



Francis Dixon – Brush Maker

The above postcard image had the inscription “My old shop, now pulled down, now International tea shop” written on the reverse.

Trade Directory Entries

Post Office Directory 1867:	Francis Dixon, Brush maker, High Street
Post Office Directory 1875:	Francis Dixon, Brush maker, 18 High Street, Salisbury
Kellys Wiltshire Directory 1907:	Francis Dixon & Co., Brushmakers, 18 High Street, Salisbury
Kellys Wiltshire Directory 1915:	Dixon and Co, Fancy Goods Dealers, 18 High Street, Salisbury

Census Records

1851 Census Salisbury St. Thomas, High Street:

Francis Dixon, 30, Brush maker, wife, Mary Ann, 27, son James, 5 daughter Fanny, 2, and 2 brush maker apprentices, Thomas Hall, 18, and Edward Fry, 15.

1861 Census, Salisbury St. Thomas, High Street:

Francis Dixon, head, 39, Brush merchant, employment of 3 men and 2 boys, b. Harnham; wife, Mary A, 37, Sons, James, 14, a scholar, Walter, 5, and daughters, Fanny, 12, Georgina, 8, Eliza, 3 and Edan, 0.

1871 Census at Salisbury St. Thomas, High Street

Francis Dixon, 50 brush manufacturer, born Bretford, Wilts, wife Mary A, 47, daughters, Georgiana, 18, Eliza, 13, Ada, 11 and sons Walter, 15, and Alfred, 9, his wife and children all born in Salisbury.

1881 Census, High Street, New Sarum St. Thomas

Francis Dixon, 59, Brushmaker employing 2 men and 3 boys, born Harnham, Salisbury, his wife Mary Ann, 56, born Milford, Salisbury, and children, Walter Wesley, 25, shop assistant, Eliza Mary, 23, shop assistant, Alfred, 19, iron manger's apprentice, and also his nephew, Milton Bartholomew, 1, born in Brixton, London.

1891 Salisbury St. Thomas, High Street:

Francis Dixon, 70, a widower, Brush manufacturer, son Walter W., 35, Brush manufacturer, daughter Eliza M, 32, and servant Eva Hallett, 27.

1901 Census Salisbury St. Thomas, High Street:

Francis Dixon, 80, Brush manufacturer, his son, Walter W., 45, Brush manufacturer, and Annie Snook, 20, servant.

The Death of Francis Dixon, aged 84, is registered in the Salisbury Registration District, in the December Quarter of 1905 and a notice of his death was placed in the Salisbury Times of 6th October 1905 stating that Francis had passed away on the 4th October.

An obituary was placed in the Salisbury Times on the 13th October 1905.

A Notice under Official Announcements was placed in the newspaper as follows.

Re FRANCIS DIXON, Deceased.

ALL PERSONS having CLAIMS and DEMANDS against the estate of Francis DIXON, late of High Street, SALISBURY, in the COUNTY of Wilts, Brush Manufacturer, are required to send particulars of such claims and demands to me on or before the 11th day of NOVEMBER next.

Dated this 25th day of October, 1905,
ROBERT HALL,
5, Canal, Salisbury,

Solicitor to the Executors.

Salisbury Times, 27 October 1905

OPC Notes:-

The Obituary mentioned above will be found under the People and Parish Notables Section under Obituaries