

TOTLEY INDEPENDENT

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BRICK - A - BRAC

STILL KNOWN SIMPLY as "The Brickworks" (full title - Moor Edge Silica Brickworks), the Dyson Refractories building stands in near colonial style, almost as an outpost of a Totley Empire.

It has, for a long time, been a local employer and gives Totley its only industrial face, providing a contrast to its rural setting.

Totley Brickyard was opened in 1876 by Chadwick and Barker, it was later worked by Mr. Phillips of Mickley Pit and in 1893 Hodges and Batley of Burton on Trent made red bricks there, for lining Totley Tunnel.

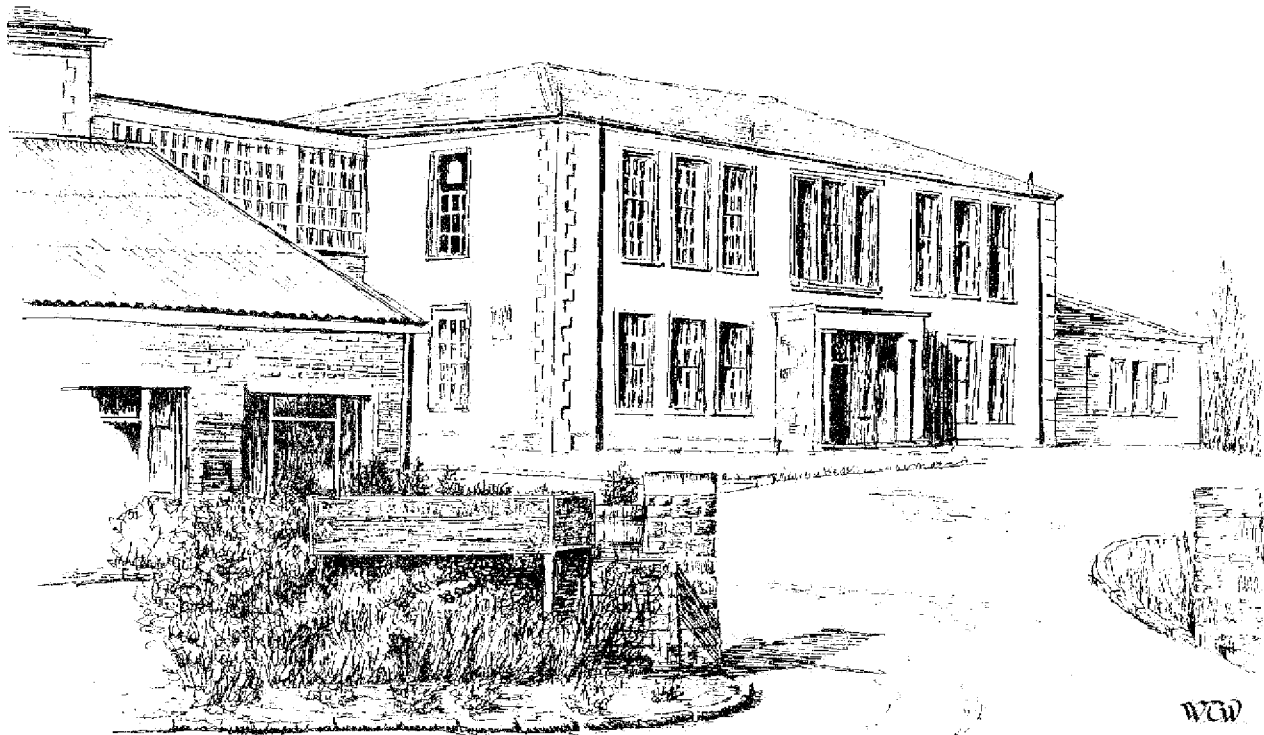
Red house bricks, bearing the imprint "Totley", are still to be found in the district, one was given to the magazine last year, having been found on the Rifle Range, we also have another local one bearing the name "20 well".

Between 1870 and 1914 there were some 57 brickyards in Sheffield and district. Most of their products being used within 2 or 3 miles of the kiln.

Pickford Holland and Co., bought the works in 1900, extending them in 1917.

Bricks had been made in the area before 1876. Behind the present building were remains of an 1860 brickworks, where a horse was harnessed to a pole, which went through a large gritstone, which in turn crushed the fire clay.

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ITEMS FOR OCTOBER ISSUE. AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE PLEASE.

BRICKWORKS

300 yards north of todays
works "Brick Jack" made bricks
and lived there in a little
cabin. The kiln was worked
before 1836 by a Mr. Barton,
who carted fire clay to
Sheffield.

Large clay pits were dug in
the field behind the yard and
a tunnel led under the moor to
the quarry, where the fire clay
was obtained.

Joe Marshall, whose white-washed
cottage next to the old Fleur De
Lys was featured on the cover of
issue number 27, worked at the
brickyard mine, which closed
before the second world war. He
contracted pneumoconiosis and was
forced to retire. Coal and
Gannister were also mined there.

Jo's parents lived in one of
six houses, long since pulled
down, near the mine. His father,
a well known Sheffield rambler,
worked at the brick works when
it was owned by Chadwick and
Barker.

DINNER DANCE

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Tickets will be available
from all members of the
Committee and will also be
on sale from the Ticket
Table in Totley Library
between 2 - 4pm. on the
following dates, Saturday
2nd. October and Saturday
9th. October.

Ticket price is **£6. 25**

GUILD

The Committee of Dore and Totley
Guild would like to thank all
the residents of Totley who
supported our Coffee Morning at
Heatherfield Conservative Club
on Thursday, August 19th.
To all who gave cakes, bric-a-
brac, raffle prizes etc., our
very grateful thanks.
Our efforts, with your help,
raised the sum of £179.32.
Thank you all.

memorial

AT THE LAST T.R.A. Committee
Meeting, after giving careful
consideration to the Estate
Surveyor's Departments two
schemes, for incorporating
a plaque into the rear wall
of the Totley War Memorial,
to accept the list of victims
in the Second World War, it
was decided that the least
costly of the two arrangements
was the most acceptable.
The estimated cost of this
work is £775. The Committee
decided that the Association
would be willing to subscribe
£200 towards the cost.
It was thought that there
might also be members of the
local community who would wish to
give a personal donation,
Towards the cost.

Anyone wishing to do so
should contact the T.R.A.
Treasurer, John Perkinson,
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PEACE

THIS MONTHS DRAW
BILL CARTER

MEMORIES

LAST MAY, I visited Totley, having left in 1930, naturally it has changed quite a lot - no longer a village, but a small town. However, I visited my old school, which has also altered.

How well I remember Miss Freda Foulstone giving me the cane one morning, and that same afternoon I was kept away from school, because my hand was swollen - (partly chilblains) and next day was made to stay in and learn John Keats "To Autumn", you know "Season of mists & mellow fruitfulness etc", but it instilled in me a love of poetry. I wonder if Miss Foulstone still lives in Totley? She was one of the favourite teachers we had.

I also bought the Totley Independent at Totley Rise, I enjoyed it, but didn't recognise any of the names.

And what have you done at the bottom of Mickley Lane? "Shepley Spiffins" why? I mean the name.

Pearsons Farm I see is now St. Georges Farm, (how often I have trotted up there for eggs).

Mr. Gladhills fields where highland cattle used to be are now full of houses. Glover or is it Grove Road is now adopted it was just a cart track, and oh, such a lot of alterations, but I suppose it had to be, my little bit of Mickley Lane isn't altered much though.

The field where we used to hold the Fetes opposite the Grange too has changed, and I remember going to the opening of the Recreation Ground. Such a lot of things I remember, but I mustn't bore you, so will stop.

Florence Barlow S.S. 82.
6 The Gurdle
Longcadow
Stevenage, Herts.



DORE & TOTLEY PEACE ACTION GROUP

THIS GROUP meets at Abbeydale Hall on the second Friday in each month at 7.30 pm. Do join us if you have a concern for peace.

The meeting on September 10th had Patrick Mitchell speaking about the Peace Tax Campaign. Advance notice for your diary.

On November 19th at 8pm., Mgr. Bruce Kent (General Secretary of C.N.D.) will speak at King Fogbert Upper School. For further information please contact Richard Hibbard, Secretary of Dore and Totley Peace Action Group. Tel. 320533.

young mums

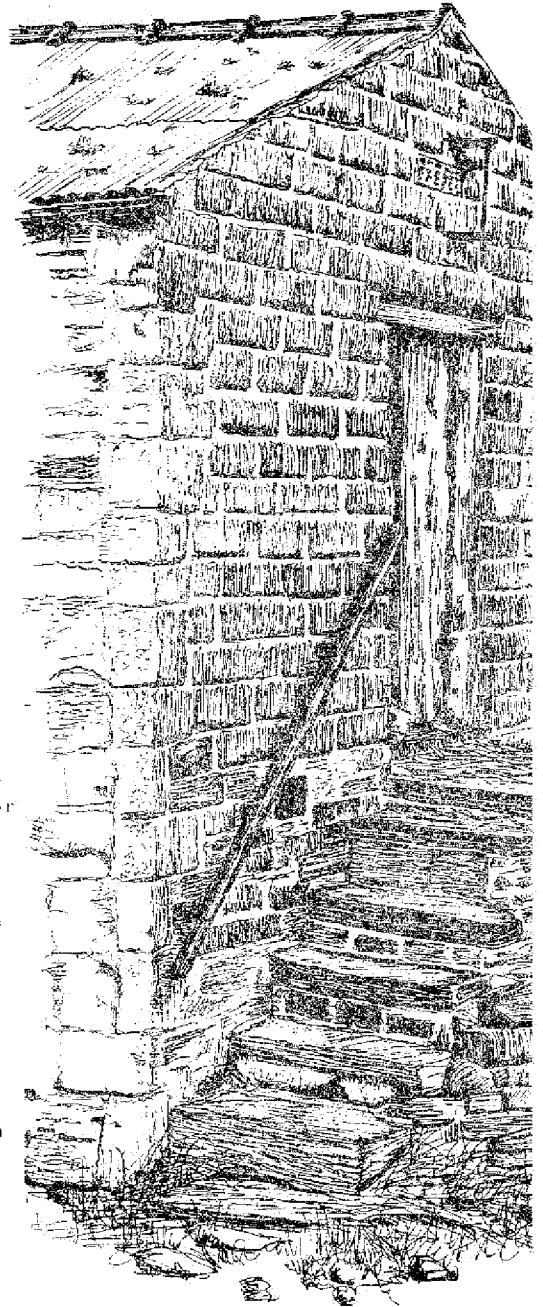
All mothers with children, from birth to school age, are welcome to join us in All Saints Church Hall at 10.15am. each Wednesday morning during term time. (Croche available for the children).

There will be a speaker/special event on the first Wednesday of each month and those planned for the coming term are:-

- Sept. 8th - Childrens Hospital Pharmacist, Poisoning in Children.
- Oct. 5th - Photographer to take childrens photographs.
- Nov. 3rd - Half-term.
- Dec. 1st - Liz McKenzie, Child Development.
- Dec. 22nd - Christmas Party.

Also on the evening of Monday 25th October at 8pm there will be a flower Sale in the Church Hall, to which everyone is welcome. If you would like to join us please come along on Wednesday mornings or phone our Chairman, Anna Griffith on 366353.

There is a subscription fee of £1 a year, due in September, and 25p per week for refreshments.



SCOUT NEWS

215th SHFFIELD (1st Totley Scout Group)

Campy's "Bank View" Farm on the Moss Road side



Totley Scout Group are set to raise a record amount of money, to pay for their new Headquarters.

One way of raising funds for this is their newly formed lottery.

Notices have already been distributed throughout Totley and the initial response has been "encouraging".

Still more people are needed to join and with prizes such as Holidays in Paris, Video Recorders and Colour Televisions, it's not to be missed - and it's all for a good cause.

Prize winners will be announced in Totley Independent and will be drawn at the rate of at least one good prize every month.

If you would like to join and don't yet have a form, please contact Roy Whitehouse, 65, Sunnyvale Road, Tel. 366393 or David Collins, 100, Sunnyvale Road, Tel. 368785.

If you've filled in a form and have not been contacted yet - don't worry, you will be!

JUMBLE SALE AND AUCTION

Your unwanted items are required for the Jumble Sale and Auction which will take place on Sat. 18th September, All Saints Church Hall at 2pm.

Anything considered - clothing, shoes, books, electrical, furniture etc., - collection can be arranged by contacting the following :-
Roger Hart, 36, Totley Brook Rd. Tel. 367034. David Collins, 100, Sunnyvale Rd. Tel. 368785. Edward Cann, 39, The Grove, Tel. 366095.

Your help is very much appreciated.

P.S. Do start saving your newspapers - details to follow.

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JUMBLE SALE

St. John's Scouts and Guides are holding a Jumble Sale at St. John's Church Hall, Abbeydale Rd. South on Sat. 18th September at 11 am.

HELP!

ARE YOU on your own, or a married couple with no children living at home or are you living in a 3 bed-roomed council house that you now find is too big for you.

Well how about exchanging with a young couple with 3 children who desperately NEED a 3 bedroomed house.

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There is no phone, but the couple are willing to pay any transfer charges.

If you would like to give them a chance of an exchange, please phone 366439 anytime after 4.30pm. or call at 62 West View Lane, Totley.



LIBRARY

NEXT MONTH, the latest season of Library talks begins. As usual, all the talks take place on Tuesday nights, they all begin at 8pm. in the junior library, and they're all free. Make a note of these dates :-

October 26th. Mrs. J. Wing "Ecuador & Peru"

November 16th. Cath MacKay "Chamonix Valley & Mont Blanc"

December 7th. Brian Woodall "Crafts & Customs of the Peak District"

January 25th. Monica Nelson "Art cities of Italy"

February 15th. Bob Warburton "Coombsdale"

March 5th. John Pressley "The Pennine Way"

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OPTICIAN

DID YOU REALISE that the Optician at Totley Rise opened his practice 6 years ago? How time does fly.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. S. Fordham was taken ill in June, his condition requiring hospital treatment and surgery. He is making good progress and will most certainly be back in his practice at the beginning of September.

His father, who was holding the fort when the Independent made a visit, paid tribute to the Doctors who attend the practice and to his son's colleagues who enabled a service to be maintained, also to the patients themselves, who co-operated in a wonderful manner, in what has been a trying time, particularly in the first few weeks.

No doubt, readers will join us in wishing Mr. Fordham a speedy recovery which will allow him to continue with his much valued local service.

HONESTY

My friend, a pensioner living on the Grange, writes Mrs. Tilley of Baslow Road, paid a visit to our local garden centre. On leaving - feeling hot and weary, she placed her brand new cardigan on a boulder and sat down on it to wait for a 24 bus.

She carelessly forgot the cardigan and boarded the bus to Main Avenue. In the evening she remembered where she had left it - at the same time saying goodbye to it.

The Wednesday following - she went to town by bus, lo and behold there was the cardigan still on the stone. She quickly left the bus at the Rycroft Glen stop and retrieved it. "How nice", we both said, "to live in honest Totley" - so many people must have passed the spot during the two days.

U.N.A.

NEARLY NEW SALE

The Dove and Totley Branch of the United Nations Association is holding a Nearly New Sale and White Elephant Stall at Dove Old School on Saturday 25th September between 11am and 4pm. Collection of clothes and bric-a-brac can be arranged by telephoning 366668 after 10th September.

BRASS

TICKETS

A RARE OPPORTUNITY. Tickets are now available to see the internationally famous GRIMETHORPE COLLIERY BAND at King Fogbert Lower School Hall, Furniss Avenue on Tuesday 19th October at 7.45pm. Tickets available from Mrs. K. Taylor - 364247. Adults £2 Students and Senior Citizens £1. The price includes refreshments during the interval. The concert has been arranged by the Dove & Totley Community Arts Group.

A.G.M.

THE ANNUAL General Meeting of King Fogbert Association will be held on Tuesday 5th October. A warm welcome is extended to new parents of the school. The meeting starts at 7.30pm and is held in the Upper School dining hall. Coffee will be served after the A.G.M. at 8.45pm, prior to the election of three Parent Governors (due to the new Articles of Government) at 9.00pm.



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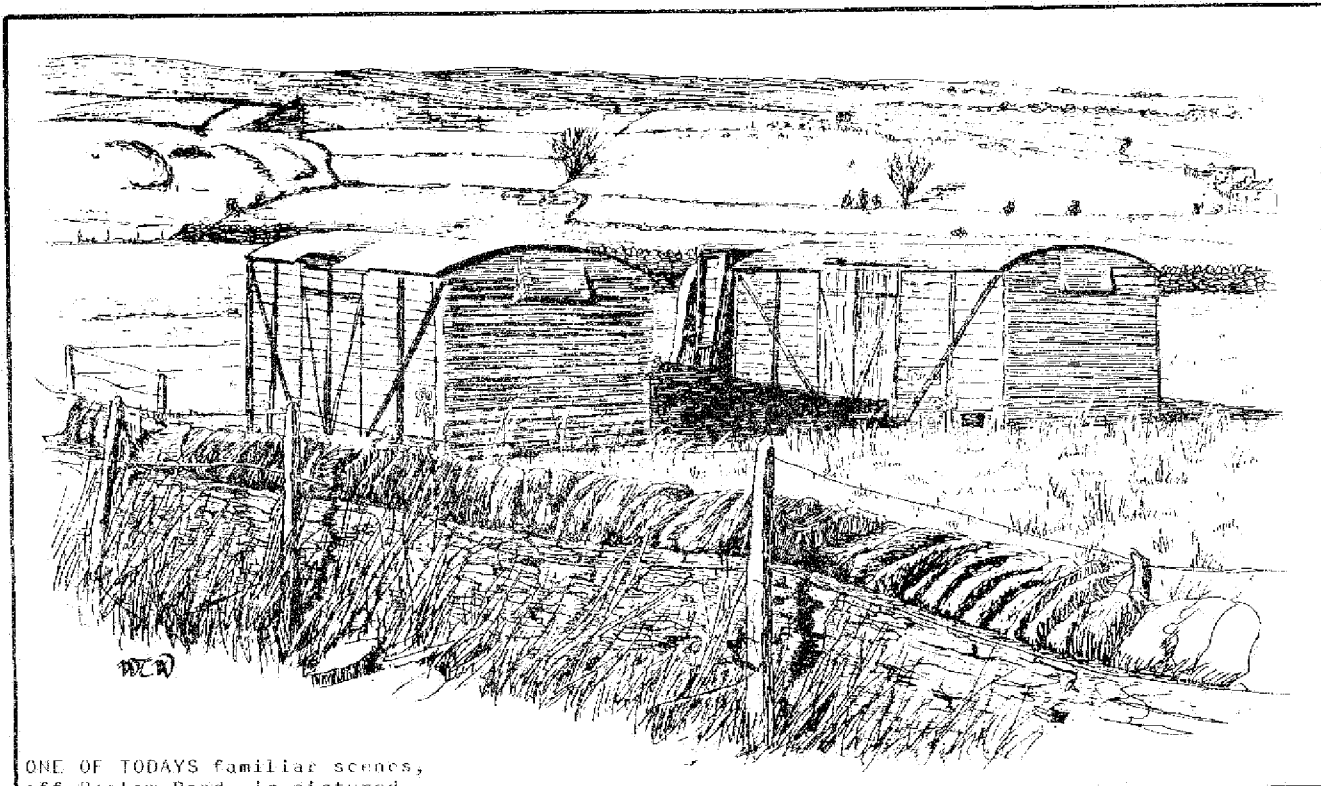
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These former railway boxes now provide shelter for horses, (not shown in the drawing). Also absent is the sound of children, who are usually to be found enjoying themselves riding.

WED. CLUB

Wednesday 22nd September.
St. John's Wednesday Club are presenting a Film Show - Waterways to explore Canada's Rideau-Trent-Severn Canal System, and Living Naturally, Barbara Mullen on the Isle of Aran.

The weigh in is between 2 - 4pm. and the teams will be competing for three trophies provided by the Muck or Bettles Club plus the Totley Trophy.

In addition it has also been decided, to stage at short notice, the Annual Competition for the local novice teams, who compete for the Totley Residents Association trophy. This will take place at 3.30pm. and local teams should register by 3.15pm.

Some invitations have been sent out but any 8 man team raised from within Totley may enter.

It was suggested that this event might take place at Totley Boats on a midweek evening, as it was not possible to include it in this year's Sports Night. However, it is felt that by accepting the invitation from Totley T.O.W. Club to include this competition in their afternoons activities, that the possibility of a gars night and the organisation will be avoided.

TOTLEY TUG !

Totley Tug of War Clubs Annual Open Competition is being held on Saturday 18th September at the rear of the Cross Seythes and it is expected that at least a dozen teams will be taking part in the four different weight classes.

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