

Parliamentary Petition - 1842

Compiled by Graham Davies, based on Thea Hawksworth's researches of: Minutes of evidence on the Lyme Regis Election Petition, 1842. On spine PARL. PET. 1842, which is in the Museum's library.

Date of Election - June 29, 1841
Chairman - Benjamin Hawes Esq
Attorney - Mr Templer

Pinney was initially declared re-elected at the general election of 1841, but on petition his election was declared void and Hussey declared elected in his place after scrutiny of the votes.

This file does not describe the work of the Election Committee investigating the claims of bribery. Instead, it records background information on the witnesses from Lyme Regis.

In addition, Graham Davies has cross referenced this database with the 1841 census (June 6) and the trade directories for 1840/42.

Abraham Agland

Address - House & shop in Church Street.
Occupation - Cooper. Voted for Pinney.

1841 census - Abraham Agland (40), a cooper, Church Street.
Trade Directories -
Agland, Abraham, George's yard, 1830
Agland, Abraham, cooper, Church Street/ Butter Market, 1839-71

Joseph Anning

Builder & carpenter.

1841 census - Joseph Anning (45), upholsterer, Broad Street.
Trade Directories - Joseph Anning, cabinet maker & upholsterer, Broad Street, 1839-48.

Robert Basley (Bazley)

Address - House & yard in Church Street, from at least April 5, 1841 - June 1842.
Owner of property - Susannah Stoward.
Previous occupant - William Palmer (brewer).

1841 census - Robert Bazley (40), Church Street.
Trade Directories - Robert Bazley, brewer & beer retailer, Church Street, 1842-44

William Bazely

Address - a tenant for 10-11 years, buildings & fields at Colway Tithing (Greenfields & Broom Close)
Owner - Andrew Tucker. Other tenants of Andrew Tucker:
John Norris, farmer, 28 acres, Broom Close from Lady Day 1840. Also Paradise Ground.
John Lock, tenant at Woodmead for 7 years & Mary Newton rents Watermead.
1841 census - There is a William Bazley (35) farming at Holcombe.

Thomas Beere

Address - Mill Green, Christmas 1840 - Sept 29, 1841.

Occupation - Parish clerk, rates agent, assistant overseer (Hussey's man).

Owner of property - Mr Elliott.

Previous occupant - George Ring, May - Nov 1840.

1841 census - Thomas Beere (55), tea dealer, Mill Green.

Trade Directories - Thomas Beere, grocer etc, Church Street/Butter Market, 1823-40.

W Bennett

Clerk in Drayton's Bank.

John Boon

Lived in house & shop in Coombe Street, above William Trayte.

Occupation - sailor. Man of war at 14 years of age. Sailed in *Charles of Lyme*, captain Urquhart.

His wife kept the shop, selling vegetables.

His daughter was Letitia Boon.

At the time of the Election Committee hearings, Boon was working in Nine Elms, and had been brought to them by Jefferd.

1841 census - John Boon (50), mariner, Coombe Street.

William Case

Owner/occupier of house & shop in Silver Street.

After April 1841, he moved to Broad Street.

1841 Census - William Case (30), confectioner, Broad Street.

Trade Directories -

William Case, baker, Silver Street, 1830-40.

William Case, baker & confectioner, Broad Street, 1842-52.

John Champ

John Champ was owner/occupier of house, shop and garden in Broad Street.

He was a draper.

In July, 1840 John Champ was in George Street, and then moved to rent a house in Pound Lane (JF - Kersbrook), owned by Samuel Coade Culverwell, and was still living there in 1842.

From Nov 1840, Joseph Penny rented, presumably, the property in Broad Street, from his brother-in-law John Champ. Joseph was married to Champ's sister. He was also a draper.

1841 census - John Champ (41), independent means, Pound Lane.

Trade Directories -

John Champ, linen & woollen draper, silk mercer & stamp office, Broad Street, 1839-40.

John Champ, Stamp Office, Broad Street, 1840-44.

James Cleal

Inn Keeper at Lyme Cobb.

Old Mr Walker owns the Inn, but lets it to the Brewery of Mr Battiscomb of Bridport.

1841 census - James Cleal (30), *Innholder*, The Cobb.

Trade directory -

Cleal, James, The Cobb Hotel, 1839-40

(GD - I believe this to be the Royal Standard, which wasn't named as such until 1870s.)

Joseph Curtis

Address - The Lynch, but actually in Mill Green. A separate tenement in a house.

Occupation - plasterer.

Previous occupant - George Pearce.

Present occupant (1840) - Betty Dare.

1841 census - Joseph Curtis (55), plasterer, Lynch.

Trade directories -

Curtis, Joseph, slater, Monmouth Street, 1839-44

Curtis, Joseph, slater, Mill Lane, 1848

Curtis, Joseph, plasterer & slater, Lynch, 1851-52

1841 census - George Pearce (30), carpenter, Lynch.

1841 census - Elizabeth Dare (40), Coombe Street.

Silvester Eyres

Address - House & yard in Horse Street, owned by Thomas Walker.

1841 census - Silvester Eyres (44), carpenter, Horse Street.

Robert Farrant

Tenant of Property on Church Cliffs.

1841 census - Robert Farrant (20), butcher, Church Cliffs.

(Richard) Fowler

Publican at the Golden Hart ale house, Church Street.

1841 census - Richard Fowler (58), auctioneer, Butter Market.

Trade directories -

Fowler, Richard, Golden Hart & Excise office & auctioneer, Church Street, 1839-40

Fowler, Richard, auctioneer, Church Street, 1842-44

Henry Gardiner (Gardner)

Address - From April 6, 1841 - Christmas 1841, property in Silver Street where William Case had lived.

Occupation - Baker & confectioner, son-in-law to Robert Pitman Hall.

1841 census - Henry Gardner (25), baker, Silver Street.

Edmund Gregory

Address - Cumberland Cottage, Charmouth Road, Aug 1840 - Lady Day 1841, who then moved to a property in Church Street owned by Mr Ferris of Weymouth, who was mortgagee of Mr Poole's property, of which there were many.

Owner of Cumberland Cottage - John Norman, who was the uncle of John sellers, brewer. John Sellers had occupied the cottage for the previous two years

1841 - Edmund Gregory (40), *clothier & ?*, Church Street.

Samuel Harvey

Address - House & garden at the Cobb, 7 year lease, left in May 1840 to move to a property in Sherborne lane, owned by Daniel Dunster, Aug - Nov 1840, and then moved to his own house in Coombe Street.

Owner of Cobb property - John Stein, who occupied it in Aug 1840, to be followed by Major Charles Fitzgerald, Sept 1840 - March 1841, and then let to Col Glover for 2-3 months in the summer of 1841.

1841 census - Samuel Harvey (73), independent means, Providence Place, Sherborne Lane.

Trade directory - Harvey, Samuel, lodging-house keeper, The Cobb, 1839-40

1841 census - Daniel Dunster, bookseller, Broad Street.

Trade directories -

Dunster, Daniel, bookseller, stationer, printer, pianoforte warehouse & house agent, (depository for Society for promoting Christian Knowledge, 48), (& circulating library 51), Broad Street, 1839-55

William Hicks

Address - House & garden in Church Street, August, 1840. £3.10s pa?

Owner of property - James Edwards. Fire in Oct 1840 and property burnt down.

Rebuilt Aug-Sept 1841. Garden was 50 yards square.

James Edwards was also rated for a second smaller property in Church Street and a third property. In November 1841, he lived in a Church Street house owned by Henry Chard.

1841 census - William Hicks (45), sweep, Church Street.

1841 census - James Edwards (30), draper, Broad Street.

Trade directories -

Edwards, James, linen drapers, Church Street, 1823-28

Edwards, James, linen drapers, Broad Street, 1830

Edwards, James, John & Co, linen & woollen drapers, Broad Street, 1839-40

Robert Hillman

Address - Office near (parish) Church.

Occupation - solicitor/agent to Mr Pinney MP.

1841 census - Robert Hillman (35), solicitor, Pound Street.

Trade directories -

Hillman, Robert, solicitor, master extraordinary in chancery, and commissioner for taking deeds of acknowledgement from married women, Broad Street, 1839-40

James Hiscott

Address - Shop in Broad Street, 1840.

Owner - James Harvey, grocer, Broad Street.

James Harvey also occupied the premises of Elizabeth Champ, and lodged also at Mr Skinner's in a neighbouring street.

1841 census - James Hiscott, grocer, Horse Street.

Elias Hoare

Address - Broad Street.

Occupation - Boot & shoemaker.

Brother-in-law to Abraham Agland. Voted for Hussey.

1841 census - Elias Hoare (28), shoemaker, Broad Street.

Trade directories - Hoare, Elias, shoemaker, Broad Street, 1839-51

Thomas Hook

Address - House & shop in Broad Street which he vacated before Lady Day (March 25) 1841.

Two other occupiers in Thomas Hook's house & shop in Broad Street were:

Robert Cannicot, brushmaker, several years in this shop. Left Christmas 1840.

William Landray, bookbinder, occupier, Feb 1841.

10-12 doors up from Thomas Hook's House was owner Betty Fudge's house, which was in the middle of Broad Street. Previous occupant of this house was John Basley, a baker.

1841 census - Thomas Hooke (35), watchmaker, Broad Street.

Trade directories - Hooke, Thomas, watchmaker, Broad Street, 1839-44

1841 census - Robert Cannecott (35), brushmaker, Broad Street.

Trade directories - Cannicott, Robert, brush maker, Broad Street, 1839-52

1841 census - William Landray (40), printer, Broad Street.

Trade directories -

Landray, William, printer & binder, Monmouth Street, 1839-40

Landray, William, printers &c, Broad Street, 1842-44

1841 census - Betty Fudge (50), butcher, Broad Street.

Trade directories - Fudge, Betty, butcher, Broad Street, 1839-44

Trade directories - Bazley, John, baker &c, Broad Street, 1830

John Lakey

House & shop at the Butter Market, June 16, 1838 - May 1840.

Occupation - butcher.

Owner of property - Henry Jefferd, who was a builder and carpenter. He had a yard at the Gun Cliff and was proprietor of Jefferd's Baths.

After May 1840, John Lakey carried out his business in a very small way from the King's Arms in Coombe Street that was run by his father, Joseph Lakey.

1841 census - John Lakey (25), butcher, Coombe Street.
Joseph Lakey (60), publican, Coombe Street.

Trade directories -

Lakey, John, butcher, Butter Market, 1839-40

Lakey, Joseph, King's Arms, Coombe Street, 1839-40

Market days in the Butter Market were Tuesday and Friday.

William Landray

Address - House & shop in Monmouth Street, 1840-41.

Occupation - printer.

Owner of property - Samuel Osborn's (builder) father.

William Landray moved to Broad Street on Lady Day, March 25, 1841, where his landlord was Thomas Hook.

See under Thomas Hook for census & directory references.

John Langford

Occupied house & shop in Mill Green during 1939/40. He lived with his mother.

He was carpenter foreman to Henry Jefferd.

His wife was Sarah Hodder, who was a stay & corset maker, and a dressmaker.

He went to live in Taunton and died Feb 21, 1841 or 1842.

William Langford was John's brother, and lived in Monmouth Street. Mary Langford was his sister.

(Large family - 8 or 9)

Their father, Thomas Langford, was a builder.

1841 census -

Mary Langford (52), independent means, Mill Green.

William Langford (35), tailor, Monmouth Street.

Trade directories -

Langford, Thomas, carpenter, joiner & builder, Mill Green, 1830

Langford, William, tailor, Horse Street, 1839-52

Langford, William, tailor, Monmouth Street, 1851-59

1841 census - Henry Jefferd (50), builder, Butter Market.

Trade directories - Jefferd, Henry, Hot & cold baths & builder, Butter Market, 1839-52

William Meacham

Address - House & garden in Sherborne Lane, Nov 1840 - Feb 1841.

Meacham moved from Butter Market in 1840.

Occupation - labourer. Sells garden stuff, potatoes & turnips. Has horse & cart, rents a bit of land.

Owner of property - James French.

David (? Daniel) Channon follows William Meacham as a tenant in this house, from June 19, 1841. He is a tailor, and was previously in Monmouth Street in house owned by Thomas Beere, but rent paid to Mr Oliver, a trustee. (GD - house is probably No.9 Monmouth Street)

Trade directories - Meacham, William, grocer, Butter Market, 1842-44

1841 census - James French (45), mariner, Mill Green.

1841 census - Daniel Channon (35), tailor, Monmouth Street.

Trade directories - Channon, Daniel, tailor, Monmouth Street, 1839-44

William Palmer

Address - House & garden in Church Street (JF - Lilac Cottage), up to Feb 1841, when he moved to some small cottages in the town.

Occupation - Brewer (JF - Palmers of Bridport).

Owner of property - Susannah Stoward.

William Palmer had been carrying on his occupation of brewing in this cottage for some years. There was a brewhouse & cellar. He possibly also rented another brewhouse and garden close, adjoining Mr Basleys. A stable on these premises belonged to Pinney, Hillman and/or Waring, latterly occupied by James Bridle.

Palmer left Lyme in April/May 1841 and went to Bridport.

1841 census - William Palmer (64), independent means, Sherborne Lane.

Trade directories -

Palmer, William, brewer/beer retailer, Horse Street, 1830-40

Palmer, William, brewer, Church Street, 1839-44

Trade directories - Stoward, Susanna, beer retailer, Church Street, 1851

William Pike

Shoemaker in Horse Street.

1841 census - William Pike (40), shoemaker, Horse Street.

Mr Rennell

Landlord of the George Inn, the last one before the fire of 1844.

1841 census - James Reynolds (30), victualer, Coombe Street.

Trade directories - Reynolds, James, George Inn, Coombe Street, 1839-40

George Ring

Address - Coombe Street. House burnt down. Temporary accommodation at Mill Green for 7 months in 1840 until house rebuilt.

Occupation - agent to Mr Drayton. Wife is a laundress.

1841 census - George Ring (61), lath maker, Horse Street.

1841 census -

John Drayton (66), merchant, Broad Street.

John Drayton (23), solicitor?, Broad Street.

Trade directories -

Drayton & Son, Bridport Branch Bank, wine, spirit & timber merchants & shipowners, Broad St, 1839-40

Drayton, John & Son, timber & slate merchants, & wine & spirit merchants, Broad Street, 1842-44

William Trayte

Address - Coombe Street (lodger?)

Occupation - mason, worked for Samuel Osborn, builder.

Owner/occupier of property - Mr Fox.

1841 census - William Trayte, mason, Coombe Street.