

Miscellany of Cowbridge Court Sessions 1671 to 1880

B/Cow 124

1672/3

Lease for 99 yrs
William Freame and Mathias Deane, gents, bailiffs of C, and the commonality of Cowbridge, to William Deane (son and daughter of Mathias Deane)
parcel of vacant land in town ditch, without the South Gate, adjoining west the garden of John Llewellyn, alderman
north the Town walls, east the house and garden of George Howard's children (wherein Mary Morgan, spinster now lives), and south the way leading from the south gate to the bowling green.

125.

1775

Lease of Butts Garden to Catherine Giddings

126

1790

Lease of 2 gardens to Chris Bradley

140.

Lease for 99 yrs, 3 May 1832, to Edwd Ballard, ironmonger
a piece of waste ground near South Gate (in length 100 ft from the wall of the turnpike ho towards the mill, and of different widths up to the hedge of a field of Lord Dynevor's, leaving a clear road
25 ft in width, from the field called the Closes
property of Dr Williams, having on all sides the toll or turnpike house, the said field of Lord Dynevor, and the turnpike road leading to the mill

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1775, conveyance of messuages, near the East Gate, and a stable adjoining the House of Correction to William Wathen of Llantwit Major

1738 Epiphany

No 175 To the King's Justices at the General Sessions of the Peace to be held in and for the said county in the town of Cardiff

We the persons subscribing, being Protestant Dissenters commonly called Quakers, do hereby certify that we intend to make use of the Town Hall and the several houses known by the names of the Bear, Red Cow, and the White Hart in the town of Cowbridge, for places of divine worship which it is our just and bounden duty to perform; and we humbly desire that the same may be recorded as such according to the direction of the law in that behalf made and provided. Given under our hands the 8th day of the 11th month called January 1738

John Bevan
Evan Bevan
Cornelius Francis
Meyrick William
Thomas Edward

Sessions Roll

I Cowbridge, 11/4/1727

Presentments:

5. Mary, wife of Wm Rosser of Llanblethian, yeoman, 10 april, assaulted Ann, wife of David Lloyd

V. Neath, 15/7/1729

M13. Margaret Butler of Llanblethian, recognisance of £20, to prosecute Jane William for alleged theft of a blanket belonging to sd Margaret Butler

M32. Jane William of Llb, spr, on 8 May, stole 1 blanket value 6d from Margaret Butler.

VII. Cardiff, 13/1/1729-30

M6. Morgan William of Llanblethian, recognisance of £40..... Carnal knowledge of Mary Evan and begetting her with child.

IX. Neath, 14/7/1730

David Morgan of Cowbridge, butcher, on 1 June – assault and battery on Robert Llewellyn

May 1759

P192. House of Correction at Cowbridge is in great decay and out of repair – ordered that the same be repaired under care and direction of Matthew Deere, Esq, of HMs JPs for the county

Easter 1770 (Vol 5, Epiphany 1769 – Michaelmas 1771)

Advertisement to be placed in Gloucester Journal to request meeting of the gentlemen of the county, at Bear Inn, Cowbridge, on 14 June, to consider the petition to Parliament for the future HMs Court of Great Sessions to be held in the town of Cowbridge, the same having been already moved there by the Hon HMs justices of said Court of Great Sessions, and considered by several of the principal gentlemen as a most eligible situation for the conveniency of the Justices of the sd Court to transact the public business of the sd city

Vol 8, Easter 1774

....Corporation of town of Cowbridge has licence to take down 7 ½ feet of south end of the House of Correction adjoining the East Gate at their expense and in consideration of their building a strong and secure pine end with a chimney therein at the south end of the remaining part thereof and so as the room on the ground floor Be 15 in length and 15 in breadth clear within the walls

Easter 1777

Wm Rosser, master of the House of Correction be discharged from his office for various misdemeanours
Wm Deere of Cowbridge, innkeeper, be appointed master of the House of Correction

March 1787

Complaint by Wm Deere that Thomas Rees the younger of the psh of Llanblethian, ordered to be confined in the H of C, is so 'furiously mad and so far disordered in his senses that it is dangerous to permit him to go abroad

1738 Epiphany

No 175: Protestant dissenters – Quakers – to use Town Hall, Bear, Red Cow, and White Hart for places of divine worship. Jan 1738, John Bevan, Evan Bevan, Cornelius Francis, Thomas Edward

1751, July

No 83: Account of misrepairs of House of Correction at Cowbridge

Over ye strong ward ye bords are rotted and dangerous to tread on and the roof ready to fall without rafters of one side and the top stands upon props and ready to drop down, and next room over the dwelling house without one sound board and another chamber without gives having fallen down and rotten two doores and three doore frames wanted and not a tolerable room in the house (to) live in nor as much as a necessary

place to ease their bodies. Surveyed and examined and by moderate calculation can no less than amount to
£15

Mark of Robert Loughor, mason
Richard Deere, carpenter

Glamorgan Sessions Estreats of Fines
Cardiff MS 5.133 in GRO

QS at Cowbridge, 29//34 Geo III
Joseph Key of Cowbridge, for not repairing street opp his dw ho.....

QS at Swansea, 6/10/34 Geo III
Margaret, wife of Evan John of Llb, fo a rescue of the cattle of one David Morris at Llanblethian, £1.1s
John Thomas of Cowbridge for assault at Cowbridge, £5

QS at Cardiff, 12/1/36 Geo III

Robert Thomas, Cowbridge, shoemaker, for neglect of duties as constable	£20
John Keys of C, currier, and	
Wm Harr of C, butcher, pledges re above (£10 each)	£20
Edward Robert of C, shoemaker, neglect of duties	£20
Edward Rowland of C, carpenter	
Thomas Griffith of C, smith, pledges	£20
Wm Day of C, baker, neglect of duties	£20
Wm Meredith of C, sheriff's bailiff	
David Howell of C, labourer, pledges	£20
Wm Abraham of C, labourer, neglect of duties	£20
Thomas David of C, tailor	
Wm Thomas of C, thatcher, pledges	£20

Court of General Sessions, B/Cow 4

24.9.1761

We present

John Lewis, baker, for committing a nuisance on that part of the street of the said town which lies between the dwelling house of Richard Gimlett victualler, by throwing dirt and rubbish thereon

1765

We present that the Causeway leading from the entrance into Church Street

to the dwelling house of Revd Daniel Durel is ruinous and out of repair, an

that Alexander Wilson, Isaac Redwood, Mary Emmanuel and John Tanner

ought to repair as much thereof as lies opposite to their respective

dwelling houses and Revd Daniel Durel so much as lies opposite his stable yard

1766

... that the gutter lying in Church Street and leading from the dwelling house of George Thomas

in the church yard being open and conveying excrement and other filth is a nuisance

to HM's subjects...

30.9.1779

the pitching of the common highway leading from the Town Hall to the west side of Jacob Thomas's dwelling house called the Masons Arms is out of repair

...John Cole for laying a dunghill in Church St, adjoining the stable in his possession

.. the common highway from opposite the w side of John Thomas's dwelling called the Crown opposite the eastern side of Mr Thomas Lewis's dwelling house is out of repair

.. Francis Thomas innkeeper for laying rubbish in the highway opposite his dwelling house known by the sign of the Blue Bell

20.9.1780

.. Wm Thomas, Samuel Gwinnett Esq, John Evan, Mr Thomas Thomas, Thomas Edmondson junior Esq, for not repairing the pitching opposite their respective houses, in occupation of William Thomas, William Morgan Harper, David John and Evan John, William John, John Walton and Walter Williams.

1783 ...the gutter leading through Church St from the S end of Mr Coles Workshop to the church yard is out of repair...

18.9.1783

Edward Thomas, innkeeper, elected burgess

27.9.1784

Morgan Thomas, innkeeper, in recog of £10 on condition that Mary, wife of MT, appear and answer the complaint of Benjamin Thomas for abusing him in the execution of his office

24.1.1787

Walter Williams, innkeeper

Christopher Bradley, innkeeper, burgess

Highway by Spread Eagle inn to be repaired

31.10.1787

Wm Rees, innkeeper, burgess

1788 the gutter in Church St is out of repair, and should be repaired by Walter Williams, John Cole and William Lewis the occupiers of the houses and streets adjoining

18.12.1789

Give lease to John Lewis to enclose spot of ground adjoining the West turnpike gate and the close called the hopyard for a garden with a dead fence

1789 The Butts Garden with that adjoining thereto, late in possession of Mr William Vallance agreed to be let to Christopher Bradley for 21 years

1794 a heap of rubbish opposite the Free School has been placed there for some time and ought to be removed
the ditching from the free school to the gutter opposite the churchyard gate is out of repair

22.9.1808

The dunghills behind the Black Horse, the Three Boars Heads and Mr Francis Taynton's house are nuisances

Court of Pleas: B/Cow 5

1766 Treasurer to pay Thomas Rees the sexton 5/- for ringing the six o'clock bell from Lady Day until Michaelmas
Treasurer to pay Mr Philip Walton and Mr Oliver Richard 13gns for the expense of erecting the pump in the East Village on their undertaking to sink into a proper depth of water

1767 William Felton was sworn Cross Keeper and beadle for the said town

1776 10 gns to paid to Herbert Mackworth or him to remit to London as a subscription of this Corporation for the relief of the soldiers in America and of the widows and orphans of such as have fallen or may fall in defence of the rights of the mother country

1789 Lease of the Butts Garden to Christopher Bradley, 3 lives

1794 Pound be let to Jacob Thomas, to impound every pig that belongs to the inhabitants found wandering about the streets, and every pig which shall be impounded should not be liberated without paying the pound keeper 2pence
...that a door be made for the shop by the South Gate house occupied by Jacob Thomas

1796 a petition be presented to apply for establishing a post office in this town

Extracts, Quarter Sessions Order Books

Vol 8; Easter 1777, p 611

Ordered that William Deere, of C, innkeeper, be appointed master of the House of Correction

B/Cow 7 Court of Aldermen

1830 James Ballard, innkeeper, elected alderman

B/Cow 6, Court of Common Council

1760 The Butts Garden is let to Richard Morris for 1 year at 20/-pa

1768 do - let to John Giddings for 3 yrs

24.11.1763

John Giddings, innkeeper, burgess, elected capital burgess; Jenkin Thomas shopkeeper and William Howard innkeeper appointed bailiff's constables

1768

Butts garden let to John Giddings for £5pa from 25.3.1767; Town house and stable by eastern gate let to Mr Thomas Thomas at £6pa

18.5.1769

Another lease of Butts garden to J Giddings; concurrent lease to Mr Robert Taynton of the shop adjoining west pine end of the Half Moon for 21 years at 10/- pa

14.9.1769

Walter Williams of the Bear Inn elected freeman

1770 Lease to John Williams of Breach for half a burgage leading from the South Gate towards the council tutt in trust for master of the Free School.

21.6. 1770

Walter Williams, innkeeper and Thomas Williams the younger elected capital burgesses to succeed Philip Walton and Jas Morgan deceased

13.10.1770

Lease to Edward Bates of the shop adjoining the western pine end of the Half Moon for 21 yrs at 10/- pa

7.11.1770

Jeremiah Jones, innkeeper, one of two sworn in as King's Constable

Richard Williams innkeeper and Thomas Richard innkeeper two of four sworn in as bailiffs Constables

28.11.1771

Wm Whitworth innkeeper, bailiff's constable

9.2.1773

ref to Mr Walter Williams tenant of Mr Vallance's late garden without the South Gate - 21 yr lease at 10/- pa

Agreement to sell houses by the East Gate (details)

11.5.1775

Two mess garden and curtilage purchased of John Robert and Mary wife, and stable opposite, thereto and adjoining the House of Correction, to be sold and the money to be applied in discharging £100 borrowed from Edward Lewis of Penlline Esq on the credit of a promissory note given him by several members of this corporation in 1768 when the same and upwards of £20 more were laid out in repairing the Guild or Town Hall for the accommodation of suitors and others attending the great Sessions of this County which have ever since been held therein..

(Later agreement that John Roberts' late messes be discharged of the £45 part of Mrs Catherine Williams charity money)

1776 John Lougher, clock & watchmaker, elected burgess.

1778 Agreed that the house in Church Street called the School House with the appurtenances to be let on a lease for 21 years, 3 lives or 99 years.

15.10.1778

Mr Walter Williams sworn in as alderman

7.10.1779

Wm Bowen innkeeper, made Kings Constable

Francis Thomas, John Morgan, Edward Robert, Rees Hopkin, innkeepers, made constables

John Bradley, elected burgess

21.11.1782

Daniel Jones of the Black Horse, shoemaker, proved his settlement to be therein and that he gained the same by one year's service with the late John Edmondson, Esq

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1783 William Thomas of the Masons Arms

Morgan Thomas of the White Lion

William Rees of the White Hart – all elected burgesses.

26.2.1784

Walter Williams, capital burgess

23.10.1783

Richard Lougher, Sergeant at Mace

30.10.1783

William Thomas of the Masons Arms

Morgan Thomas of the White Lion

Wm Rees of the White Hart

Wm Barton, shoemaker - all made petty constables

30.10.1783

Ordered a licence to be granted to Robert Thomas to sell ale at the Lamb Ale House in this town, and the said Robert Thomas, Robert Arnot and William Ocknill be entered in recognizance for that purpose

6.11.1783

William Thomas innkeeper, Bailiffs constable

Morgan Thomas, William Rees, innkeepers, bailiff's constables

1785 Unanimously agreed that the treasurer should pay Revd John Walters £18 as a gratitude from the Corporation for his and his son Revd John Walters the younger officiating as ministers of this town for 1 yr and 6 mths since decease of Revd Thomas Williams.

16.2.1786

That the piece of apron land below the Town Ditch and the eastern pine end of the Lamb be let..

9.3.1786

The piece of unenclosed land between the Town Ditch and the old Town Wall by the Lamb Inn extending from the street to Wain y Gaer be let...

1786 ...lease of land outside S Gate and adjoining the new house and garden belonging to the Free School for use of Mr Walters and his successors

...that 5gns be paid by Treasurer to Revd Mr Daniel Walters... towards the additions and improvements made in the Free School...

1 years rent be allowed John Jenkins towards repair of cot and garden by the S Gate which he agrees to take a lease for 99 yrs determinable on his life, wife Charity and Charlotte Williams daughter of the late Revd Thos Williams

30.3.1786

.... on 3 lives to Mr Thomas Thomas, one of the aldermen, at 3/- pa

14.12.1786

.... William Barton to have a lease of this land, Mr Thomas having relinquished it, for 99 yrs or lives of Margaret wife and daughter Mary, at 1/- pa

4.6.1787

William Rees	Eagle
William Thomas	Masons Arms
Christopher Bradley	Bear
Edward Thomas	Half Moon
Morgan Thomas	White Lion
Rowland William	White Hart
John Thomas	Crown
William Lewis	Red Lion
Richard William	Horse and Jockey
Francis Thomas	Blue Bell
Daniel Lewis	Royal Oak
William Bowen	Tennis Court
William Richard	Cross Keys
Morgan Morgan	Pelican

all owed arrears of rent to the Treasurer and were in danger of being sued (and Mary Copins, Robert Howe)

1787 Five houses or cots by Pwll y Butts, 3 whereof are now annexed to the workhouse one in occupation of Anne Evan, widow, and one in occupation of Morgan Rees. ... deficient measures (inns named)

1797 Agreed that £20 be subscribed to form a Volunteer Military Association within the said town

1798 Treasurer to pay annually by quarterly instalments 6gns to Mr Edward Prichard organist for playing on the organ in the parish church of Cowbridge on every Sunday and on feasts and festivals on which divine service shall be performed (except such days as friendly clubs and associations shall go to church). This Edward Prichard to keep the organ now erected in the said parish church in repair and to suffer the treasurer to deduct 5/- out of his salary on every day he shall absent himself without finding sufficient substitute. This Edward Prichard to play a voluntary two psalms on going out of church. ...also ordered that 6s pa be paid for a person blowing wind to the organ.

1800 Ordered that the road from the |S Gate to the Mill be repaired, and that an arch be thrown on the gutter in Church Street.

1801 One guinea be paid additionally to Mr Edward Prichard as organist

1803 Bridge be made over the river near Council Tut at the usual place, Mr Christopher Bradley to superintend fixing, reward of 2gns to discover who was responsible persons who broke down the last bridge

1804 That a paved causeway be made from the corner of Church St to the church yard gate and that John Thomas, Esq to be superintend, the same to be sufficient width for 2 to walk on a breast.

1805 ..The pound and the old arch near the Free School be immediately repaired, John Thomas, cooper, to superintend

1805 Details re new pig market
Ordered that the new pitching in Church Street be extended to the west end of Mrs Savours' house.

29.8.1805
recommendation of removal of pig market to the void space of ground from Pwll y Butts to the Turnpike road in front of the academy formerly the Eagle Inn...
... that old ruin near the academy be employed in building the said wall for the pig market

24.4.1806
Ordered that some sheep pens be built on the ground now an old ruin near the Pwll y Butts as soon as convenient after the May Fair... and as many as can be built on the void piece of ground near the Masons arms

1807 William Bootel of this town, clerk of the Market
Richard Felton the present poundkeeper be discharged from his office owing to the total neglect of his duty

22.9.1808
Mr Morgan David, publican, burgess

6.11.1806
£1.15s 6d to be paid, leaving the addition to 5gns, for repairing the pump opposite the Bear...to William Bradley by the Treasurer, making the whole the sum of £7.0s 6d

25.6.1807
Michael Glover, innkeeper, burgess (capital burgess Nov 1807)

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8.10.1807
Morgan David, innkeeper, capital burgess

29.10.1807
Michael Glover, innkeeper, capital burgess

5.5.1808
Complaint made by Mr Williams of the Academy that the pigs on Market Day are now in a great measure kept by his house and the adjoining houses instead of being kept on the void between the turnpike road fronting the academy and the Pwll y Butts

23.3.1809

The gutter in the street opposite the Three Boars Heads, the Black Horse and Mr Taynton's House be repaired and that part of the Town Ditch leading through the town between the shop of John Parrot hatter and the Horse and Groom be also repaired

31.1.1811

Rees Thomas, victualler, to be sworn a constable

23.5. 1811

Wm Griffiths, innkeeper, sworn as constable

22.6.1815

John Thomas of the Black Horse, publican

23.10. 1818

Ordered that Watkin Lloyd of the Tennis Court be... constable

5.11.1818

Wm Morgan, barber, sworn into the office of Ale taster

9.9.1819

Ordered that Mr James Simpson be permitted to break open a door through his wall belonging to the Masons Arms and to have liberty of passing through one of the present sheep pens as a road to such door, he engaging previous to such door being opened to build another sheep pen at his own expense of the same size and dimensions as the one he makes use of as passage.

8.3.1820

William Lewis of Bonvilston and David Lewis of C, claimed freedom in right of their father John Lewis of Cowbridge, publican

19.10.1825

Ordered that an estimate be made by Mr James Bird of the expense of purchasing lighting 4, 6 or 8 lamps from the first day of November until the first day of March, each lamp to be supplied with a sufficient quantity of oil to burn from the hour of 5 in the evening until the hour of 12 at night on every day except for four days before the full moon in each month...

21.6.1821

Ordered that the shop standing at the pine end of Lord Clarendon's house in the Church Street be immediately taken down and the materials removed

16.8.1821

William Morgan, publican, was sworn into the office of constable in the room of Rees Thomas who has left the town

20.3.1823

David Williams, victualler, to be clerk of the market

21.8.1823

Jenkin Morris, maltster, freeman

30.10.1823

David Howells, maltster, clerk of the market

10.3.1825

William Williams late of Crutched Friars in the city of London, wine merchant, but at present residing at Cowbridge, claimed freedom in right of being one of the sons of Revd William Williams, DD

31.3.1825

Thomas Griffiths, publican, having been at the last court fined 5/- for rescuing his pigs from the pound keeper, who was taking the same to pound...

13.3.1826

John Jones of Newton Nottage, married to Mary the daughter of William Rees deceased, formerly an innkeeper res in Cowbridge

28.12.1826

Edward Prees be discharged as Ale taster.

28.4.1831

Thomas Thomas has vacated possession as Sergeant at Mace by taking a public house

3.5.1832

Robt Stibbs, pastrycook, sworn into office of Constable, in room of William Vincent, emigrated

24.5. 1832

Town Ditch between the bridge leading to Mr Taynton's field and down by the Horse and Jockey garden, and the new mkt ho to the Wain y Gaer be cleaned at the corporation's expense

31.8.1833

List of persons obtaining certificates for keeping inns, alehouses &c in the Town of Cowbridge the 31st August 1833

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William John	Pelican
James Ballard	Bear
John Harman	Greyhound
William Llewellyn	White Lyon
Thomas Jones	Three Boars Heads
Edward Lewis	Blackhorse
David Richard	Horse and Groom
Elizabeth Griffiths	Cross Keys
Watkin Lloyd	3 Tuns
Jennett Thomas	Blue Bell
Thomas Thomas	Butchers Arms
Thomas Morgan	White Hart
Thomas Griffiths	Cowbridge Arms
William Thomas	Coach and Horses
William Howe	Masons Arms

7.5.1835

Ordered that the Black Horse be advertised to be let.. in the meantime the town clerk be authorized to let the same at the rent of £9

3.9.1835

List of persons obtaining certificates for keeping inns, alehouses, &c

William Jones	Pelican
James Ballard	Bear
Thomas David	Greyhound
David Jones	White Lion
Thomas Jones	Three Boars Heads
David Richard	Horse and Groom

David Howard	Cross Keys
Watkin Lloyd	3 Tuns
Jennett Thomas	Blue Bell
David Morgan	Butchers Arms
David Morgan	White Hart
Thomas Griffiths	Cowbridge Arms
William Thomas	Coach and Horses
William Howe	Masons Arms
David Bevan	Edmond's Arms
Richard Rees	Farmers Arms
David Jones	Ship Aground
Jacob Horton	Red Lion
John Edwards	Eight Bells

18.2.1836

The Black Lion having been put up for auction was knocked down to Mr David Davies, Colwinston, at the yearly rent of £9. 10s. and Mr David Davies, Llanblethian and Mr Lewis of Llansannor became his sureties (Black Horse?)

8.9.1836

At a special sessions held at the Guildhall before the justices there assembled, certificates for keeping inns, &c were granted to the following persons

John Morris	Pelican
Joanna Howe	Masons Arms
James Ballard	The Bear
Thomas David	The Greyhound
William Thomas	Coach and Horses
Thomas Griffiths	Cowbridge Arms
David Morgan	White Hart
Preece	White Lion
Thomas Jones	Three Boars Heads
Richard Rees	Farmers Arms
David Morgan	Butchers Arms
David Jones	Ship Aground
Jennet Thomas	Blue Bell
David Richards	Horse and Groom
Watkin Lloyd	Three Tuns
David Howard	Cross Keys
John Edwards	Eight Bells
Jacob Horton	Red Lion
David Bevan	Edmond's Arms
William John	Bush
William Rees	Westgate House

13.4.1838

Mr Watkin Lloyd of the 3 Tuns and Mr Thomas Lewis of the Horse and Groom stood surety for David Lloyd. The house called the Coopers Arms late in the occupation of Mr William Williams victualler, was put up to auction and knocked down at the reserved bidding of the Town Clerk of £7

19.7.1838

Mr Edward Ballard reported that he had let the house formerly known as the School House situate in Church street in the said town to Mr Thomas David late of the Greyhound public house at the yearly rent of £7, and the Coopers Arms to Mr John Thomas junior at £7pa

25.4.1839

The ho adjoining the Town Hall lately known as the Coopers Arms was put up to auction to the highest bidder and knocked down to Mrs Elizabeth Bowen at £5pa, the pigsty usually usually occupied with the house to be included. The brewhouse usually occupied with the before mentioned house was let to Mr John Nicholas at £2pa

1.5.1845

Mr David Thomas of the Blue Bell, victualler

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25.4.1850

Mr Morgan Williams, victualler, appointed Sergeant at Mace

20.4.1854

The present drain in the N of the town made on what was formerly the Town Moat which has already been completed up as far as The Bear Inn be carried on to opposite the malthouse so that advantage may be taken of obtaining the refuse water from the malthouse and brewhouse for flushing the drain

27.12.1855

Mr John Thomas of the Bear Inn, innkeeper and auctioneer, appointed treasurer of the corporation (son of Mr Thomas Thomas of Wallace, farmer)

3.4.1862

The old drain betw the Horse and Groom garden and the corporation property to the west be considered as belonging to the H & G, Mr Edward Gwyn the owner of the H & G

Rents:

Thomas Thomas, Sgt of Police	£5pa	
William Roberts, tinman	£5	
Eliza Davies	£5	
Thomas Thomas, labourer	£5	
Edward Grant, do	£5	
Thomas John, butcher	£1.10s	
George Langley, post carrier	£6.10s	
Mrs Howe, weaver	£4	(24.4.62: used by her as a weavers work shop, £3.10s; George Langleys adjoined)

8.1.1863

‘That a donation of 5gns be granted to ‘Davis’s Reading Room and Library’ if the same should be established in the town, upon the understanding that such donation be applied in aid of ten ½ guinea subscriptions (full subscription being 1 guinea)

1869, 12 March Deception case – couple pretending their child had cancer and wanted funds for her to go to Brompton Hospital. Apprehended at Nash Manor. Had gone from Cowbridge to the residence of Mrs Entwisle in Llanblethian. The two prisoners lodged in the Limes lodging house.

The witness described himself as a servant to Captain Thomas of Llanblethian. He had seen them first there (at Captain Thomas’s), then at Marlborough. ‘I saw her meet Mrs Entwisle

and Mrs Royds'; 'I saw the ladies go into the house at Marlborough'; 'I next saw the man standing by the Nash smith's forge'.
Central Glamorgan Gazette

1880, 23rd January Cowbridge Police Court – William Lewis, mason, summoned by Edward Roberts for damage done to his door. He had heard tremendous kicking at 9.30 pm and the door was split., the lock broken. Llewellyn Roberts, brother of Edward, was called, but the court dismissed the charge.

William Lewis, who appeared in court with head bandaged, charged Charles Roberts with assaulting him. Said he was going home on the night in question when he saw the defendant on the road near his father's house. William Lewis said 'Goodnight', but defendant did not answer. Willm Lewis said 'If Edward Roberts has anything to say to me, say it to myself and not to my little girl'. Saw defendant with something like a bill-hook running after him, and struck him. He sat down on the stile to stop the blood. Saw Edward Roberts on his door after this, and Edward Roberts said 'Have you had enough?' William Lewis called out for help. He went home with Isaac Thomas, and a doctor and policeman were sent for. He'd had a hat on when struck, but this had fallen off. He was not the worse for drink.

He admitted he had drunk a few 'dampers' but had been at work to within an hour of starting home. Was sure it was the defendant who had struck him. Mr ET Davies, surgeon, certified the wound was deep but clean. Edward Roberts had witnesses to prove he had been at the Commercial Inn (and not able to inflict the wound). Mr H Davies, landlord, stated Charles Roberts and James Kitt were at his house before 9.30 pm. Stopped there till closing time. Roberts's father, who came for him, said he'd had a quarrel with William Lewis and saw him fall down, but then said he could not swear to half an hour either way.

Other witnesses were Annie Thomas of the Druids Inn – said Roberts & Kitt were in her house about 10 past nine. Left 20 mins afterwards in direction of the Commercial. Case dismissed.

Cowbridge Police Court 1880, 12th November

Charged with being drunk and disorderly : James Knapp, Henry Francis, Charles Whitby and Thomas Whapham, all of Cowbridge.

Thomas Davis charged with allowing cattle to stray on the highway.

Watered down alcohol sold : Isaac Williams, of the Holly Bush, charged. His wife had sold half a pint of rum to Superintendent Thomas, later analysed in Cardiff and found to be 46 degrees under proof. David Williams of the Royal Oak also charged with similar offence – defendant ill and unable to attend, but was represented by his nephew Mr Edward John. Half a pint of gin analysed was 12 degrees below the standard. Mr Edward John said he could not see why a little house like that should be picked out in preference to larger houses. Not very much alcohol sold from the premises.

Libel case : Mr Lewis Jenkins brewer suing Mr William James carpenter for writing and publishing a defamatory libel. Attempt to settle the case amicably had proved unsuccessful. 'Glorious news! No more pills or physic! A large consignment of Jupiter's Nectar just received ex the Old Greyhound, now lying in Llanmihangel Docks. After being subjected to the power of steam, the above Nectar produces a delicious beverage, a ? mild aperient. For particulars and prospectus, apply the Jupiter's Nectar Company, Cowbridge'.

Many details as to why this was found to be offensive – outcome was the matter was dropped.
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BRIDGEND CHRONICLE

1857 Oct 17: Petty Sessions, Thurs 8 Oct, before Birt Jenner:

Thomas Harry, a respectable farmer's son, fined 40s for stealing apples from Ash Hall

Thomas Thomas of Tynycaeu charged with being drunk in charge of a wagon and horses (witnesses Matthew Williams, keeper of East Gate, William Williams, blacksmith; defendant's master was Lewis Jenkins

Licence of Pelican Inn transferred to John Morris

Nov 21: Petty Sessions, Nov 17:

Frederick Ginnett, son of circus proprietor of same name, charged with not playing toll at East Gate. His hotel bill had exceeded his expectations, so the person in charge of the establishment (circus?) hadn't enough left to pay the bill. No intention of defrauding tollkeeper. Magistrates believed him – had to pay the toll of 6/1½d and costs of 9/9d

1886, 25th October Several further prosecutions at Cowbridge against persons involved in pillaging of the ship Ben-y-Gloe on the Nash Rocks.

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