

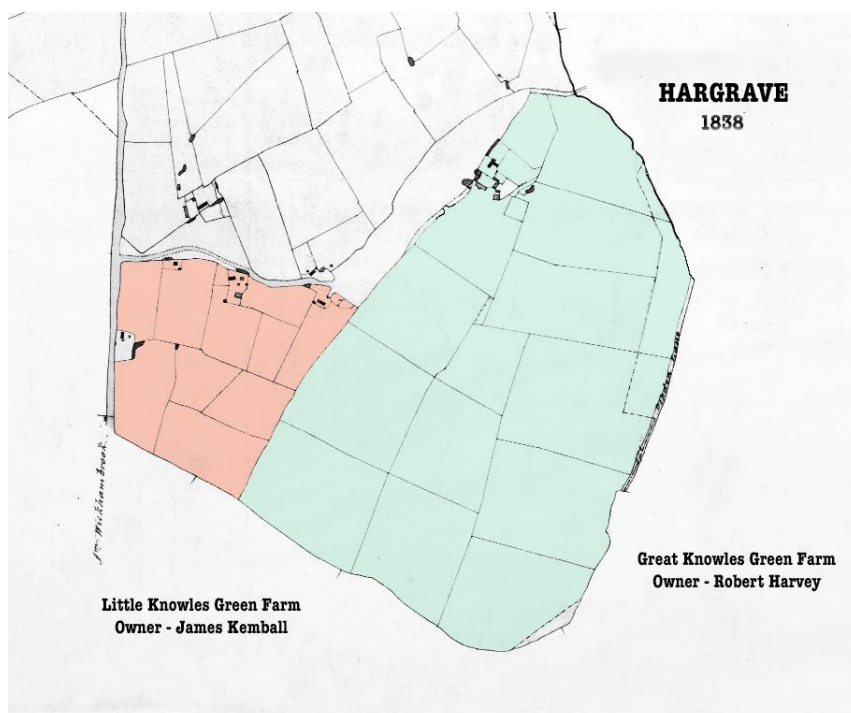


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Chronicle of Farming at Knowles Green

Tracing the ownership and occupancy of land purely using online resources is never an easy proposition, and in such instances the availability of original documentary records can prove invaluable. The issue is compounded in this instance as the location of farm land at Knowles Green which is often just referred to as Knowles Green Farm, i.e. without the distinction of 'Little' or 'Great', making it very difficult to distinguish between the two.

Apologies are therefore made for any unintended misinformation, which is provided below in good faith. If any reader can clarify the situation, please send your thoughts to the email address listed on the home page of this website.



Great Knowles Green Farm (Pluck Hall Fram)

Early records such as the Poll Books and Electoral Register of 1830 indicate that Great Knowles Green Farm was owned and farmed by Robert Harvey. This is confirmed by the 1838 Tithe Records.

The 1841 census and parish records also provide further information on the Harvey family, with Robert (1798 – 1849) listed as originating from Fordham, Cambridgeshire, and having married Marie Devereaux from Hargrave in 1817. They had several children including William (1818 - 1894), Elizabeth

(1821), Robert (1823 – 1823), James (1826 – 1901), Louisa (1827), Sarah (1831), Cornelius (1831 – 1832), Susanah (1834 – 1834) and Susanah (1836).

With Robert's death in 1849 the farm becomes available to new occupants. Although not totally clear from readily available records, it appears that the land is taken up by Jeremiah Birch (1823 – 1882) at some point in the 1850's. In the 1851 census Jeremiah is first listed as a Licensed Hawker; then in 1861 he is to be found in Bury St Edmunds Goal; but by 1871 he is confirmed farming 185 acres based at 'Knowles Green' employing eight labourers and six boys. Then in 1881 this has risen to 310 acres, employing nine men and eight boys.

(Jeremiah Birch appears to be an individual of dubious character and his story is covered in an article entitled 'The Life and Crimes of Jeremiah Birch (1823 – 1882)' in the History Section of this website. Both he and his sister have altercations with neighbouring farmer George Sparrow, see later.)

Jeremiah never marries, but by the 1880's he is living with his sister Eliza (1838 – 1923) and her husband John Pettit (1840 - 1883) originally from Wickhambrook, who married in 1862, and who are now running the farm. They were to have at least 17 children; John (1862 – 1941), Jeremiah (1863 – 1880), Phoebe Ann (1863), Eliza (1864 – 1866), Ernest Albert (1864 – 1945), Herbert John (1866 – 1939), Robert George (1867 – 1936), Alice Maud (1870), Samuel (1871 – 1954), Jessy Delilah (1873 – 1959), Charles Edwin (1874 – 1935), Kate S (1876 – 1964), Edith Ellen (1876 – 1911), Lillie Ethel (1878 – 1927) Henry (1878 – 1921), Frederick William (1879 – 1879), Oliver (1880 – 1939) and Alfred (1882 – 1950). Also living in were two servants Mary Ann Cross (1866) and Joseph Nunn (1861).



Eliza Birch

By the 1891 census Jeremiah and brother-in-law John Pettit have both passed away, but sister Eliza is still living at the farm with the six youngest children, and William Stiff (1874) and George Stiff (1878) farm servants.

Assisted by son Ernest Alfred she is thought to have continued to run Great Knowles Green Farm (Pluck Hall Farm), Little Knowles Green Farm, Frogs End Farm, Hargrave, Pratts Farm at Depden, Broad Green Farm at Chevington and College Farm at Chevington.

In 1898 she appears to be living at Lodge Farm, Hargrave when her daughter Jessy Delilah's marriage to Samuel Francis from Eriswell is reported in the local press.

It has further been suggested that due to a lack of water as reported in the local press in September 1899, she eventually vacated the farmhouse at Knowles Green.

By the 1901 census, Eliza has moved to Broad Green, Chevington and is listed as a farmer with daughters Edith and Kate along with stockman James Newman (1888), and in 1911, on to Pratt's farm, Depden with son Oliver and grandson Reg Wright (1892).

She subsequently moved to High Street, Lower Clapton, London to live with her daughter Jessie Delilah (1873 – 1959) who along with her husband ran a newsagent and tobacconist shop. Eliza passed away in 1923, aged 85 years.

In 1891 there was an indication that various parcels of land including the farm at Greater Knowles Green were in the single ownership of the late John Ellis Fenton, and the executors of his will placed the land up for sale. It was subsequently purchased by a Mr J White of Chevington.

The 110 acres that constituted Great Knowles Green Farm is then owned until 1916 by Mr John Boggis (1846 - 1931) who lived at Nunnery Green, Wickhambrook. He had been licensee of The Greyhound Inn at Wickhambrook, before selling his interests to Messrs. Greene King & Sons Ltd, and then trying his hand at farming. He then retired to Bury St Edmund's. He was married to Ellen (1844) and had eight daughters and three sons. The 1911 census lists his son George Boggis (1873) living at and working the farm at Knowles Green.

The farm then passes to Mr John Sangster of Moor's Farm, Chevington and upon his death in 1928 a package of plots is put up for sale again. They included Moor's Farm and Tan Office Farm both at Chevington, Great Knowles Green Farm, Hargrave (with farmhouse, premises, two cottages, and accommodation land) plus various other cottages and the Motor Garage (former clothing factory), also at Chevington.

There were various buyers with Mr E S Farrow of Eldo Estates purchasing the miscellaneous land between Hargrave and Depden, however the Great Knowles Green Farm was withdrawn at £700.

Mr Farrow was to sell most of his holdings in 1942 a couple of years before his death.

The 1939 Register indicated that the farmhouse was occupied by Herbert Betts (1890 - 1969) farm labourer along with his wife, married daughter and granddaughter.

In September 1941 at the height of Luftwaffe raids on England in World War 2, a random bomb was dropped on a cottage adjacent to Pluck Hall damaging the gable wall. It was occupied by Bertie and Lizzie Pettitt, who were unhurt. Bertie was known as a farm horseman and slaughterman working for his father butcher Albert Pettitt a butcher operating from Moat Farm

(The origin of the name Pluck Hall Farm has not yet been confirmed. Traditionally the word 'Pluck' is a 16th century butchery term for the viscera of slaughtered livestock, so this may indicate a slaughterhouse was run from the farm? Any further information or alternative explanation would be welcome.)

Little Knowles Green Farm

Little Knowles Green Farmhouse is a late medieval structure that was substantially reconstructed in the late 17th or early 18th century, with walls heightened to provide an upper floor, but it still retains elements of the original 15th century timbers, when it was built in the style of a hall with open fire uncluttered up to its roof.



Little Knowles Green Farm

The Tithe Records of 1838 also indicate Little Knowles Green Farm as being owned by James Kemball and worked by Henry Turner. At that time these holdings also included various cottages occupied by Richard Newman and William Pearson, James Seeley and John Pearson, and their families.

The Little Knowles Green Farm entries in the 1841 census provide confirmation occupation by Henry Turner originally from Wickhambrook, who had married Lucinda Clayden (1784 - 1842), in 1812, living there with children John (1817 - 1871), Mary (1819) and William (1826).

Press listings in 1851 indicate that James Kemball had died and his farm along with the neighbouring Guiles Farm, Ousden were for sale. Then in 1853 Little Knowles Green Farm is advertised for let.

The 1851 census lists Henry Turner (1789) now a widower still farming 75 acres along with Mary his daughter. Also John Turner his son farming 42 acres and living with George Sparrow (1817 - 1881) a butcher, originally from Depden, and his wife Elizabeth (1813).

Henry Turner is still listed as farmer in the 1861 census, but now in his 70's along with a housekeeper Elizabeth Rudland (1816), living at Weathercock Green, Chevington.

That 1861 census also indicates John Turner, now with family still living at Knowles Green with wife Catherine Brewster (1813) from Chevington who he married in 1851. Also resident are children Susanne (1852) and John (1855), along with Catherine's mother Susanne (1781).

John's brother William Turner had by 1861 moved on to Little South Well Farm, Hargrave, (96 acres) with wife Drusilla Sarah Woolard (1825 – 1867) from Wickhambrook who he married in 1845. They were to have four children Henry Joseph (1851), William (1853), John Thomas (1856) and Priscilla Elizabeth (1860 - 1944).

At the time of the 1871 census Catherine is widowed living with her two children in Ousden but still listed as a farmer of 50 acres employing two men and a boy. However their situation had drastically changed by 1881, with Catherine at the age of 67 working as a draper in Finsbury Road, Tottenham, London, along with her two unmarried children Susanna and John.

Meanwhile, George Sparrow with wife Elizabeth and son Henry (1852) are also still resident at Knowles Green and he is now listed as a farmer. He is still in occupation in October 1864 as a quarrel is reported in the press between him and his farming neighbour Mr Jeremiah Birch.

Again George is in the 1871 census listed still living there and farming 29 acres, and this is confirmed in a local press advertisement dated 1874 where he reports that a black and white sow had strayed on his land. But in 1881 it is assumed George has died, with the farm advertised for let, with enquiries to be made to his son Henry Sparrow, at Parsonage Farm, Kirtling.

In 1896 there is press notification that Guiles Farm west of Wickhambrook Road, is sold separately to Mr E A Pettit, of Hargrave for £350. However by 1899 Edward Arthur Pettit is in Bankruptcy Court, unable to pay his creditors.

There is a gap in knowledge of ownership but in 1913 the land being worked by Mr Farrow was put up for sale by the executors of the previous owner Mrs Augusta Kent. Then again in 1918 the farm is up for sale again by the executors of Mr Henry James Graham. By the time of the 1921 census the land is owned by Mr E S Farrow of Eldo Estates.

(NB Just to confuse matters further, the Wickhambrook Benefit Society and Sickness Club is recorded in the early 1900's as owning a farm of 60 acres in Knowles Green.)

The 1939 Register indicated that the farmhouse was occupied by John H Gibson (1879) Clerk at Chevington Garage living alone.

APPENDIX A – Local Newspaper Reports Covering Farms at Knowles Green, Hargrave.

The following item was printed in the Bury and Norwich Post on the 4th October 1864.

COUNTY PETTY SESSIONS, BURY, Sept. 28. (Before B. B. H. Rodwell, Esq. (Chairman), Revds. T. Anderson, W. J. S. Casborne, T. E. Abraham, and T. J. Steele, and J. B. Blake, Esq.)

Charge of Assault at Wickhambrook. — Jeremiah Birch, farmer, was charged with having assaulted George Sparrow, farmer, at Wickhambrook, on the 9th inst. — Complainant deposed that on the night of the 9th inst., he attended an auction at the White Horse public-house, Wickhambrook. Defendant was also there, and made several observations about his (complainant's) character. Complainant said he was a better man in character than ever stood in Birch's shoes; upon which defendant clenched his fist, and swore he would knock him down. He (Birch) then took his open hand, and placing it over complainant's mouth and nose, forced his head back very roughly. Complainant told him to keep his hands off, but he repeated the assault, and said if Mr. Sparrow would get up he would give him the law, and threatened to put him into the ditch, but did not do so.

— Henry Sparrow, son of the complainant, deposed that he was at the Wickhambrook White Horse on the night in question, and saw defendant put his hand on his father's face, and shove his head back.

— In answer to the charge, defendant said he never touched complainant. He was at the auction at the White Horse on the night of the 9th, and he purchased a farm. Complainant was one of the bidders, and he was vexed because he had been out-bidden, and told defendant that he could not pay for the farm until he had sold his wheat. Defendant said he could pay for it on Wednesday, and that would do; and complainant then claimed from him £8 6d. for newspapers, and half-a-crown for the damage done by a cow of defendant's, which had trespassed in a field of Mr. Sparrow's. Other words ensued, but no blows were struck.

— The Chairman, after consulting with his brother Magistrates, said: You don't seem to have used any great violence, but it is clear that you struck the complainant, and you cannot be allowed to do so with impunity. You must pay a fine of 5s., and 11s. costs. — The money was immediately paid.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 16th September 1882.

Re JEREMIAH BIRCH, Deceased.

ALL PERSONS having any Claim Demand upon the Estate Effects JEREMIAH BIRCH, late of Hargrave, in the County of Suffolk, Farmer and Butcher, Deceased, are requested forthwith to send particulars such Claims or Demands to me, the undersigned, William Statman Walpole, Solicitor, Beyton. And all Persona who stood indebted to the said Jeremiah Birch, at the time his Decease, are hereby requited pay their respective debts to Eliza Pettit, the wife of John Pettit, Hargrave, aforesaid Farm Bailiff, the Executrix of the said Jeremiah Birch, within one Calendar Month from the date hereof.

Dated this 12th day September, 1882. W. S. WALPOLE, Solicitor to the Executrix, Beyton Lodge, near Eury St. Edmund's.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 20th November 1886.

BURY COUNTY COURT. Nov. 16. Before Sir F. ROXBROUGH, Q.C., Judge.

Eliza Pettit v. John Plumb. Claim £4 10s. for rent of cottage Hargrave. — Judgment for plaintiff. — Defendant behaved violently in Court, and laid plaintiff should never have a farthing. — His Honour; I will make order for 5s. a month, and you will have to go to Ipswich for every 5s. you don't pay.

The same Eliza Pettit v George Sharp. — This was a similar case with similarly defiant defendant. — Judgment for 10s. in 14 days, and 10s. month afterwards.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 19th September 1891.

TAN OFFICE FARM, CHEVINGTON

H. LACY SCOTT

HAS received instructions from the Execs., of the late Mr. JOHN ELLIS FENTON to Sell by auction, in October, the

LIVE & DEAD FARMING STOCK

Further Particulars will be duly advertised.

By Order of the Mortgagees

TAN OFFICE FARM, CHEVINGTON, and KNOWLES GREEN FARM, HARGRAVE, near BURY ST EDMUND'S

The following item was printed in the Haverhill Echo on the 17th October 1891.

CHEVINGTON.

Sale of Property. —On Wednesday afternoon, at the Angel Hotel, by order of the mortgages, with the concurrence of the trustees of the will of the late Mr. J. E. Fenton, Mr. H. Lacy Scott offered for public competition & small freehold and copyhold estate, comprising Tan Office Farm, Chevington, and Knowles Green Farm, Hargrave, containing 101a. 3r. 34p. of productive land. The lot was withdrawn at £710. Subsequently the property was sold by private contract to Mr. J. White, of Chevington.

The following item was printed in the Haverhill Echo on the 13th May 1899.

Failure of a Hargrave Farmer.

On Tuesday before Mr. Registrar C. E. Salmon, at the Shirehall, Bury St. Edmunds, Ernest Albert Pettit, of Knowles Green Farm, Hargrave, appeared for his public examination. — Mr. H. Bankes Ashton appeared for the debtor.

— A summary of the debtor's statement of affairs showed that to eighteen unsecured creditors £1,212 7s. 84, was due. Two creditors were fully secured, the estimated value of their securities' being £500 ; one creditor for £243, held securities estimated to be worth £50. Assets included growing crops and tenant rights, estimated to produce £276. The deficiency, according to the debtor's calculations, had been reckoned at £960.

— It appeared that he had been occupier of three farms at Hargrave and Wickhambrook, the acreage of the whole being about 223. From two different landlords 174 acres were hired. As to the remaining 19 acres, he was nominally the owner, subject to the charges of about £350. Very shortly before the petition was filed all the free assets had been seized and sold to satisfy two executions, and also two distresses for rent. He had only kept & labour book.,

— The Official Receiver (Mr, F. Messent, of Ipswich), who examined the debtor, elicited that about £180 more was owing than the debtor had accounted for, thus making the deficiency about £1,150, He said that he had lost horses and colts worth about £100, having had 12 horses, five of which he lost in two years. He had also lost about a dozen calves, worth about £3 each. He had estimated £200 loss on covenant valuation; heavy rent, £80; interest to work the farms with, and premiums on insurances, about £20. He also considered he had been a great loser as to machinery. He owed about £800 to his mother, for money lent and interest. He had commenced to farm in 1895, and about two years ago realised that he could not pay all his creditors in full; notwithstanding this he had subsequently contracted several debits. There was £27 due to the Foresters' Court at Hargrave, he having, as treasurer of that friendly society, collected money.

— Mr. J. C. Browne said he considered the debtor very honest and upright. He attributed the debtor's financial difficulties to want of capital. — Mr. H. Bankes Ashton elicited that of the total liabilities, amounting to about £1,600 over £300 was due to the debtor's mother,

— The examination was adjourned until June 20th, and the debtor was ordered, in the meantime, to supply a complete list of his creditors and an amended account, showing how the deficiency had arisen.

The following item was printed in the Evening Star and Daily Herald on the 12th July 1899.

BURY BANKRUPTCY COURT

On Tuesday afternoon, before Mr. Registrar C. E. Salmon, in the Shirehall, Bury St Edmunds, Ernest Arthur Pettit, of Knowles Green farm, Hargrave, again appeared for his adjourned public examination in the Bankruptcy Court, - The Trustee (Mr. W. Messent of Ipswich) very briefly questioned the debtor, who replied that all his assets had been given up to the trusts. - Mr. H. Bankes Ashston, who appeared for the bankrupt, asked that the examination might be declared closed, - The Registrar assented.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 9th September 1899.

DEARTH OF WATER

The Sanitary Inspector (Mr. R. Deeks) reported that they were very badly off for water in some places. At Knowles Green, Hargrave, there was a farmhouse and three cottages where there was no water at all.

The following item was printed in the Haverhill Echo on the 13th July 1907.

WICKHAMBROOK.

THE BENEFIT SOCIETY. —The following is an extract from the Parish Magazine :—"We (the Rev. A. McKeachie, and Mr. T. R. Woollard) recently audited the accounts of the Wickhambrook Benefit Society and Sickness Club. We have nothing but praise for the manner in which the accounts are kept, and heartily congratulate the club on having our esteemed Squire, N. B. Warner Bromley, Esq., as their

treasurer. He has its welfare very much at heart, and constantly uses his practical business experience to further its interests. The register shows that the total funds stand at £4,816 5s. 113d., the securities representing which, however, would, if realized, give a cash return of considerably over this sum. In addition, the Society owns a farm of over 60 acres at Knowle's Green, with farmhouse buildings and cottages. The accounts for the past year show a total income of £414 19s. 5d., of which £91 13s. 10d. has been paid in sick pay, £20 5s. in doctor's fees, £59 16s. 10d. in pensions, and there is thus left a clear balance to the good on the year of £243 5s. 5d. The expenses of management are reduced to a minimum, £1 1s. only being paid to cover the out of pocket expenses, ' and this, with other petty expenses, is met by the subscriptions of honorary members. The valuations every five years, conducted by a valuer by the Registrar of Friendly Societies, have been increasingly satisfactory. We believe this club, established as long ago as 1835, is one of the very few in the county which give a pension, and if its excellence were more widely known we should look for a very large increase of membership."

The following item was printed in the East Anglian Daily Times on the 14th July 1913.

HARGRAVE.

A Capital SMALL FREEHOLD FARM known as LITTLE KNOWLES GREEN FARM, comprising 42a. 1r. 2p.

of excellent Arable and Pasture Land, situate abutting upon the high road leading from Wickhambrook to Hargrave, with Farm Premises, including a Barn, Cart Horse Stable, Loose Box, Cart Shed and Yards. with Orchard, as occupied by Mr. H. P. Farrow, for Sale by AUCTION by

SALTER, SIMPSON, and SONS

at the Angel Hotel, Bury St. Edmund's, on WEDNESDAY, July 30th, 1913, at 8 o'clock precisely, by order of the Trustees of Mrs. Augusta Kent, deceased. Vendor's Solicitors: Messrs. Bendall and Sons, Rutland Chambers, Newmarket; also at Soham and Mildenhall.

The following item was printed in the East Anglian Daily Times on the 30th May 1916.

SUFFOLK.

FORTHCOMING AUCTION OF FREEHOLD FARMS BY LACY SCOTT AND SONS.

PRESTON ST. MARY, SUFFOLK. MORTIMERS AND JORDANS FARMS,

Containing: 143 ACRES 1 ROOD 29 PERCHES.

Vendor's Solicitors: Messrs. Blood and Son, Witham, Essex.

HARGRAVE, CHEVINGTON, AND DEPDEN, GREAT KNOWLES GREEN FARM,

Containing: 111 ACRES 1 ROOD 0 PERCHES,

With House, Buildings, and 4 Cottages, With possession at Michaelmas or earlier by valuation at the option of the purchaser.

Vendor's Solicitors: Messrs. Greene and Greene, Bury St. Edmund's.

Further particulars may be obtained in due course of the Solicitors, and of Lacy Scott and Sons, Auctioneers and Estate Agents, Bury St. Edmund's.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 10th June 1916.

GREAT KNOWLES GREEN FARM, HARGRAVE, SUFFOLK

LACY SCOTT & SON

*Having disposed of the above Farm by private treat, the Sale of the Property as formerly announced
WILL NOT TAKE PLACE*

GREAT KNOWLES GREEN FARM, HARGRAVE, SUFFOLK

LACY SCOTT & SON

*ARE instructed by Mr. J. Boggis, the Farm being Sold, to Sell by Auction the LIVE AND DEAD
FARMING STOCK at an early date.*

The following item was printed in the East Anglian Daily Times on the 17th July 1916.

SALES BY AUCTION

LACY SCOTT AND SON

KNOWLES GREEN FARM, HARGRAVE.

About 7 miles from Bury St. Edmund's.

Sale of the Live and Dead Farming Stock, comprising –

5 HORSES, viz., 4 Cart Horses and Brown Cob; 9 Londoners, In-pig Sow, Sow and Pigs, Poultry;

*Also 4 tumbrils, light van, spring cart, Bobby's dressing machine, harrows, Albion self-binder, Simplex
grass cutter, cart harness, pig troughs and other implements, brewing tubs, etc.; a few lots of household
Furniture and Miscellaneous Effects, for SALE by AUCTION by*

Messrs. LACY SCOTT and SONS

*On SATURDAY, July 22nd, 1916, at 1.30 p.m., by direction of John Boggis, who has sold the farm. Also
included by permission,*

4 WORKING HORSES and BAY PONY.

Catalogues may be obtained from the Auctioneers, Bury St. Edmund's.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 18th May 1918.

Messrs SALTER, SIMPSON & SONS.

Sale of FREEHOLD FARMS and Accommodation Lands.....

HARGRAVE

*"Little Knowles Green" and "Guiles" Farms, with sets Premises and House and 92a. of productive
Corn-growing Laud.....*

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 15th September 1928.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN SANGSTER

Well-known Farmer at Chevington.

The death occurred on Wednesday morning, at his residence, Moore's Farm, Chevington, of Mr. John Sangster, who was well-known in the surrounding district as the proprietor of threshing machinery, also as a farmer, having owned and farmed Moore's Farm, Chevington, Tan Office Farm, Chevington, and Green Farm, Hargrave, while he had also assisted in the management of Street Farm, since the death of Mr. R. S. Mudd.

Mr. Sangster, who was in his 62nd year, had been indifferent health for some time past, but as recently as Monday was out, was seized with his fatal illness on Monday night, and died, without regaining consciousness on Wednesday morning. His death has caused numerous regrets among a wide circle of friends and acquaintances by whom the deceased was very highly esteemed.

Mr. Sangster took an active part in public affairs; he was a member of the Thingoe Rural District Council and the Board of Guardians. He also identified himself with the village life and served in various spheres. He was for over twenty years an overseer for the parish and recently had been chairman of the Parish Council, was a school manager and trustee of Chevington Charities, and was also a trustee of Chevington Village Hall. In past years he was a keen horticulturist and took great pride in his garden, gained many prizes with his exhibits, in politics was a Conservative and was an ardent supporter of the cause. He leaves a widow, but no family.

The following item was printed in the Bury free Press on the 20th and 27th October 1928.

Auctioneers' Announcements

MESSRS. SALTER, SIMPSON & SONS

ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

By order of the Personal Representatives of Mr. John Sangster, deceased, and of the Mortgagees.

CHEVINGTON & HARGRAVE, SUFFOLK

Three Capital Small Freehold Farms

COTTAGES & ACCOMMODATION LANDS

In all 247a. 3r. 7p., as follows: -

LOT.

- 1. Moor's Farm, with Pleasant farmhouse and Premises 40a. 0r. 20p.*
- 2. Tan Office Farm, with Capital farmhouse and Premises 77a. 0r. 3p.*
- 3. Great Knowles Green farm, with farmhouse, Premises and two Cottages 113a. 2r. 7p.*
- 4. Accommodation Land in Hargrave 10a. 0r. 16p.*
- 5. Thatched Double Cottage, Garden and Meadow, near tan Office Green 2a. 1r. 36p.*
- 6. Six Cottages and Gardens, near Chapel 1a. 0r. 19p.*
- 7. Motor Garage, Cottage and garden 0a. 1r. 8p.*
- 8. Modern Double Cottage, garden and Meadow, near Tan Office Green 3a. 0r. 18p.*

SALTER, SIMPSON & SONS

*ARE instructed to Sell the above by Auction, at Everard's Hotel, Bury St Edmund's, on
WEDNESDAY, October 31st, 1928, at 3.30 o'clock.*

Mostly with Vacant Possession on completion.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained of Messrs. Partridge & Wilson, Solicitors, Bury St Edmund's; or of the Auctioneers, Bury St Edmund's and Attleborough.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 3rd November 1928.

THE PROPERTY MARKET

Well-known properties in Chevington and Hargrave were offered for sale by Mr. W. L. Simpson (Messrs. Salter, Simpson and Sons) at Everard's Hotel, Bury St Edmund's, on Wednesday afternoon, when there was a large attendance, and the following prices were realised:

Enclosure of accommodation grass land on the Hargrave-Depden road, containing about 3a. 1r. 3p., let at £5 per annum, and an enclosure of arable land of about 6a. 3r. 13p.

Mr. E. S. Farrow (Eldo) £115.

Stud and thatched double cottage close to Tan Office Green, Chevington, and a meadow.

Mr. T. Flatman (Thelnetham) £20.

Four stud and thatched cottages and a double stud and slated cottage with garden ground at Tan Office Green let at rents of £35 10s. per annum.

Mr. A. Rolfe £300.

Boarded and slated building, now used as a motor garage and workshop at Chevington, let at £12 10s. per annum, and a stud and tiled cottage, let at £5 10s.

Mr. Thos. M. Ashton £250.

"Moor's Farm" Chevington, with 40 acres of land. – Withdrawn at £650.

Tan Office Farm, Chevington, with about nearly 77 acres of land. Withdrawn at £800.

Great Knowles Green Farm, Chevington, with over 113 acres of land, and cottage. – Withdrawn at £700.

Messrs. Partridge and Wilson were the solicitors concerned.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 5th October 1929.

Moor's, Tan Office & Knowles Green Farms, CHEVINGTON

About 6 miles from Bury St Edmund's

Agricultural Sale of

10 Powerful CART HORSES, mostly Half-bred Suffolk;

5 Dairy Cows, forward in calf;

5 Home-bred Steers and Heifers;

4 Sows, Boar and 19 Store Pigs;

17 Turkeys and Poultry: which

SALTER, SIMPSON & SONS

Having sold the farms are instructed by the Exors. of the late Mr. John Sangster to Sell by Auction, without reserve, at MOOR'S FARM

On TUESDAY, October 15th, 1929.

The following item was printed in the Newmarket Journal on the 19th October 1929.

CHEVINGTON.

On Tuesday, Messrs, Salter, Simpson and Sons sold the live and dead stock of Moor's, Tan Office, and Knowles Green Farms, Chevington, by direction of the executors of the late Mr. John Sangster.

The horses sold as follow :—Bay mare, rising 5 years, 39 gns.; bay gelding, 8 years, 37 gns.; ditto, 25 gns.; ditto, 21 gns.; ditto, 53 gns.; bay mare, aged, 21 gns.; bay gelding, 8 years, 27 gns.; bay colt, rising 3 years (unbroken), 21 gns,

Of the neat stock, cows forward in calf made £33 and £25 10s., while of the pigs a cross-bred sow and litter realised £11 10s., and cross-bred in-pig sows to £9 5s.; store pigs to 42s.

Among the dead stock were: Smyth's 7ft. steerage corn drill £31, mangold drill £21. Ransomes' 9-tine cultivator £13 10s., 3-horse Cambridge roll £7, Bamford's No. 4 grist mill £10, load tumbril with ladders £12 10s., load tumbril 10 gns., McCormick's grass mower £6 10s., Ransomes' YL single plough £3 5s.

The following item was printed in the Bury free Press on the 17th October 1942.

Messrs. SALTER, SIMPSON & SONS.

ON THURSDAY NEXT. Grove Farm, HARGRAVE. 6 ½ miles from Bury St. Edmund's and 9 from Newmarket.

Important Agricultural Sale of 25 HORSES, viz. 15 Suffolk and Half-bred Working Horses, 6 Colts, 2 and 3 years, 3 Foals, and Black Pony, 7 years, q.r.d. 66 Head of CATTLE, viz., 26 Dairy Cows. Roan Shorthorn Bull, 36 Home-bred Steers & Heifers and 3 Calves. 240 Suffolk Ewes and 5 Rams ; and 4 Young Sows pig ; which

Salter, Simpson & Sons

Are instructed by Mr. E. S. Farrow, who has sold the Grove, Green and Knowles Green Farms, extending to nearly 600 acres, to Sell by Auction, without reserve, On THURSDAY. Oct. 22nd, 1942, together with the

AGRICULTURAL CARRIAGES, HARNESS, etc.. including Two Fordson Tractors (1939), "International" Tractor (1930), 2 Cockshutt Ploughs. "Bedford 2 ton Lorry G 1933). Rover' 10 h.p. Saloon Car (1934), and "Austin Seven' (1933).

Sale to commence at 10.45 o'clock, Horses at 1.

Auctioneers' Offices; Bury St. Edmund's (phone 102) and Attleborough.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 26th February 1944.

HARRY PERCY FARROW

Deceased

ALL, persons having any claims against the Estate of the abovenamed deceased. late of Little; Knowles Green, Hargrave, Suffolk., who died on the 15th day of February 1941, are requested to forward forthwith particulars of their claims to the undersigned, and all persons indebted to the estate of the above-named deceased. are requested forthwith to pay the amount of their indebtedness to us.

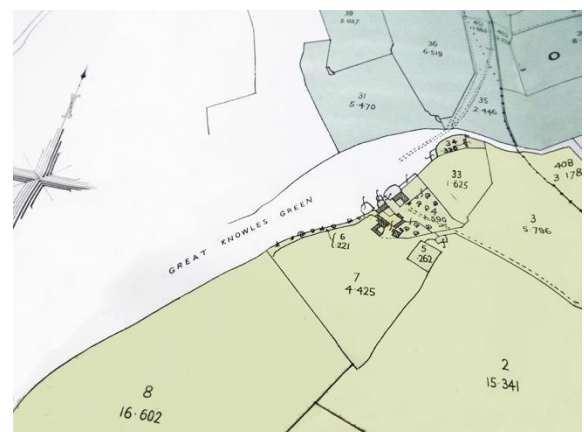
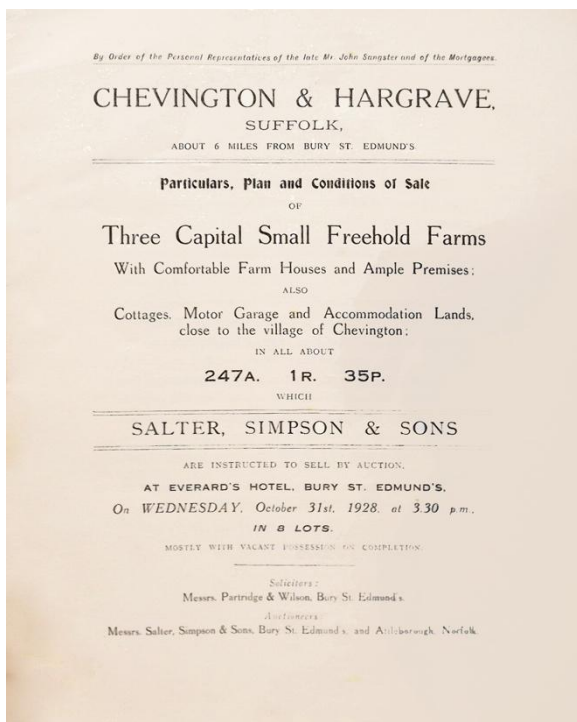
Dated this 18th day of February 1944, PARTRIDGE & WILSON, 88, Guildhall Street, Bury St. Edmund's, Solicitors for the Executors.

The following item was printed in the Bury Free Press on the 1st April 1949.

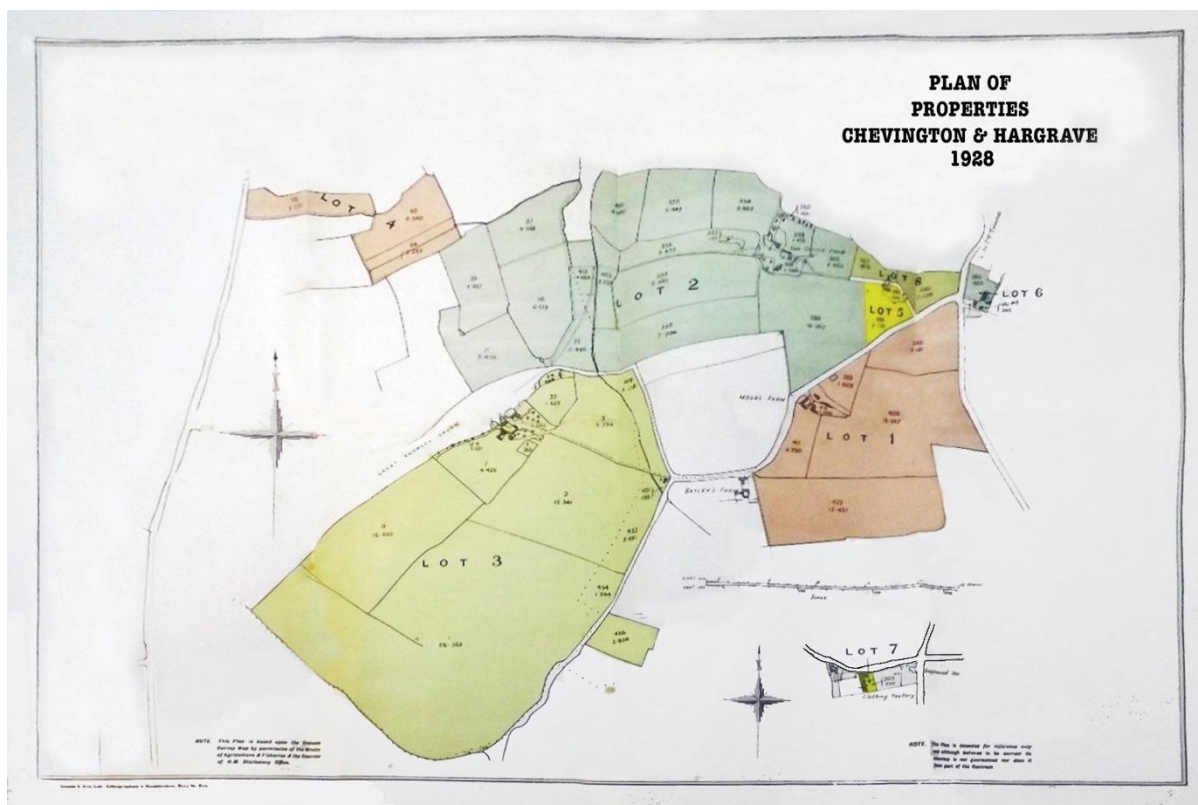
Depden wedding

THE wedding took place at Depden on Saturday of Mr. Patrick Adams, son of Mrs. Stephenson Adams and the late Mr. R. Adams, and Miss Enid Farrow, daughter of Mrs. Farrow and the late Mr. Percy Farrow, of Knowles Green Farm, Hargrave. An old King Edward VI. schoolboy, the bridegroom farming near Cambridge, and the bride is a nurse at the Evelyn Nursing Home, Cambridge. She was previously a nurse the West Suffolk Hospital.

APPENDIX B - Vintage Auctioneer's Catalogue for Farms & Land in Chevington & Hargrave 1928 (excerpts)



Great Knowles Green Farm



Nicholas Newman
August 2026