

Alderman Thomas Llewellyn, September 1799-September 1888

The son of **Thomas Llewellyn**, maltster (1766-1832), whose malthouse was on the south side of Westgate (the site of about 6-8 Westgate) in 1828 and was mentioned in the deeds in 1856 when Ald. Thomas Llewellyn purchased the property ('adjacent on the east to a malthouse of the said Thomas Llewellyn')

1825, deeds of **43 High Street, Cowbridge** (*now Arthur John, ironmonger*) – Property sold to **Thomas Llewellyn**, gent of Cowbridge and his trustee, **Nathaniel Young**, saddler of Cowbridge. In 1830, land tax assessment showed the owner as Thomas Llewellyn junior (*Robert Stibbs occupied, house & garden*). 1834, *Thomas Llewellyn still the owner - Cambrian newspaper advertisement for letting the property as a bakery & shop*. By 1843, *John Bevan was the owner & occupier*.

c1825, Verlands lived in by Thomas Llewellyn. *He succeeded Edward Morgan of Cheltenham (Jeff Alden's notes). Cambrian newspaper report of 1832 stated that Rev. Edward Morgan, Rector of Eglwys Brewis, died at his house, Verlong, nr Cowbridge.*

1828 & 1830 – Son & daughter born to Thomas & Emma Llewellyn, surveyor of Llanblethian (*Llb. parish records*). *Jeff Alden subsequently wrote: Emma married Thos. Llewellyn, 1799-1888, alderman & bailiff. Three children – Emma (alive in 1880), Henrietta Hayley (1821-1840) and Maria Louisa (1826-1906) who married Edward Davies.*

1834, 23rd August Death of Mrs Thomas Llewellyn of Vurlong House (*Verlands*), second daughter of the late Sir Robert Baker, Bart. of Richmond, Surrey, in her 38th year (*born c1796*). 'To her infant children, her death is an irreplaceable loss' -*Cambrian newspaper*

1835, *B/Cow 192* Reference to Henrietta, daughter of Thos Llewellyn of the Vurlong as one of the 3 lives in a lease of land or sheep pens.

1836 Marriage at Bristol of Thomas Llewellyn to Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the late Lewis Davies Esq. of Mardi (*Mardy*), Merthyr

1837, parish records – Son born to T and E Llewellyn

1841, tithe records for the Verlands – Edward Morgan owned, Thomas Llewellyn occupied, house and garden & front field

1846 Marriage of Miss Maria Louisa Llewellyn to Edward Davies, carrier of Cowbridge (*of 44 High Street*)

1851 census At the Verlands – Thomas Llewellyn, 57 years, farmer of 300 acres, with married daughter Maria Louisa, 25, and unmarried daughter Emma Mary, 17, scholar, plus a servant.

1856, D/D X75 Thomas Llewellyn purchased 6-8 Westgate, Cowbridge from John Bevan and John Thomas for £450

1860 Verlands advertised to let.

1861 Penlline census, schedule 15 between Pentremeyrick and Chapel Lodge – Thomas Llewellyn, widower, 61, coal proprietor seed merchant & farmer of....acres, born Cowbridge, employing...men, with daughter Emma, unmarried, aged 26, born Cowbridge

1871 Cowbridge census – 81 & 83 Eastgate – Thomas Llewellyn, 71, landed proprietor & town magistrate, with servant

1881 census – 81 & 83 Eastgate, aged 82, Alderman & retired corn merchant, with servant

Holy Cross graves – 87c in the churchyard, section towards the Grammar School, central but slightly towards Church St. – large ornate cross on top of contoured headstone, iron railings, faces east, north & south. Sacred to the memory of Mary Hayley Louisa, daughter of Thomas and Emma Llewellyn of this town, died 8th March 1828 aged 6 months; also Thomas Hayley their son died November 27th 1828 aged 4 months; also the above named Emma Llewellyn died August 22nd 1834 aged 35 yrs; also Henrietta Hayley their daughter, died 30th Nov. 1840 aged 19 yrs; also the above named Thomas Llewellyn, Alderman & Bailiff, died Sept 29 1888 aged 89 yrs. Copestone south, also Edward Davies of High St died 28 Jan 1897 aged 76 yrs; north – Maria Louisa Davies, widow and daughter of Thos Llewellyn died 7 April 1906 aged 80 yrs.

Emma Baker married Thomas Llewellyn of Vurlong House, Cowbridge 16th November 1826 in Clifton, Bristol. She died as Emma Llewellyn 22/8/1834 aged 35 in Cowbridge – *grave 87c Holy Cross Church*

She was the daughter of Sir Robert Baker as follows :

Sir Robert Baker was the youngest son of **John and Sarah Baker**. John was MD (Master of Divinity). Sarah was the daughter and co-heiress of **Robert Wood LLD**. Sir Robert Baker, of Upper Dunstable House, Richmond, Surrey and Nicholashayne, in the parish of Culmstock, Devon (4 miles SW of Wellington), married Dinah, only child of **George Hayley**, Alderman and MP for London in 1783. She died as **Dame Dinah Baker** at Upper Dunstable House aged 46 in March 1805. Sir Robert Baker was created 1st Baronet as Inspector of Factories (?), by appointment of Queen Victoria.

The children of **Sir Robert and Dinah** were :

1. Robert, born 13/11/1785, died June 1802 aged 16 years
2. Sir Henry Loraine, 2nd Baronet, born 1787, married Louisa Ann Williams. He succeeded to the family seat of Upper Dunstable House on the death of his father. The son of Henry Loraine Baker and Louisa Ann Baker was Sir Henry Williams Baker, b. 27/5/1821 in London,

who seems to have been the main writer of the book 'Hymns Ancient and Modern', published 1861, and was the author of several of the hymns. He was vicar of Monkland, Herefordshire (near Leominster) between 1851 and 1877, succeeded as 3rd Baronet Baker of Dunstable House on 2/11/1859, and he died unmarried at Horkesley House, Monkland on 12th February 1877 (buried All Saints, Monkland).

3. George Augustus, born 27/1/1788, clerk in holy orders, who married Sophia Sherston, youngest daughter of Peter Sherston Esq. of Stoberry (?Stobury) Hill, Somerset, on 9/5/1812. Rector of Ibstone-cum-Fingest, Oxfordshire (near High Wycombe), he died 4/3/1866 aged 78.

4. Onslow, born 8/8/1795, Captain in Artillery

5. Mary Hayley, born 5/11/1795 (??), died 1838 unmarried

6. Louisa, born about June 1793

7. **Emma, married Thomas Llewellyn**

Was there also a John Baker and/or a Sarah Baker?

Alderman Thomas Llewellyn's brother was **Nathaniel Llewellyn (1808-1865)** who married Anne Young, daughter of **Nathaniel Young** of the Greyhound Inn, High Street, Cowbridge (51 & 53 High St – burgage rents show him living there 1806-16). Nathaniel Young occupied 9 Church St in 1773 land tax assessments, 13 windows; in 1817, he was said to be the uncle of Nathaniel Llewellyn, when he took over the Duke of Wellington – in that property's deeds, and in 1830, Nathaniel Young occupied or owned 1 & 2 Church St, and 3-5 Church St, according to land tax assessments; 1842, the will of Nathaniel Young, saddler referred to 1 Church St. Holy Cross stone, flat slab, exterior, inscription re Nathaniel Young of this town who died March 1798 aged 55 years, Jane wife of Nathaniel Young died 1801 aged 60 yrs, Daniel infant son, Mary child daughter, and Daniel their son died March 1816 aged 42 yrs; also Ann wife of Nathaniel Young died August 1830 aged 65 yrs. - Nathaniel Llewellyn (c.1808-65), one of the sons of Thomas Llewellyn (1766-1832), maltster & postmaster. Nathaniel married Anne Young, daughter of Nathaniel Young of the Greyhound Inn; ten children. He first became a road surveyor, then a saddler, and was also a clerk to the Inland Revenue. He was brother to Thomas Llewellyn (c.1799-1888) of the Verlands, written by Jeff Alden & Brian James. 1843 tithe records show Nathaniel Llewellyn owning 1 and 2 Church St and 3 Church St., plus another property, a cottage, in that street. 1848 Duke of Wellington

deeds refer to Nathaniel Llewellyn (died 12/3/1867) as a saddler, uncle of another Nathaniel Llewellyn occupier of a Church Street property. In the 1851 census, he was 42, a saddler employing two men, born Cowbridge, with wife Jane. They had 13 children altogether. He died in 1855 and Jane continued the saddlery business.

1827, 25th March **baptism of Nathaniel Young Bird**, son of James & Sarah Bird (of 14 High St). Nathaniel Bird became the ironmonger at this property, marrying the daughter of Robert Stibbs, Cowbridge confectioner. The Bird family still live in Cowbridge and own this property of 14 High St (now Costa Coffee) and the land where Waitrose and facing stores (e.g. Fat-face and Rohan) are sited.