

DORE to DOOR

DORE VILLAGE SOCIETY

SPRING 1989

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Spring Meeting
8pm Wednesday 3rd May 1989
Old Village School

Speaker: David Hey on History in the Countryside.

Dore Festival 1989

Following the first festival held last year in the week after the Scout gala, it is proposed to hold the second festival at the same time this year.

Last year there were such diverse activities as open rehearsals, art on the Village Green, an open evening in the Church belfry and a special peal.

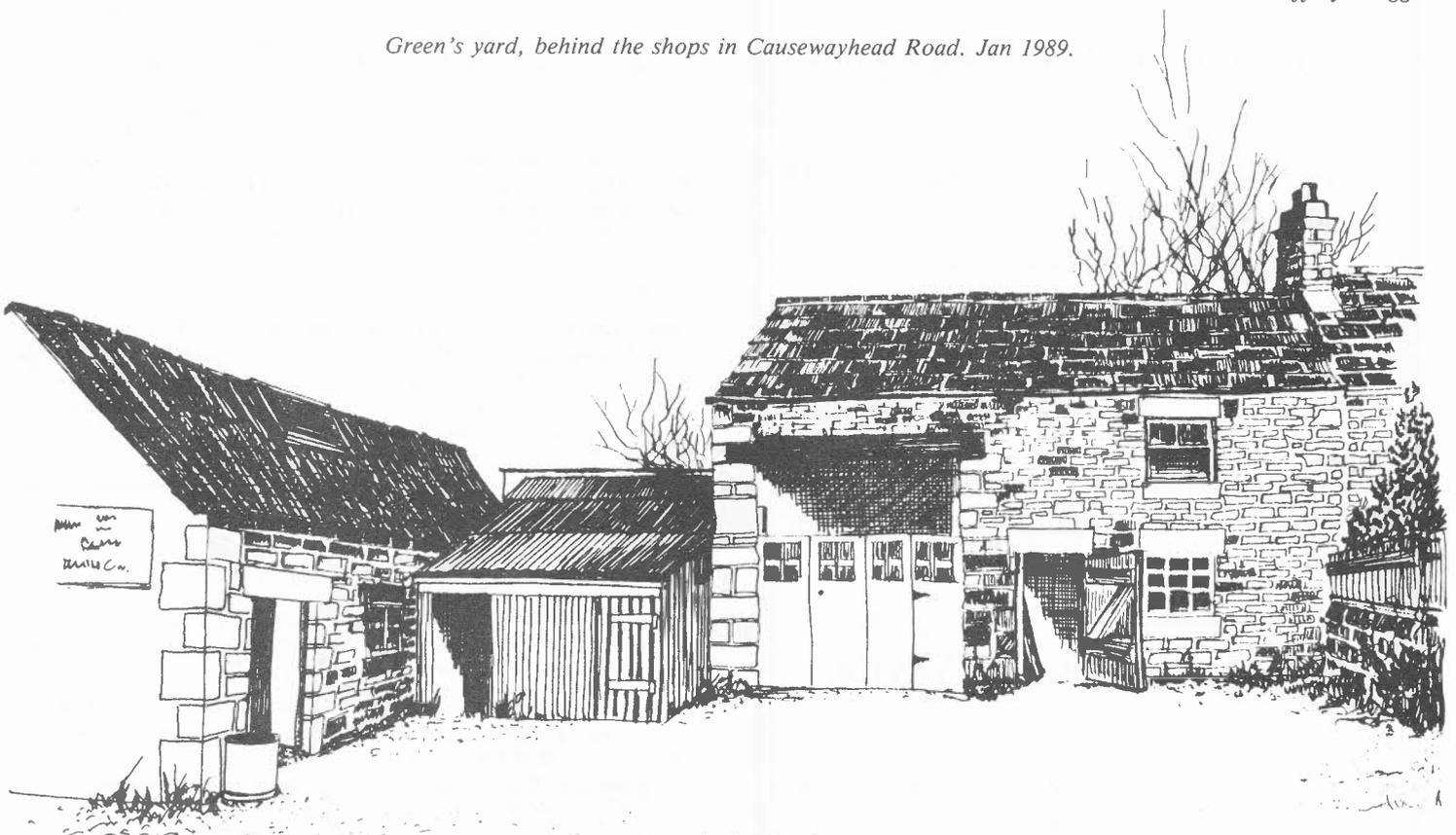
Letters will shortly be sent to organisations in Dore asking them to join in this year's festival. The aim is to provide a showcase for local groups to publicise their activities, recruit new members or raise funds.

If your organisation is interested in taking part, please contact Andrew Bownes for further details.

A special issue of Dore to Door will publicise the various events and it is hoped that our readers will give their enthusiastic support.

Green's yard A planning application has been made to convert the main building in Green's Yard into a photographic studio.

Green's yard, behind the shops in Causewayhead Road. Jan 1989.



R.G. Moffat

Christ Church Appeal

It is many years since major repairs were carried out at the Church, and now that Christ Church Cottage has been sold the Church Council has the interest from the capital sum which can be used to help pay for urgently needed repairs.

Working to a five year plan, we aim to carry out immediate repairs to the Nave roof, renew the Tower roof, and repair the Vestry roofs; then in the next four years it will be necessary to renew the Chancel roof, have the Church decorated inside and out, repair boundary walls, and the biggest single item will be the repairs to the bells.

We have a ring of eight bells which are in regular demand by both Yorkshire and Derbyshire ringers as they are considered the finest set of bells in South Yorkshire, as an expert recently told me. Unfortunately they are now in an almost dangerous state and can only be rung for services, until major repairs are done. The cost of all this will be eight thousand pounds, i.e. for the bells alone.

In addition the organ will need a thorough clean and overhaul. The cost of this alone is likely to be £4,000 plus VAT. Interest on our capital will not even begin to cover the costs, therefore the Church Council are to hold a house to house collection soon and we hope you will feel able to give generously.

1989 is our 160th Anniversary year, and this is an excellent way to celebrate it, by "putting our own house in order". Please do your best. Further celebrations to mark the 160th year will take place in September: special services, Flower Festival (Sept. 8-10th), concerts, etc. Details later.

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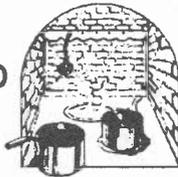
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Bessie Colley

Bessie Colley was born at Church Lane Farm on Church Lane (now Vicarage Lane) in a house which had been occupied by her family for over 300 years.

Bessie followed her mother to Dore Church School and remembers Miss Dobbs, Miss Hodkin and the headmaster Sidney Speight.

When the 125th Brownie Pack was formed in 1932 by Mary Benton, Bessie was one of the first Brownies. Later she became a Girl Guide.

In 1965 the 124th Brownies were formed with Maureen Griffin as Brown Owl and Bessie as Tawny Owl, a position she held until 1982.

After leaving school, where she was a fellow pupil with Walter Colley, who was to become her husband, Bessie worked at a cutlers in Carver Street. She was also a Sunday school teacher and part-time student at the Art College, attending three evenings a week for three years. When the war began she joined the A.R.P. After walking to Beauchief to catch a tram to work, Bessie sometimes went straight to the Art College after work, and then spent the night as a telephonist in the A.R.P., first in a cellar at the Hen and Chickens, and later at 60 Westbourne Road, now the home of Radio Sheffield.

Bessie, who had been christened and confirmed at Christ Church, Dore, was married there in 1947 to Walter, and set up home in Topley, later moving to Furniss Avenue. They have two children and two grandchildren.

When she died in 1971, Bessie's aunt, Dora Fletcher, left Sycamore Cottage to Bessie, and after renovating it, Bessie and Walter moved in. The cottage, which is a listed building, had been two cottages. A small part on the end had been built on many years ago to accommodate Miss Burns, a teacher at Dore Church School. It was later occupied by Matilda Farnsworth, then Mrs. Illingworth and finally by Mrs. Clark.

When Bessie's mother died in 1976, Church Lane Farm was left to Bessie and her sister. This was then sold, severing a long link with the family.

Bessie's grandfather, J. Fletcher, who moved into Sycamore Cottage on his marriage about a hundred years ago, built the Church Lych Gate in 1884 at the age of 21. He also did the woodwork in the Chancel and the new organ chamber, work for which Bessie still has the accounts. Together with Bessie's uncle and her father, Colin Brooke, he was a member of Dore Gardens Allotment Society.

Bessie owns many fascinating documents relating to her family. A valuation dated 1829 of the inventory of John Grey of Dore, her great-grandfather, lists his wheelbarrow, smithy tools and his manure heap! His hand-embroidered smock which Bessie owns, still has his red handkerchief in the pocket. Other documents include the last will of Keturah Grey, dated 1847, signed by Richard Furness, in which she left items including her "Wolsey bedcover" to her daughter, wife of John Flint of Dore.

Bessie now enjoys cruising holidays with Walter, is a Trustee of Dore Old School and Charity Land Trust, a member of Mercia Townswomen's Guild and also finds time to help at "Open Door". As a member of the Trefoil Guild, an organisation for retired guides and scouts she continues her lifelong support to guiding.

Eye on the Sky

Are you thinking of installing a satellite TV dish?

We understand from the Planning Office that planning consent will be required for locally listed buildings *within* the Conservation Area, (i.e. most of the old stone buildings in Dore).

Planning consent is not required for dwellings outside the Conservation area provided: a) that the dish is not greater than 90cm in diameter, b) that there is no other dish on the dwelling or within its grounds c) that the dish is not mounted higher than the highest part of the building.

If in doubt further advice can be obtained from the Planning Office on 734181/2 or 734239.



Dore Club

The building now known as “Dore Club” is situated on Townhead Road below the Church Hall. It was originally built as a barn used for the stabling of horses and cows. The actual age of the building is not known but it is shown on the O.S. map of 1876 as part of the farmstead, the old farmhouse adjoining the building. The animals were watered from a trough in the High Street, next to the corner shop. Adjoining the barn were pig styies and what is now the car park used to be allotments.

The farm was owned by the Marshall family, who also had a shop in the village well known for its hams and bacon. The farmer’s daughter died when an epidemic of diphtheria swept through the village in 1915.

An unidentified body which was found on the moors above the barn, was laid out there until it could be identified.

In 1921 the farmer permitted the Dore branch of the British Legion to rent the barn for use as a club. This was run by George Bowes and William Veall.

William Veall also ran the Dore Home Guard, which used to meet in a large hut where the Church Hall now stands and practice bareback riding on the football field next to it.

The club was also headquarters to Dore Brass Band, who used to practice there every Sunday morning. The conductor was Shirley Taylor and his seven sons all played in the band.

Several years later the building was bought from Mr. Marshall by Hope and Anchor Breweries (now Bass Charringtons) with the intention of turning it into the Hare and Hounds. However they then decided to alter the existing Hare and Hounds, so it remained as the British Legion.

Weekly films were shown there for the children of the village, and many of the old people of Dore recall their first experience of “moving pictures” in the club.

The building remained as it was until the Dore branch of the Legion was wound up in 1946. At this time a committee of local men was formed and the premises were taken over for use as a private members club known as “The Dore Club.” The first president of the club was Mr. Albert Belk. Shortly afterwards the members bought the club from Hope and Anchor Breweries and it still remains the property of Dore Club.

In 1948 Dore Club got together with the Hare and Hounds and the Devonshire Arms to organise a village gala to celebrate the end of the second world war. It was held on the football field above the Church Hall where there were races and competitions and games for the children, and a tea party in the Church Hall.

During the 1950s the club held annual flower and vegetable shows in a marquee in the car park.

Exactly what goes on in Dore Club today is every womans guess, for it is strictly ‘gentlemen only’.

Open Door

Look out for the sign “Open Door” displayed each Thursday morning on Totley Brook Road and Chatsworth Road — pathways to the United Reformed Church Hall. “Open Door”, now in its third year, is a non-profit making venture supported by members of the Totley churches and friends from the local community. We have a warm welcoming room, where friendship is always on offer — where you may meet old friends or make new ones over a cup of tea or coffee. Up-to-date information is available about organisations which may be of assistance in specific situations. The local Health Visitor attends once a month to give advice on health matters. There may be times — as happens to all of us — when you feel the need for a listening ear; there is always a helper at “Open Door” who will listen to anything you wish to say — be it a large matter or a small concern — and who will try to give you what is needed in the way of support and guidance.

Whether you are just passing, feel like company — or just want to rest your feet — try “Open Door”, The Church Hall, Totley Brook Road, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon every Thursday.

Dore Show 1989

This year’s Dore show will be held on Saturday 9th September in the Old Village School. The format will be similar to last year and a revised class list will be available from Green’s shop shortly.

Now is the time to plan your planting — we would like to see more entries in the fruit, vegetable and flower sections, weather permitting. Also if you are prepared to help with the organisation of the Show, we would be pleased to hear from you.

News in Brief

Dore Brasserie — Welcome to Paula and Gerry Palfreyman from Leeds, proprietors of the Dore Brasserie restaurant which has taken over from the Mogul Room in Church Lane. The restaurant has been refurbished in a cottage style atmosphere and offers a range of French and English dishes. Paula and Gerry are no newcomers to the area, having in the past run both the Waggon and Horses in Millhouses and Fannys at Owlter Bar.

Craft Fair — After the very successful craft fair last year, Totley Library intend holding another this summer. It will start on the 22nd May and last for a week. If you do any sort of craft work, whether knitting, crochet, lace-making, woodwork, or whatever, and would like to display your work or demonstrate your particular craft, they'd like to hear from you.

Please ring Pauline Rosser at Totley Library, 205 Baslow Road, Sheffield, 17. Tel: 363067.

New Bus Service — The number 5 bus from Sheffield Bus Station runs past Sainsburys on Charter Row, and along Ecclesall Road to Dore. It leaves Sheffield at 7.30am and then every 45 minutes. Service starts from Dore at 8.30am and every 45 minutes Monday to Friday only.

Factory Noise — Complaints are still being recieved about noise from the factory on Baslow Road. An environmental health technician from Sheffield City Council Health & consumer Services has described the sound as "annoying", but states that it cannot be described as "a statutory nuisance".

Anyone wishing to register their concern should contact Mr. B.P.G. Worne on 363688.

New Nursery School — parents of pre-school children will be pleased to note that a new nursery school will be starting at the Old School on Thursday February 23rd 1989. First Steps Nursery School will

be open, on Thursdays and Fridays offering morning and afternoon sessions. The school is run by Lynne Stuart and Margaret Peart. They are happy to provide interested parents with copies of an information brochure. Just ring 365712 or 368100.

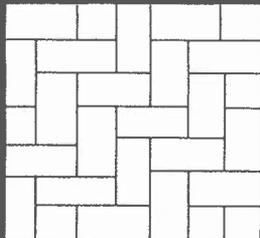
Replacement Trees — some 19 trees will be felled and new ones planted in Cavendish Avenue this year following mistakes by Council workers when applying herbicides in preparation for laying new footpaths. The cost is put at £4,917.

Christmas Farewell — At their Christmas party on 16 December Dore under-fives said goodbye to Mrs Susan Joel, who had run the Playschool in the Church Hall since 1971. On behalf of past and present parents and friends Mrs. Rosemary Harrison presented her with a photograph album of Playschool activities and a travel voucher for £100. Mrs Maureen Haworth, who has worked with Mrs. Joel since 1978, is now in charge and can be contacted on 366771.

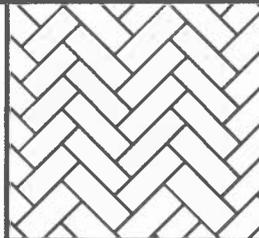
Rate Relief for the disabled

Anyone who pays rates can apply to have the reateable value of their home reduced if someone with a disability lives there. The kind of disability is not important, but it must mean that the person needs one or more of the features on which you can claim a reduction, such as wheelchair space, garage or carport, or an additional toilet. It also applies if someone sleeps downstairs because they can't manage the stairs. We are sure that many people with disabilities will increase their income by applying for Rate Relief. Rate Relief is not the same as rent rebate, the rateable value of your home is reduced and this does not depend on the income or savings of people who apply.

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Totley Tunnel

Throughout the nineteenth century there were several plans to improve the link between the large industrial cities of Sheffield and Manchester by road, canal and railway. It was not until 1893 that the Dore and Chinley railway line was opened for goods traffic and June 1894 saw the first passengers cross the Pennines by this route.

The greatest achievement of this railway was the construction of the Totley tunnel — 3 miles and 950 yards long. In October 1888, work began at both Totley and Grindleford. The line of the tunnel had been set out from three high points — Bradway Summit, the moor above the tunnel and on Sir William Hill, Grindleford. A line was laid out on the ground and small shafts were bored at intervals. The line and depth of the tunnel was established by suspending weighted wires, of known length, down shafts and by the use of a theodolite at the headings. The accuracy of this method was such that when the headings met, the centre line was only 4½" out of line horizontally and 2¼" vertically.

Four permanent shafts were sunk within a mile of the Totley end. These were used both for ventilation and as a base for the excavation of the headings. The main problem was water, which flooded into the tunnel. In June 1889, 26,000 gallons of water were being pumped away each hour. As the miners tunnelled, they were followed by bricklayers who arched the tunnel — the sides being lined with large blocks of stone with brick arches above. Many of the bricks used were produced locally at the Totley Moor works. By August 1889 boring was progressing at the rate of 18 yards each week.

Working conditions were poor, with lighting by tallow candles and always with the danger of great rushes of water. 163 tons of gelignite were used to blast away the rock, the waste material being hauled up above ground and dumped.

Many labourers were brought in to help with the work. They arrived with their wives and families. Accommodation was provided in huts built around the shafts and many lodged in houses in the area. The crescent of shops on Totley Rise was then a row of houses — known as Bricky Row.

There were many complaints about the rough behaviour of the navvies. Drunkenness was common, much of the money earned being spent in the alehouses of Dore and Totley. The nomadic lifestyle of the navvies was not conducive to a good education or healthy practices.

There was a smallpox outbreak in 1893, which caused deaths amongst this group, who had not been vaccinated. There are 17 entries in the Register of Burials at Dore Church between March and July 1893, which have S.P. after the name. Of these eleven were infants and children. Seven died at the Smallpox Hospital, Totley, which was sited at Green Oak.

The relevant entries in the register were:-

Arthur Blakemore S.P.	Totley Bents	March 12th	30 years
Mare Ann Blakemore S.P.	Totley Bents	March 13th	12 weeks
Elizabeth Jane Carter S.P.	No 4 Shaft, Totley Moor	March 14th	5months
Kate Blakemore S.P.	Totley Bents	March 18th	2 years
James Williams S.P.	Green Oak, Totley	April 5th	24 years
Benjamin Gittens S.P.	Hill Side, Totley	April 11th	38 years
Florence Bishop S.P.	Totley Moor	April 24th	3 weeks
Elizabeth Martin S.P.	Green Oak, Totley	April 24th	10 years
John William Holtham S.P.	Totley Hill Side	April 24th	2 years
George Fredrick Lockett S.P.	Totley	April 25th	5 months
Alice Martin S.P.	Green Oak, Totley	April 26th	11 years
Thomas Leach S.P.	Totley Rise	April 30th	47 years
Joseph Preston S.P.	Green Oak, Totley	May 5th	3 weeks
Walter Holtham S.P.	Totley	May 5th	5 months
Thomas Fuller S.P.	Green Oak, Totley	May 15th	38 years.
Frederick Russell S.P.	Green Oak, Totley	May 31st.	
Emily Bird S.P.	Smallpox Hospital	June 16th	1 yr 11 months



Entrance to Totley Tunnel



Shaft No. 1

In the Dore churchyard, near to the junction of Church Lane and Vicarage Lane, stand six simple gravestones approximately 8" to 1' high. We shall never know the human story behind these deaths.



**Next deadline for Summer Diary entries
3rd May, 1989**

Can you help?

Ex-Servicemen — A group of Exservicemen in this area have joined together to form a club known as "The Friends of Longshaw". They meet once a month for a quiet chat and a drink to recreate that Spirit of Friendship and Companionship that they found in their service days.

New members are cordially invited. If you are interested in meeting ex-servicemen and are ex-service yourself you're invited to join them over a friendly chat and a drink at their headquarters. The Norfolk Arms, Ringinglow, on the second Monday of each month at 8pm.

If you would like further information on membership please contact the Secretary Mr. L. Hadfield, 27 Strathtay Road, Sheffield, S11 7GU. Telephone (0742) 662009.

Dore Methodist Luncheon Club — A weekly Luncheon Club for the housebound and elderly commenced in early January. This is held every Wednesday from 11am to 2pm, with visitors being brought to the church by Transport 17 minibus.

If anyone would like to help, either weekly or on a rota basis, it would be much appreciated. Please contact Mrs Margaret Lloyd, Phone Sheffield 363505. Coffee and biscuits are being served every Saturday morning from 10am-12noon in the schoolroom. This is open to *everyone*, so do 'drop in' for a drink and chat — you will be very welcome.

The South Yorkshire Foundation — The foundation was set up about 18 months ago with the aim of supporting worthwhile projects in the communities of South Yorkshire.

So far it has made grants totalling over £10,000 to around 30 organisations in the area. Groups so far supported include Genesis, a performing visual arts centre on Upper Hanover Street and the section of a local archive of historical material relating to the High Green and Chapeltown areas.

The foundations Director is Keith James who previously worked for the NSPCC as Regional Director for Yorkshire. His long term aim is to set up a sufficiently large endowment fund so that income can be used for charitable work.

The foundation welcomes application for grants which should be addressed to 2 Penton Street, Sheffield S1 4EN.

Leader appeal — 267th Sheffield (Dore) Scout Group urgently requires potential scout section leaders and assistant leaders. Minimum age 18 years. Tel: 366633 for further information.

Help with subscriptions

The last issue of Dore to Door included an article headed "Subscriptions 1988-9. The article outlined the Societys wish to extend subscription collection to an area of Dore bounded by Dore Road, Abbeydale Road, Totley Brook and Church Lane and appealed for volunteers to help with this collection. The area contains some 1200-1500 homes all of whom receive Dore to Door upon a regular basis, but yet only a few of the residents in this area are members of the Society. To the surprise and disappointment of the Committee, no new volunteers come forward, and very few responded to the invitation to complete the form, enclose a subscription and return them to the Subscription Member. This surely cannot be a measure of peoples concern for the environment in which we all live. It is said that one person in twenty five has leadership qualities. Where are they in this area? If you are concerned for the community and our environment please offer your services, or at least attend the Spring meeting in the Old School Hall to offer your opinions.

Planning

Abbeydale Sports Club: The Planning Committee of Sheffield City Council has refused planning permission for the erection of 17 houses and eight bungalows on part of Abbeydale Sports Ground.

Opposition came from D.V.S, many local residents, and a petition signed by 65 people and the National Playing Fields Association.

Knowle Green: D.V.S. has no information about who currently owns the Knowle Green site, or future plans for its development.

Model Railway Society

There is no doubt that Dore has been good for the Sheffield Model Railway Society based in the old school. In two years it has progressed from a very modest gathering of like minded enthusiasts to a multi-gauge group catering for the three popular scales of modelling. Membership has increased to the extent that restrictions have had to be imposed to enable numbers to be contained at meetings.

Heartened by the response to our first exhibition last year it is the Society's intention to repeat the exercise on Gala Day 1989 in the hope of establishing the occasion as a quality event in the exhibition calendar.

With the tremendous interest in real steam indicated by the turnout when Mallard steamed majestically through Dore and Totley Station as part of the 50th anniversary of the record run, it is our intention to hold a film evening, probably some time in late Spring.

This will in itself celebrate 21 years since the demise of steam traction on B.R. The accent of the programme will be the latter days of steam with appeal for the enthusiast and the mildly curious alike.

We look forward to renewing acquaintances with many who introduced themselves during our exhibition and in the meantime we welcome a chat on our favourite topic — visitors night third Thursday of each month — Don't Be Shy!

Years Gone By

The following is an extract from the Dore and Totley Parochial Magazine of March 1905.

We have pleasure in continuing our chat on the History of Dore in olden days, and this month the Schools shall be our subject.

A stone built in the oldest part of the present building is dated 1821, which is a record of their foundation, and built by subscription. Before that, the youth of the village sat at the feet of old Mary Nadin, the Schoolmistress, whose humble cottage was the then only academy.

From 1821 to 1851 Richard Furness, schoolmaster, continued an active and valuable member of society. His biographer, the late Dr. G.C. Holland, of Sheffield, writing in 1858, says, "The village and township of Dore contains about 500 inhabitants, employed principally in agriculture." From another source we learn that the population of the chapelry of Dore in 1801 was 375, and of Totley 206. There seems to have been an increase at the next census, for in 1811 the Dore population numbered 398, Totley 238. In 1901, the last census, in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Dore were 281 inhabited houses, with a population of 1316.

Under the Dore Award, certain lands on the Dore Moors were awarded by Government Commissioners in 1822 for provision for a schoolmaster for Dore, and other charitable purposes;

In the minutes of a meeting of the Dore School Trustees, held April, 1821, an interesting reference occurs, viz., "The Commissioners of the Dore Enclosure be requested to allot the Green near the school house to the Trustees of the school and the poor, subject to the use of the well thereon by the inhabitants of the Town!" The following signatures are found written as present at the meeting:— Henry Hancock, D'Ewes Coke, W. A. Ashby, G. W. B. Greaves.

Another meeting held by these worthy men on June 14th, 1821: at the Devonshire Arms, Dore, ordered that an advertisement be published in the "Sheffield Mercury and Iris" of a schoolmaster wanted for the school at Dore. Subsequent history records a momentous choice being made, though strange to say, the minutes make no mention whatever, except we infer from a note that the then occupant of the school house, Thomas Eydes, was ordered to quit on June 22nd, to make room for the newly appointed schoolmaster, and 4/4 to be paid to him on giving up the keys.

The engagement of Richard Furness, in October, 1821, was to instruct 18 children for £18 per annum. The school prospered, and in a few years the Trustees increased the salary from £18 to £30.

No doubt the population increased but slowly in these wild parts, and the log book entry, August 23rd, 1878, states that 39 boys and 35 girls had been in attendance during the week.

The number of children on the books at the Dore School to-day is 160, and at Totley 170."

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MARCH

- 3 Womens World Day of Prayer, Christ Church, Dore, 10.30am, followed by coffee.
- 7 Open Meeting, Christ Church Mothers' Union 2.30pm Old School "Facets of the Falkland Islands" by the Rev. H. Bagnel, OBE.
- 7 Christ Church Ladies Group 7.45pm, Church Hall — "Work of the WRVS" — Mrs P.D. Lambe.
- 7 Marriage Guidance Talk: Relate. Dore Methodist Church. Tuesday Group. 7.45pm. Methodist Schoolroom.
- 8 Abbeydale Flower Company. Dore Evening T.G. 7.30pm. Old School.
- 11 Craft Fair. 10am to 4pm, Old School (Proceeds to 160th Anniversary Christ Church Appeal Fund for Urgent Repairs). Variety of stalls. Refreshments.
- 14 Sheffield International City — Mrs Lindsay Rogers. Dore Mercia T.G. 9.30am. Methodist School Room.
- 18 Disco Dore Parents Ass., Wessex Hall, King Ecgbert's School.
- 21 Lent Service 7.30pm Christ Church — Mothers' Union & Ladies Group.
- 21 Confessions of a Junk Dealer, Mr. E.K. Patnick, Mercia T.G. Social Studies. 9.30 for 10am. Methodist School Room.
- 21 Our Minister, Rev. Michael Brown. Methodist Church. Tuesday Group. 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom.

APRIL

- 4 Christ Church Ladies Group 7.45pm. Church Hall "The Crucible Theatre" — Mrs S Jarratt
- 4 Sheffield Plate. Mrs Melling, Methodist Church, Tuesday Group. 7.45 Methodist Schoolroom.
- 8 Christ Church Ladies Group Jumble Sale 10.30am - noon Old School.
- 11 Creative Collage. Mrs Isobel Blincow Mercia T.G. 9.30am, Methodist School room.
- 12 The Fitzwilliams of Wentworth-slides. Mr R. Young, Dore (E) T.G. 7.30pm, Old School.
- 12 A.G.M. 267th Scout Group Scout H.Q. 8pm.
- 18 Canals of England, Mr P.P. Wild. Mercia T.G. Social Studies Group, 9.30 for 10am, Methodist Schoolroom.
- 18 Speech therapy with children with special needs. Wendy Wellington, Methodist Tuesday Group. 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom.
- 22 Jumble Sale, Dore Democrats, 2pm Old School
- 22 Jumble Sale, Dore Parents Association 2pm, United Reformed Church, Totley Brook Road,

MAY

- 1 Sponsored Walk Christian Aid — from Scout H.Q.
- 2 Christ Church Ladies Group, 7.45pm Church Hall "Well Dressing" - Mr. J. Shimwell of Youlgreave.
- 2 An Artist At Work, W. Kirby, Methodist Tuesday Group, 7.45pm Methodist School Room.
- 3 Dore Village Society Spring Meeting. 8pm. Old Village School.
- 6 "Taste of Wine" Social Event, 267th Social Committee.
- 9 History of Knitting. Mrs C. Fogg, Mercia T.G. 9.30am Methodist School Room.
- 9 Christ Church Mothers' Union — Overseas Fund Raising Event 7.30pm.
- 10 Mr. J. Scarborough Dore (E) T.G., 7.30pm Old School.
- 16 Visit to the Synagogue, Methodist Tuesday Group, 7.45pm Methodist Schoolroom.
- 16 Christ Church Mothers' Union 7.30pm, Church Hall, "Leprosy Mission", The Rev. Hugh McKee.
- 16 Cooking with Soya. Mrs B. Massey, Mercia T.G. Social Studies Group. 9.30 for 10am Methodist Schoolroom.
- 22 Craft Fair all week, Totley Library. For details tel 363067.

JUNE

- 6 Which Colour Suits You? Style Counsel. Methodist Tuesday Group. 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom.

To enter your events in the Diary for June, July, August please phone Stella Wood on 366424.

Abbeydale Education Centre

A range of summer courses will be starting after Easter at the Abbeydale Hall Community Education Centre:

The popular holiday language courses in French (Tuesdays), Greek (Tuesdays), Spanish (Wednesdays), Italian (Wednesdays) and German (Thursdays) all start during week commencing 24 April and run for 5 weeks along with An Introduction to Philosophy (Tuesdays), Cake Icing (Wednesdays) and Know Your Countryside — a natural history course (Thursdays). All courses start at 7.15 p.m.

Dayschools are being offered as follows:

Baskets from the hedgerow — Friday 14 April (linked) enrolling now. Ikebana (Japanese flower arranging) — 24 April
Summer supper parties — the easy way — 8 May
Painting and drawing flowers — field studies — 12 and 13 June and 19 and 20 June.

All day schools are 10.00 a.m. — 3.00 p.m. with one hour for lunch.

Enrolment for all courses (except baskets from the hedgerow) is Wednesday 19 April 7.30-8.30 p.m.

Two other courses which are continuing and may be enrolled now are Yoga and Guitar for All.

For further details please contact Ian Horsfield or Pauline Dorrell on telephone 368931.

Letter

I was interested to read the New Year Resolution for the Planet by Professor David Bellamy, namely:

"I will always pick up litter, I will always switch off electricity and the heating when I don't need it, I will do my best to recycle all I use, and only use recycled paper. I will continue to care for all living things."

If we recycle paper and cardboard, and glass (via the Scout collections and bottle banks); vegetable matter including kitchen waste via a compost bin; leaves via a leaf mould compound; clothes, books and many other items via jumble sales and charities, why do we need more than one dustbin?

(T. H. Umpleby)

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