



Date	27 Westgate, Cowbridge	Source
	<p>27 Westgate</p> <p>This cottage is shown on the tithe map (c. 1843) as a stable, with a small garden. It was built in a corner of one of the 'Porrocks' (Paddocks), which otherwise remained as grazing land until the 1920s, when a row of bungalows was built. There was a dwelling adjoining 25 Westgate (Ivy House) in the 1891 Census, occupied by Emma Dawe, a widow with four children and two lodgers. It is not known if the stable had been converted into a house in the 1880s or if there was a rebuilding. The residents from the 1920s to the 1940s were Johnson Miles and family. He was a prominent local politician, mayor of Cowbridge in 1935 and a Glamorgan county alderman.</p>	Brian James
1861	Possibly - Thomas Thomas, haulier, 52, from St Mary Church, wife Jane 48 from Llantrithyd, son John 21, haulier, born Llanmihangel, daughter Mary, 16, born Llanmihangel and daughter Catherine 11, scholar, born Cowbridge	Census 113
1871	Possibly - Thomas Thomas, 64, currier born St Mary Church, wife Jane 39 born Llantrithyd, daughter Catherine Thomas 21, a dressmaker born Cowbridge, and grandchildren John and Sarah Thomas, 6 and 4, born Llanblethian	Census 126
1881	Possibly - Jane Thomas, widow, housekeeper, born Llantrithyd, with daughter Mary Ann Hopkins, married, 36, a commission agent's wife born Llanmihangel, and grand-daughter Blanche Hopkins 5, and grandsons Gomer 2 and Frederick 2, all three born Briton Ferry	Census 283
	<i>The above may well not be accurate</i>	
1891	Emma Dawe, 39, widow, a seamstress, born Weymouth, with son George, 18, a stonemason and daughter Mary 17, domestic servant, both born Charminster daughter Jessie Dawe, 12, a domestic nurse, Beatrice 10, scholar, both born Llantrisant, and lodgers Joseph Blick, 21 and Albert Bryant 28, both quarrymen (stone) born Poole and Gloucester	Census 276
1901	Robert Stone, 44, haulier for corn and seed merchant, born Somerset, with wife Unity, 44, born Somerset, son Sidney, 21, also a haulier for a corn and seed merchant, born Somerset, daughter Elizabeth 20, a dressmaker, born Cowbridge, and son William 16, a saddler, born Cowbridge; plus boarders William H Johnson, 58, watch and clock repairer, born Cardiff, and Rhoda Thomas, 47, a charwoman born Cowbridge	Census 234

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1911	Robert Stone, 54, coal merchant born Yeovil, Somerset, wife Unity 33 b. Yeovil, son John William Stone 28, assisting in the business, born Cowbridge, and lodgers William Henry Johnson, 68, a watchmaker born Cardiff, Thomas Lloyd 34, and Thomas Robinson 49, both general labourers in the coal business, one born Glamorgan, the other Staffordshire. Five rooms	Census 239
1912	No. 27 – Henry John	<i>Western Mail</i> directory
1921	Nicholl estate sale included – a cottage, which is let to Mr Arthur Thomas, in the occupation of Mr J. Miles (annual tenancy). It is built of stone, with a slate roof, and contains a kitchen, back kitchen, pantry, box room and two bedrooms, with a garden and closet to the rear	D/D SA 15-50, <i>chs00173</i> includes a map of the site
	This building fronted onto Westgate, sited on the far east of a plot of land being sold (later used for housing development of the bungalows)	
1921	Johnson and Lily Miles	Electoral register
1935	Johnson and Lily Miles, Hilda Doris and Lily (junior) Miles, and Ernest Johnson Miles	Register of electors
1935	Councillor Johnson Miles was the first Socialist mayor for Cowbridge. He beat his rival, Mrs Gwendoline Tilley (Conservative party), who happened to live next door in 25 Westgate. Mr Miles, a collier, was unemployed in the town for ten years until last year when he found part-time work. He was seven times defeated at the polls	<i>Daily Express</i> of November 4 <sup>th</sup> 1935, <i>chs03153</i>
1947	Johnson and Lily Miles, and Wilfrid Miles	Civilian Residence register
1949, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Alderman Johnson Story Miles of 27 Westgate died on Thursday as the result of a motoring accident. He was driving his car down Keeper’s Hill from Bridgend to Cowbridge about 1 pm when his car collided head-on with a Western Welsh bus travelling in the opposite direction. A native of Carmarthen, he was 71 years of age and came to Cowbridge in 1919. At the age of 15, he became a coal miner, eventually becoming a checkweigher in the Pontyclun district. By the age of 20, he was an active worker in the Labour Movement.	<i>Glamorgan Gazette</i>
1949, 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Funeral of Johnson Miles (born 1876) at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Cowbridge.	Chs03251
1961	Mrs. Miles, 27 Westgate	Listed in accounts book of ‘Flo’ Hinton, 65 High St.