Street, BILSTON
RED COW  3, (5), Bridge Street, (Fraser Street), BILSTON
RED CROSS KNIGHT  11, Brook Street, BILSTON
RED LION  32, Brierley Lane, (Batsman Hill), (Daisy Bank), Bradley, BILSTON
RED LION  Church Street, BILSTON
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RISING SUN  16, Cross Street, Bradley, BILSTON
ROBIN HOOD  161, (76), (75 and 76), Oxford Street, BILSTON
ROCKET POOLS  Rocket Pool Drive, (School Drive), Bradley, BILSTON
ROEBUCK  50, Bridge Street, BILSTON
ROEBUCK  2, Crown Street, BILSTON
ROLLING MILL  Highfields Road, (High Street), (Stafford Row), Highfields, (Ettingshall), BILSTON
ROLLING MILL  Millfields Road / 22, Union Street, BILSTON
ROOKERY TAVERN  35, Wood Street, Lanesfield, (New Street, Ettingshall), BILSTON
ROSE AND CROWN  Church Street, Swan Bank, BILSTON
ROSE AND CROWN  Middle Field Lane, BILSTON
ROSE AND CROWN  BILSTON
ROUGH HILLS TAVERN  Rooker Avenue, (8, Rough Hills), BILSTON
ROUND COUNTER  4, Rose Street, (Batsman Hill), Bradley, BILSTON
ROYAL ARTILLERY  9, (5), High Street, BILSTON
ROYAL EXCHANGE  26, (25), (27), Chapel Street, BILSTON
ROYAL EXCHANGE  4, (57), Queen Street, BILSTON
ROYAL EXCHANGE  35, (19), Salop Street, (Shropshire Row), (Hallfields), Bradley, BILSTON
ROYAL GEORGE  44, (92), Church Street, BILSTON
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ROYAL OAK  84, (83), Salop Street, (83, Salop Row), (Shropshire Row), Bradley, (Hallfields), BILSTON
ROYAL OAK  Wolverhampton Street, BILSTON
SADDLE AND STIRRUPS  121, [56], Oxford Street / Warwick Street, BILSTON
SAMPSON AND LION  1, Green Croft, (Green Cross Street), BILSTON
SAMPSON AND LION  34, Newbolt Road, BILSTON
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SHAKESPEARE  29, (8), (6), Market Street, (Newmarket Street), BILSTON
SHAMROCK  91, (47–48), Temple Street, BILSTON
SHIP AND RAINBOW  42, (166), Oxford Street, [Oxford Road] / Queen Street, (Bow Street), BILSTON
SHOULDER OF MUTTON  73, Hall Green Street, Bradley, [Daisy Bank], BILSTON
SIR HENRY NEWBOLT  45 – 47, High Street, BILSTON
SOLDIER’S RETURN  Brook Street, BILSTON
SPREAD EAGLE  24, (19), Ladymoor Road, Ladymoor, BILSTON
SPREAD EAGLE  37, (20), (5), Lichfield Street, BILSTON
SPREAD EAGLE  Bradley, BILSTON
SQUIRREL  Lower Bradley, BILSTON
STAG  5, (1), Crown Street, BILSTON
STAR  31, (15), Church Street, (15, Lichfield Street), Swan Bank, BILSTON
STAR  155, (72), (72–73), Oxford Street, BILSTON
STAR AND GARTER  8, Lester Street, (Leicester Street), BILSTON
STAR AND GARTER  7, (4), (5), Salop Street, (Salop Row), Bradley, (Hallfields), BILSTON
SWAN  59, (19), Bank Street, (19, Bilston Street), (19, Lord Street), (Queen Street), (Hallfields), (Upper Bradley), Bradley, BILSTON
SWAN  Bradley Row, Bradley, BILSTON
SWAN  108, Church Street, (108, Hall Street), Swan Bank, BILSTON
SWAN  Cross Street, Bradley, BILSTON
SWAN  84, (46), High Street, BILSTON
SWAN  1, John Street, New Village, Priestfield, (Ettingshall), BILSTON
SWAN  Prestons Row, Ettingshall, BILSTON
SWAN  9, (13), Twenty House Row, Lower Bradley, BILSTON
SWAN BANK TAVERN  3–5, Lichfield Street, (3, (2), Church Street), Swan Bank, BILSTON
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TALBOT  31, (11), Oxford Street, BILSTON
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THREE TUNS  55, (35), Bridge Street / Queen Street, BILSTON
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TOWN HALL STORES  36, Church Street, (High Street), BILSTON
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TRUMPET  58, (57a), High Street, BILSTON
TURKS HEAD  11, (6), (4), (5), High Street, BILSTON
UNICORN  45, Church Street, BILSTON
UNION  68, (44) Coseley Road, (68, (67), (64), (44), Coseley Street), (Coseley Row), BILSTON
UNION  44, Union Street, BILSTON
UNION MILL  1, Manor Road, (82, Parkfield Road), (Ettingshall lane), (22, Can Lane), Ettingshall, (Catchems Corner), BILSTON
VAULTS  5, (3), High Street, BILSTON
VICTORIA  33, Wesley Street, Bradley, BILSTON
VILLIERS ARMS  Villiers Avenue, (Villiers Square), BILSTON
VINE  34, (32), (92), John Street, New Village, (Ettingshall), BILSTON
WAGGON AND HORSES  22, Millfields Road, (22, Mill Street), Ettingshall, BILSTON
WAGGON AND HORSES  147, (67–68), (67), (68), Oxford Street, [Oxford Road], New Town, BILSTON
WATERLOO  Ettingshall, BILSTON
WELCOME STRANGER  161, Oxford Street, BILSTON
WELLINGTON  High Street, BILSTON
WELLINGTON  13, (7), Price Street (Tame Street) / Oxford Street, BILSTON
WHEATSHEAF  131, (61), (60), Oxford Street, (Oxford Road), New Town, BILSTON
WHITE HART  44, (42), (78), (2), Salop Street, (78, Salop Row), (Shropshire Row), Bradley, BILSTON
WHITE HORSE  30, Dudley Road, BILSTON
WHITE HORSE  92, (42), (112), High Street, BILSTON
WHITE HORSE  24, Temple Street, BILSTON
WHITE HORSE  1, (42), Ward Street, Priestfield, BILSTON
WHITE LION  67, (17), Cross Street, (Lower) Bradley, BILSTON
WHITE LION  Millfields Road, (Mill Street), (Mill Lane), (Union Street), (Millfields Bridge), Ettingshall, BILSTON
WHITE LION  73, (38), (33), Temple Street, BILSTON
WHITE ROSE  24, (97), Temple Street, BILSTON
WHITE SWAN  John Street, BILSTON
WHITE SWAN  Lower Bradley, BILSTON
WILLIAM BUTLER  John Street, Priestfield, (Ettingshall), BILSTON
Beerhouse – Unnamed

Bridge Street, BILSTON
Cemetery Row, BILSTON
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Church Street, BILSTON
Ettingshall Row, BILSTON
Frost Street, New Village, BILSTON
High Street, BILSTON
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103, (47), Oxford Street, BILSTON
Oxford Street, BILSTON
St. Lukes Street, BILSTON
HOW TO USE THE INFORMATION

Pub Name

This is generally the name by which the pub was officially known. Other names, either changes or nicknames, are to be found in the notes section. Names marked with + are, at present, not specifically identified as being any of those listed before them, and have not been attributed yet because of the lack of data available.

Pubs are not listed necessarily under their current name.

A number of beerhouses were never given a name, and these appear at the end of the pub lists as Beerhouse – Unnamed. Only those that I am pretty sure had ‘on’ licences are included.

This is sometimes the case with alehouses too.

Can’t find the pub you want?

It’s probably had its name changed. Try using the search facility to locate the pub name, or nickname, that you know.

Address

Eg. 52, (79), Haden Street, (Haden Lane) / Cox Alley, Kates Hill, DUDLEY

Numbers and street names in brackets denote earlier addresses. These are usually detailed in the notes section. Buildings were renumbered with development and demolition, or the renaming of the street etc.

/ = on the corner with…..

Sometimes districts are also included, such as Kates Hill above. These are often historical and are now obsolete, but can be located on early maps.

Owners

These are listed where known.
They include companies and individuals, and occasionally the dates acquired and prices paid.

Licensees

Often the owner was the licensee, and even when they employed managers their names would appear in directories.
Where known, names are appended with (manager, non-resident, tenant etc.).
Dates

These are differentiated by the use of brackets and/or italics.

[1862] = This was the case in 1862. Where the date appears on its own it refers to the earliest or latest reference found.
This also applies where a pub has its name changed, eg.
[2001] followed by “Its name was changed to XXXXX. [2003]
This means that in 2001 it still had its previous name, but by 2003 its name had been changed to XXXXX.

[1862] = Information from a directory dated 1862, so may have been out of date when it was published. As much as five years in some cases!
[c. 1862] = About 1862, but exact date not known.
[1860's] = Some time in this decade.
[] = No date available, but the detail is inserted in roughly the right chronological place.

(1862 – [1863] = Started in 1862 and was still the case in 1863.
[1862] – 1863) = It was the case in 1862 and ended in 1863.
(1862 – 1863) = Started in 1862 and ended in 1863.

(1862 – 1863); the ; signifies that the licensee was immediately followed by the next person.
Sometimes the licence transfer came months after a person’s death, but the transfer date is the one used, if date of death is not known.

Sometimes the licensing registers contradict findings from other sources such as directories. Where this occurs the ; is still used, the anomalous name is given a question mark and is placed in a suitable chronological place, and the next person is the one that follows the ;

Eg.
Fred Smith [1916] – 1927);
Joseph Bloggs [1921] ?
George Jones (1927 – 1932)
In the register George Jones follows on from Fred Smith, but Joseph Bloggs was mentioned in another source in 1921. He is left in for completeness.

When using original documents, such as licensing registers, which are damaged, it is impossible to read some material (including dates). Where this has occurred, and only the decade or century is decipherable, I have used underscoring to replace the missing digits in an effort to keep the licensees in the correct order.

Eg. Fred Smith (188_ - 18__);
John Jones (18__ - 189_);

If the date is followed with a : this signifies the last person to hold the licence.
Notes

These start with locations, and are followed by previous names or nicknames of the pub. These are then followed by other details, often where dates are unknown.

Historical details then follow chronologically where possible.

Some pubs listed are the same as others, but so far I have been unable to connect them. This is especially true when directories only list the pub name and licensee, and more than one pub of that name existed at the time. These are often identified by:-
Check OTHER PUB NAME.

Licensees are often associated with more than one pub, and pubs are sometimes rebuilt on different sites to their original one. These are identified by:-
See OTHER PUB NAME.

Titles – only Miss and Mrs are used here (when known).
No other titles are used.
ie. Major George Cox was not a major. Major was his first name.

Often names were spelt differently in the sources used. This is identified where possible, and one spelling is used for consistency.
Where I have decided that different spellings are the same person I have identified this eg. Smith = Smithe
Where I am unsure about this I have identified it thus
* possibly the same person
or
* probably the same person

Where sources are quoted these appear in colour, followed by the quote in black in a different typeface from the remainder of the information. Sometimes I have paraphrased a quotation, and some have had additions entered by myself.

Information which has been transcribed by me from handwritten sources, such as censuses, parish records, licensing minutes etc., should be correctly spelt, but the reader is advised to check the original for themselves. In cases where I have been unable to transcribe individual names, only those letters that are clear are given.
eg. Osbal___on ? The underscore does not indicate the number of missing letters, as this is often as unclear as the name itself.
Where I am not 100% sure that I have deciphered a name correctly this is indicated by a question mark in parentheses ie. (?)

Census records are presented in a different form than the original.
[1] = position in the household.
This is followed by the name and (age).
Relationship to [1] follows, and then occupation (if any is listed).
Finally comes the place of birth. Where these places are local to the Black Country, or are larger towns and cities, no county name is given.

Where birthplaces are given in the Black Country it has to be remembered:-
(a) Harborne once included Smethwick
(b) Kingswinford once covered places such as Brierley Hill, Pensnett, Quarry Bank and Wall Heath
(c) Sedgley once included Coseley and the Gornals
(d) West Bromwich once included Great Bridge (now in the Tipton file), Great Barr and Hamstead (not considered by me as part of the Black Country).
A gazetteer is provided to give approximate locations of place names in relation to larger towns in Britain.

Where a licensee changes her name by marriage, her former surname appears in brackets ie. Jane (maiden or previous married name) Smith.

Where names of spouses are known, they are listed in the past tense, even though many may be still husband and wife. This is merely a convention used by me for convenience.

Where square brackets occur, with text in a different typeface inside, this signifies comments of my own.

Some entries, in all sections, are followed by a number of question marks (without parentheses). These show the extent of doubt that I have over that entry.

The historical nature of the contents has meant that the old currency of pounds shillings and pence is used frequently. A pound was divided into 20 shillings (s) and a shilling was divided into 12 pence (d). Halfpennies and farthings (1/4d) were also in use. This is also the case where other measures, length, weight etc., are used. See glossary for details.