

Steeple Ashton People

There is a surprising amount of information available regarding the residents of Steeple Ashton.

1722-1900. A list of men who have enjoyed the legacy of Mr John Brown for the encouragement of the Industrious Poor.

1729 A short list of the boys attending school. (Names only)

1752 A list of poor children whose schooling was paid by charitable subscription.

1770. A local census which gives the name of the householder and the number of persons in the household and occasionally the names of the children.

1778-1900. Distribution of coats and gowns by the Martyn Luffenham charity.

1787-1890 List of children receiving tuition paid for by Hick's charity.

1800. A census was compiled by the Curate, Rev William Vawden which gives name of head, number in household, street name or the area in Steeple Ashton where the family resided.

1813 Local census taken on 5th August gives information as above but includes some occupations and other details.

1824-1890 List of poor children taught in the school and paid for by the Togwell's charity.

1826 A list of residents employed in agriculture including their masters.

1826 Jan 26th A list of the poor receiving bread donated by Walter Long Esq.
He gave £5 for this purpose.
(NB Apparently the weather was so cold that year even the Thames froze over. Jo Clinton)

1832-1851 A list of people receiving from the Charity Bag and the help given.
Money was collected by the church and dispensed when needed.

1841-1857 list of people receiving the Christmas Shilling.
One shilling was given for each year the vicar had been in the Parish.

1856-1869 list of people receiving money from the Church Alms box.
This box was opened once a year, usually at Christmastime and shared out amongst the poor.

If anyone would like further information about these lists please contact me via the contact an OPC link