

**NAMES OF VILLAGERS & TRADES IN
OSGATHORPE AS RECORDED IN
VARIOUS TRADE DIRECTORIES FROM
1846 TO 1916**

HISTORY,
GAZETTEER, AND DIRECTORY
OF
LEICESTERSHIRE,
AND THE SMALL
COUNTY OF RUTLAND;
TOGETHER WITH THE ADJACENT
TOWNS OF GRANTHAM & STAMFORD ;
COMPRISING
General Surveys of both Counties,
AND SEPARATE
HISTORICAL, STATISTICAL, & TOPOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTIONS
OF ALL THEIR
HUNDREDS, TOWNS, PARISHES,
TOWNSHIPS, CHAPELRIES, VILLAGES, HAMLETS,
MANORS, LIBERTIES, AND UNIONS;
SHEWING
Their Extent and Population; their Agricultural and Mineral Productions;
Trade and Commerce; Markets and Fairs; Charities and Public Institutions;
Churches and Chapels; the Value, and the Patrons and Incumbents,
of the Benefices; the Lords of the Manors and Owners of the Soil and
Tithes; the Addresses of the Inhabitants, the Public Conveyances; the
Seats of Nobility and Gentry;
MAGISTRATES AND PUBLIC OFFICERS;
And a Variety of other
AGRICULTURAL, STATISTICAL, & BIOGRAPHICAL
INFORMATION.
IN ONE VOLUME, WITH A MAP OF THE COUNTIES.

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PREFACE

Trade Directories are an invaluable research tool for both historians and genealogists when combined with censuses. The majority not only contain information on Trades, industry and people in towns and villages but also provide an overview of the history of the place. William White's History, Gazetteer and Directories, of Leicestershire as illustrated on the front cover, is a particularly valuable resource. *White's Directories* were a series of directory publications issued by William White of Sheffield, England, beginning in the 1820s.

In Britain, the first recognisable directories emerged during the late seventeenth century, meeting a growing demand for accurate information about trade and industry. An invaluable primary source for historians, and an essential tool for local, urban and family history, they provide first hand data about local communities, their infrastructure and the individuals inhabiting those communities and include:

- descriptions of cities, parishes, towns and villages, and may include geographical, historical and statistical details
- information about local facilities, institutions and associations
- listings for private residents, traders, trades and professions
- details of important people
- advertisements

Development of directories

The earliest directories were established by entrepreneurial publishers in response to the expansion of trade or evolved from the lists of traders kept by the earliest registry offices. Large scale directories started to emerge in the late eighteenth century and by the early nineteenth century methods of compilation had become more organised. In part, this reflected the growing links between directories and the Post Office with many postal officials, such as Frederick Kelly, turning their hand to directory publishing as a means of both aiding their work and making some extra money. The heyday of the trade directory was the early twentieth century peaking in 1936, with around 320 directories appearing. After World War II trade directories faced growing competition from telephone directories, particularly for business and commercial use and by 1950 large scale production and use declined.

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WILLIAM WHITE'S HISTORY, GAZETTEER & DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND - 1846

NAME	PROFESSION OR TRADES
JOHN ASHER	VICTUALLER - THE GATE.
LUCY ASNETT	SCHOOL MISTRESS (NATIONAL SCHOOL?)
REV. THOMAS NAYLAND BLAND	RECTOR
JOSHUA BRANSON	BRICK AND TILE MAKER
JOHN BRANSON	STORY ARMS - VICTUALLER.
JONATHON WRIGHT BRANSON	GROCER AND DRUGGIST
THOMAS GILBERT (JUNIOR AND SENIOR)	SHOEMAKER
THOMAS JOHNSON	BUTCHER
THEOPHILUS HENRY HASTINGS KELK	MASTER OF THE FREE GRAMMAR SCHOOL
GEORGE MEAKIN	SHOPKEEPER
RALPH POPE	SHOPKEEPER AND VICTUALLER - ROYAL OAK
.....RATCLIFFE	LIME BURNER
JOHN ROE	SHOPKEEPER
MR SAMUEL SMALLWOOD	AGED 97
MARY ELIZABETH YOUNGHUSBAND	BOARDING SCHOOL
WILLIAM AND STEPHEN BAILEY	BLACKSMITHS
WILLIAM GILBERT	BLACKSMITH

WILLIAM BRANSON	FARMER
JAMES CLARK	FARMER AND LIME BURNER
WILLIAM HOLLOWAY	FARMER
BENJAMIN JOHNSON	FARMER AND OWNER OF HALL FARM
JAMES MACKIE	FARMER
HENRY MILES	FARMER
JOSEPH MOZLEY	FARMER
THOMAS WALE	FARMER AND WHEELWRIGHT
SAMUEL BLACK	FARMER
THEOPHILUS IRONMONGER	FARMER

**MELVILLE & CO DIRECTORY AND GAZETTEER OF LEICS
1854**

CLERGY, GENTRY ETC.	
REV. T. N. BLAND B.A. – RECTOR	
REV. T. H. H. KELK B.A.	
MR. W. H. KELK	
NAME	TRADE OR PROFESSION
JOHN ASHER	BEER RETAILER AND FARMER
WILLIAM AND STEPHEN BAILEY	BLACKSMITHS AND GRAZIERS
SAMUEL BLACK	WHEELWRIGHT
JOHN THORPE BRANSON	VICTUALLER – STORY ARMS
JOHN WRIGHT BRANSON	DRUGGIST AND GROCER
JOSIAH BRANSON	FARMER
WILLIAM BRANSON	FARMER
THOMAS CLARK	FARMER
WILLIAM DAVENPORT	PARISH CLARK
WILLIAM GILBERT	BLACKSMITH
JOHN GREEN	BEER RETAILER AND CARRIER

THOMAS JAMES	FARMER
THOMAS JOHNSON	FARMER
THOMAS KING	CARRIER
JAMES MACKIE	FARMER
GEORGE MEAKIN	FARMER
HENRY MILES	FARMER
JOSEPH MOSELY	FARMER
ELIZABETH POPE	BEER RETAILER
JOHN ROWE (Roe?)	SHOPKEEPER
JAMES SMITHARD	TAILOR
THOMAS WALE	FARMER
YOUNGHUSBAND, THE MISSES	SEMINARY

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY OF LEICS & RUTLAND 1855

CLERGY, GENTRY ETC.	
REV. THOMAS N BLAND – RECTOR	
MRS. JOHNSON	
REV. T H H KELK B.A.	
WILLIAM HYDE KELK ESQ.	
NAME	TRADE OR PROFESSION
JOHN ASHER	FARMER AND BEER RETAILER
MRS MARY AULT	MISTRESS OF INFANT SCHOOL
WILLIAM BAILEY	FARMER AND BLACKSMITH
SAMUEL BLACK	WHEELWRIGHT
JOHN THORPE BRANSON	VICTUALLER – STORY ARMS
JOHN WRIGHT BRANSON	SHOPKEEPER
JOSIAH BRANSON	SCHOOL ?????
JAMES CLARK	FARMER
RALPH COWLEY	FARMER
THOMAS GILBERT	FARMER
WILLIAM GILBERT	BLACKSMITH
JOHN GREEN	BEER RETAILER, BRICK MAKER AND CARRIER

THOMAS JOHNSON	FARMER THE HALL
THOMAS KING	CARRIER
JAMES MACKIE	FARMER
HENRY MILES	FARMER
JOSEPH MOSELY	FARMER
SAMUEL MOSELY	BUTCHER
JOHN ROE	SHOPKEEPER
CHARLES. E. WARNER	BOARDING SCHOOL & MASTER OF GRAMMAR SCHOOL
LETTERS ARE RECEIVED THROUGH LOUGHBOROUGH	

COMMERCIAL DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE 1861

NAME	TRADE OR PROFESSION
JOHN ASHER	VICTUALLER, - GATE INN
MARY AULT	SCHOOL MISTRESS (INFANT)
SAMUEL BLACK	WHEELWRIGHT
RE. THOMAS N BLAND B.A.	RECTOR
JOSIAH BRANSON	SCHOOL MASTER ??????????
ELIZA BRANSON	VICTUALLER – STORY ARMS
WILLIAM GOODMAN & WILLIAM RENNOCKS	SHOE MAKERS
JOHN OLDACRE	TAILOR
HENRY RENNOCKS	VICTUALLER – ROYAL OAK
DRAYTON WALKER	CORN DEALER
EDWIN CHARLES WARNER	SCHOOL MASTER (GRAMMAR SCHOOL)
STEPHEN BAILEY & WILLIAM GILBERT	BLACKSMITHS
JOHN ASHER, STEPHEN BAILEY, JOHN BILLINGS, THOMAS BOSTOCK, WILLIAM BRANSON, THOMAS GILBERT, WILLIAM HOLLOWAY, WILLIAM KIDGER, JOSEPH MACKIE, HENRY MILES, JOSEPH MOSELY	ALL FARMERS
JOHN BRANSON, WILLIAM GOODMAN, JOHN ROE	SHOPKEEPERS
KING AND VARNAM	CARRIERS TO ASHBY AND LOUGHBOROUGH

HISTORY, GAZETTEER & DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND 1863

NAME	PROFESSION OR TRADE
MARY AULT	MISTRESS – NATIONAL SCHOOL
SAMUEL BLACK	WHEELWRIGHT
REV. THOMAS NAYLOR BLAND B.A.	RECTOR
THOMAS BOSTOCK, GENT	MOUNT PLEASANT
CHARLES BRANSON	TAILOR
JOSIAH BRANSON	SCHOOLMASTER
WILLIAM DAVENPORT	PARISH CLERK
MR. WILLIAM HOLLOWAY / MRS. SARAH JOHNSON, MRS. ELIZABETH AND MRS. ESTHER	
JOSEPH PLATTS	SADLER
THOMAS VARNHAM	BUTCHER
CHARLES EDWIN WARNER	MASTER OF THE FREE GRAMMAR SCHOOL
JOHN ASHER	THE GATE INN
HENRY RENNOCK	VICTUALLER - ROYAL OAK
ELIZA BRANSON	STORY ARMS
STEPHEN LEEDHAM BAILEY	BLACKSMITH
WILLIAM GILBERT	BLACKSMITH
WILLIAM GOODMAN	BOOT AND SHOE MAKER

WILLIAM RENNOCKS AND JNO.	BOOT AND SHOE WHOLESALE
STEPHEN LEEDHAM BAILEY	FARMER
JOHN BILLING	FARMER
WILLIAM BRANSON	FARMER
GEORGE FIELDS	OSGATHORPE HALL FARM
THOMAS GILBERT	FARMER
JOSEPH MACKIE	FARMER
HENRY MILES	FARMER
JOSEPH MOSELY	FARMER
JAMES POWDRILL	FARMER
JOHN AND DRAYTON WALKER	FARMER
J.WRIGHT BRANSON	GROCER
WILLIAM GOODMAN	GROCER
WILLIAM RENNOCKS	GROCER
JOHN ROE	GROCER
THOMAS KING AND JOHN BILLING - CARRIERS	LOUGHBOROUGH AND ASHBY (THURS AND SAT)

HARROD & Co's DIRECTORY OF DERBY'S & LEICS 1870

MISS GILBERT	MISTRESS – NATIONAL SCHOOL
CHARLES WARNER	HEADMASTER – GRAMMAR SCHOOL
REV. WALTER AUGUSTUS WILLIAMS M.A.	RECTOR
MRS. MARY ANN HUDDLESTONE	NATIONAL SCHOOL MISTRESS
NAME	GENERAL TRADES
SAMUEL BLACK	WHEELWRIGHT
CHARLES BRANSON	TAILOR
MRS ELIZABETH BRANSON	VICTUALLER - STORY ARMS
JOHN W BRANSON	GROCER
STEPHEN DEAVILLE	BLACKSMITH
WILLIAM GILBERT	BLACKSMITH
WILLIAM GOODMAN	GROCER & BOOT AND SHOE MAKER
GEORGE KING	BOOT AND SHOE MAKER
WILLIAM KING	VICTUALLER – ROYAL OAK
JOSEPH PLATTS	SADDLE AND HARNESS MAKER
WILLIAM & JOHN RENNOCKS	BOOT AND SHOE MANUFACTURERS
WILLIAM RENNOCKS	GROCER
JOHN ROE	GROCER
RANDALL UPTON	VICTUALLER – GATE INN

FARMERS	
STEPHEN DEAVILLE	
HERBERT HOLLINGSHEAD	
WILLIAM KIDGER ,Sen.,	AND LANDOWNER
JOSEPH MACKIE	AND LANDOWNER
HENRY MILES	
JOSEPH MOSELY	AND LAND OWNER
JAMES POWDRILL	
JOHN & WILLIAM RENNOCKS	
WILLIAM TANSER	
RANDALL UPTON	
JOHN PUXLEY WHITE	

**POST OFFICE DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE AND
RUTLAND – 1876**

CLERGY AND GENTRY ETC.	
MRS BREATON	
MRS COOPER	
MRS MITCHELL	
MRS PYEMONT	
JOHN PUXLEY WHITE	
REV. WALTER AUGUSTUS WILLIAMS M.A.	RECTOR
NAME	PROFESSION OR TRADE
CHARLES BRANSON	TAILOR
MRS ELIZA BRANSON	VICTUALLER - STORY ARMS
JOHN WRIGHT BRANSON	SHOPKEEPER
JOSIAH BRANSON	SCHOOL MASTER
JAMES BROOKS	VICTUALLER - ROYAL OAK
STEPHEN DEAVILLE	FARMER
SAMUEL FARMER	BLACKSMITH
JAMES GILBERT	FARMER
WILLIAM GILBERT	BLACKSMITH
WILLIAM GOODMAN	SHOPKEEPER

HERBERT HOLLINGHEAD	FARMER
THOMAS KING	CARRIER
JOSEPH MACKIE	FARMER
HENRY MILES	FARMER
JOSEPH MOSELY	FARMER
JOSEPH PLATTS	SADLER
THOMAS PLATTS	SHOPKEEPER
JAMES POWDRILL	FARMER
JOSEPH RANDALL UPTON	BEER RETAILER – GATE INN

**KELLY'S DIRECTORY OF
LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND (PT 2) - 1891**

CLERGY OR GENTRY ETC.	
MISS BRANSON	
MRS FARMER	
MRS MILLER	
EDWARD E SERRES	MASTER OF GRAMMAR SCHOOL
JOHN JAMES SERRES	LIVING WHITE HOUSE – SURGEON (Osgathorpe House ??)
MISS SIDDONS	
MRS VIBERT	
MISS WALE	
MRS WASSE	
REV. WALTER AUGUSTUS WILLIAMS	RECTOR
COMMERCIAL	PROFESSION OR TRADE
AUSTIN BALLS	GRAZIER
JOSEPH BILLINGS	BLACKSMITH
JAMES BROOKS	FARMER
WILLIAM DARBY	CARRIER
JOHN DAVIS	VICTUALLER - ROYAL OAK
CHARLES GADSBY	VICTUALLER - GATE INN

WILLIAM GILBERT	COWKEEPER
WILLIAM GOODMAN	SHOPKEEPER AND SHOE MANUFACTURER
MRS MARY JOHNSON	FARMER
GEORGE KING	SHOE MAKER AND CARRIER
JOSEPH KING	CARRIER
WILLIAM KING	COW KEEPER
JAMES LAKIN	CARRIER AND GRAZIER
MRS ELIZABETH MACKIE	GRAZIER
WILLIAM PEPPER	VICTUALLER - STORY ARMS
THOMAS PLATTS	SHOPKEEPER
MRS MARY POWDRILL	FARMER
GEORGE ROADLEY	FARMER
JOHN STATHAM	SHOE MAKER
<p>WILLIAM DAVENPORT WAS THE PARISH CLERK</p> <p>MRS CAROLINE SMITH – RECIEVER (PRESUMABLY ONLY TOOK IN MAIL)</p> <p>POSTAL ORDERS ISSUED HERE BUT NOT PAID FOR</p>	

KELLY'S DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND 1908

CLERGY, GENTRY ETC.	
MRS FARMER	
MRS MILLER	
LADY MORTON	
MRS SIDDONS	
REV. HENRY MORRISON WILLIAMS M.A.	RECTOR
COMMERCIAL	PROFESSION OR TRADE
ERNEST SAMUEL ATKINSON M.R.C.S. ENG., L.C.R.P. LONDON.	PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
JOSEPH BILLING	COWKEEPER
JOSEPH BIRD	COWKEEPER
JOHN EMMERSON	VICTUALLER - ROYAL OAK
SAMUEL FLETCHER	HALL FARM
GEORGE KING	SHOE MAKER AND CARRIER
JOSEPH KING	FARMER
WILLIAM KING	COWKEEPER
JOSEPH LAGER	FARMER AND BUTCHER
JAMES LAKIN	CARRIER AND GRAZIER
THOMAS PLATTS	SHOPKEEPER

MRS GEORGE ROADLEY	FARMER
JOHN SIDDONS	FARMER
WILLIAM A SIDDONS	VICTUALLER - GATE INN AND FARMER
CHARLES SMITH	SHOPKEEPER
GEORGE SMITH	FARMER
GEORGE HARRY SPENCER	VICTUALLER - STORY ARMS
JOHN STATHAM	SHOE MAKER
EDWARD CHARLES TOWNLEY	COWKEEPER
<p>CHARLES SMITH IS THE SUB – POST MASTER</p> <p>JAMES LAKIN – CARRIER TO ASHBY AND LOUGHBOROUGH</p> <p>GEORGE KING – CARRIER TO LOUGHBOROUGH</p>	

KELLY'S DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND- 1912

PRIVATE RESIDENTS	
SAMUEL ERNEST ATKINSON	
MRS. FARMER	
REV. JAMES HENRY FRY M.A.	RECTOR (RECTORY)
MISS MILLER	
LADY MORTON	
MISS SIDDONS	
COMMERCIAL	PROFESSION OR TRADE
WILLIAM FREDERICK ABBOT	SHOPKEEPER AND POST OFFICE
ERNEST SAMUEL ATKINSON M.R.C.S. ENG., L.R.C.P. LONDON	PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
JOSEPH BILLING	COWKEEPER
WILLIAM DUNSMORE	BLACKSMITH
JOHN EMMERSON	VICTUALLER - ROYAL OAK
MISS CATHERINE FLETCHER	FARMER – HALL FARM
JOHN WILLIAM KING	COWKEEPER
MRS. SARAH KING	CARRIER
WILLIAM KING	COW KEEPER
JOSEPH LAGER	FARMER AND BUTCHER

ALBERT LAKIN	FARMER
HARRY MARSDEN	VICTUALLER – STORY ARMS
JARVIS MILLWARD	COWKEEPER
JAMES RICHARDS	FARMER
WILLIAM SIDDONS	VICTUALLER GATE INN AND FARMER
JOHN SLATER	CARRIER AND GRAZIER
ALBERT SMITH	SHOP KEEPER
GEORGE SMITH	FARMER
FREDERICK WILLIAM ABBOT WAS THE SUB – POSTMASTER	

**KELLY'S DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE
AND RUTLAND - 1916**

CLERGY AND GENTRY ETC.	
SAMUEL ERNEST ATKINSON	
MRS MILLER	
LADY MORTON	
REV. MARTIN NICHOLAS RAY	RECTOR
MISS SIDDONS	
COMMERCIAL	PROFESSION OR TRADE
WILLIAM FREDERICK ABBOT	SHOPKEEPER AND POST OFFICE
ERNEST SAMUEL ATKINSON M.R.C.S. ENG., L.R.C.P. LONDON	PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
JOSEPH BILLING	COWKEEPER
JOHN EMMERSON	VICTUALLER - ROYAL OAK
MISS CATHERINE FLETCHER	FARMER – HALL FARM
JOHN WILLIAM KING	COWKEEPER
JOSEPH LAGER	FARMER AND BUTCHER
ALBERT LAKIN	FARMER
JARVIS MILLWARD	COWKEEPER
WILLIAM ALFRED PERRY	VICTUALLER - GATE INN
THOMAS SIDDONS	GRAZIER

WILLIAM A SIDDONS	FARMER AND ASSISTANT OVERSEER
ALBERT SMITH	SHOPKEEPER
GEORGE SMITH	FARMER
JOHN WILLIAM SPRINGTHORPE	VICTUALLER - STORY ARMS
FREDERICK WILLIAM ABBOT WAS THE SUB - POSTMASTER	