## SEASONS GREETINGS FROM

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Totley Grove, pictured here is the large house which stands opposite the Crown, in Hillfoot Road, almost hidden from view.

Older residents remember that, at Christmas, the local child-ren used to go to "Grove Hall". Mr. Ellison, a Barrister -at-law, lived there then. He had a barrel of apples and a box of oranges. They all got an apple and orange each, and a new penny, "it was worth something then".

As well as visiting Totley Grove the children would visit and receive gifts at the other "big 'ouses." including Totley Grange and Totley Hall.

A previous occupant at Totley Grove, who we have mentioned before, was Thomas (Tommy) Youdan.

Tommy owned the Alexandra theatre, which was built on stilts over the River Don. He had previously owned the

Surrey theatre, but this was destroyed by fire in 1865. Youdan's Alexandra (affection-ately known as 'Tommy's'), became Shoffield's leading theatre until the Empire, in Charles Street, was opened in 1904.

The Alexandra closed in 1912 and Blonk Bridge was built on the site.

When Tommy lived in Totley, in 1868, Totley Grove was then known as Totley Dale.

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# <u> TOURDERER</u> MONNYBROOK

EXTRA POLICE COVER in the Totley Hall Lane area on Friday and Saturday nights is now being scaled down after a fall off in reports of assaults on students. More police were put in the area in October after Polytechnic student leaders complained of unprovoked attacks on their colleagues by a group of youths. In one incident a student had two teeth broken and on another occasion a student suffered a broken nose. Many more have been kicked and thumped and have suffered cuts and bruises. The attacks occurred when students were met in the Totley bus terminus area by the same group of around 15 youths. In response to complaints extra police were drafted in last month by Woodseats Police Station but Superintendent Barry Furness said this was now being scaled down as there had been no further incidents since. "These were minor incidents about which the students were

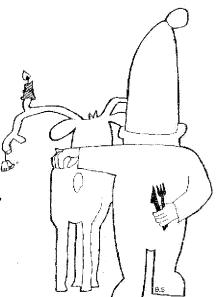
quite rightly concerned. We put in extra cover for a short time and hopefully the situat-ion has been resolved." The Students Union are hopeful that, if the lads involved are local, parents will be able to deter any further trouble.

The lottley-based canine rescue centro is appealing for donations to serve up a Christmas "Dogs Dinner". Beef and two veg will be an the Yuletide menu for the canine residents of Monnybrook larm, if the appeal is successful. The Farm was opened in October as the National Camine Defence League's northern rescue centre and staff are hoping to serve their clients with a Christmas treat. They will get beef from the abattoir, baked potatoes and sprouts. It may be surprising that dogs eat sprouts but they seem to love them mashed up. Besides greens are good for them. "If possible we would like people to make small donations but if not they could always let us have some Boneos, or Choccy-drops to give the dogs a treat - anything that makes Christmas a better time for them". The centre has just taken over the care of TINA, a blind cross-alsation. Margaret Morrison, the Manageress, currently considering building a special pen. "She is likely to be with us for some time so we want to build her a kennel and exercise run of her own so she can learn to live on her own patch".

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## whisperer...

.. Filming took place in and around Totley Bents during November. Scenes were shot for a new comedy series "Feelings" written by Carla Lane and featuring Susan Hampshire and Keith Barron....Local children and others took part in a thr three day fun event, under the leadership of Rev. John Inchley, during half-term at All Saints School..... The Autumn Fayne at Green Oak View on 18th November raised £400 and proceeds will be used for the benefit of residents during the festive season and in the future..... ... What does the future hold for the Cross Scythes ? -Whitbreads seem unable or unwilling to comment......



IT LOOKS AS THOUGH ITS GOING TO BE A REAL DEER CHRISTMAS

#### ALL CHANGE

Headteacher Mr. Graham Hukin leaves Totley County School at the end of the term, when he moves to Ecclesall Church of England Junior School.

As reported last month, Deputy Head Mr. Geoff Gillard will also be leaving. The new Head will be Mr. K. Firth who was previously Deputy Head at Hemsworth Junior School.

Also taking up his position in the new term will be Mr. Michael Tempan, new Deputy Head at Totley All Saints School.



### \*-FROLIC -\*

THE PROCEEDS from the traditational "Totley Frolic" held at Totley College in June will be donated to the Day Care Centre at Broomgrove Road. The Polytechnic has a policy to altract mature students and the Day Care Centre where children under school age are looked after during the day, is one of the services provided to enable student and staff parents to attend lectures and use the libraries. During school half term holidays students run a playscheme at Totley College for the school age children belonging to students and staff. This years first playscheme (31 Oct -4 Nov) was very successful, with an average of thirty children attending a busy wock of events, such as trips to the swimming baths, to a farm, to the Blue John Mines; and many more, all culminating in a mini bonfire with sparklers on 4th November.

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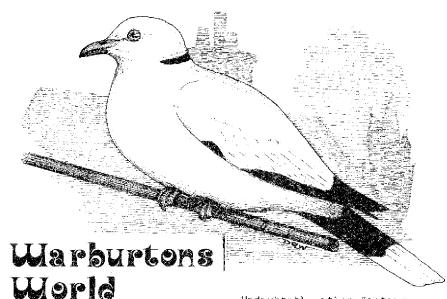
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I'VE BEEN READING recently details of the animals and plants which are on the verge of extinction from our planet. It made very depressing reading indeed, It all seemed so negative, with very few species actually thriving and on the increase. It is most heartening therefore to be able to recount a success story, and one which features one of our local birds as its principal.

the bird in the drawing the Collared Dove, must be rated as the most successful bird in Britain at the moment. It is very familiar in Totley, with its gentle cooing and warm catmeal colouring. It obviously favours the more affluent districts, where the gardens are bigger and contain large trees, and whoc can blame it?

It was first recorded as breeding in Britain in 1955. in Norfolk, having spread from the near East earlier this century. Its favourite habitat now is large mature suburban gardens, of which we have plenty in southern Sheffield. It seems on the cards that within a few years it will have colonised almost all of the suitable human settlements within the British Isles. The meteoric rise in its numbers and the corresponding spread throughout most of Europe must be due in no small part to the increasing affluence of the human population.

Undoubtably other factors have influenced it, most of which we are, as usual, totally unaware.

Several other birds have taken to humans in a big way, just think of swifts, swallows, house martins, starlings and house spacrows. They nest almost exclusively in and around our houses - it makes you wonder what they did in the days of mud huts ! Conversely, one bird is suffering a drastic drop in numbers because of our changing building styles - the Barn Owl. The popularity of metal structure on our farms, and the destruction of old stone-built barns and outhouses has resulted in a huge reduction in the numbers of our most appealing predatory bird. Changing animals quite a bit, the Hedgehog is rapidly becoming a confirmed suburbanite too. It enjoys the shrubb-eries of our gardens far more than the modern wide open spaces of many modern farms. Another factor though is the fact that people actually like Hedgehogs, and will go out of their way to ensure that they are fed and protected, in spite of the accompanying troups of fleas which they inevitably carry. Another local celebrity was spotted the other day, by my wife - 'our' local Heron is doing his winter rounds again down by Totley Brook, and accompanied by a friend of the same species. Could we have a romance on our hands ?



DON'T FORGET that the local Totley Scout Group is participating in the city wide Christmas Card Delivery Service (in conjunction with Woodseats Venture Unit). Please note that for only l Op you can have your Christmas cards (no enclosures or parcels can be accepted) delivered in Shoffield and surrounding areas. Cards must bear the special stamps and be handed in or posted at any of the following addresses:-SHOPS

Avenue Stores, Totley Pharmacy, Janet Ryalls, Peter Casson.

HOUSES.

Stokes, 3 Aldam Way Vitty, 118 Green Oak Road Needham, 71 Marstone Crescent Sheoherd, 16 Milldale Road Wright, 66 Rowan Tree Dell Warrender, 2 Sunnyvale Avenue Whitehouse, 65 Sunnyvale Road Carter, 4 The Crescent Collins, 8 The Green Hart. 36 Totley Brook Road Wade, 27 Green Oak Avenue

Stamps can be bought from the above addresses.

Last day for posting is December 15th (Thursday) 7pm. DO NOT USE GPO BOXES.

10% of the proceeds will be donated to Northern General Hospital Special Care Baby Unit and The Royal Shoffield Institution for the Blind.

#### WEDDING

TOTLEY JOURNALIST, Jedemy Watson and Wendy McMahon, a nurse at Sheffield's Childrens Hospital, were married last month.

The couple, who will live in Bradway, were married at Eastrington Parish Church, near Howden. Jeremy, a native of Totley, is the Medical Correspondent on The Star.

Live músic was provided at. their evening wedding party by the Jazz Preservation Society, the band who are resident at the Cricket Inn on Friday nights. Our congratulations to Jeremy and Wendy and all best wishes for the future.

# **CONGERTS**

COUNTY SCHOOL THE THE - "Bo ( on Triday" Friday 2th December at 2.15pm.

BUILDES - "The Shepherds" Story" on Rednesday and thorsday, 14th and 15th Occember at 7,30pm.

#### TOTALY ALL SATURAS SCHOOL

All Semior Citizens are invited to a performance by the first Department of tackr Christmas Concert on Hoursday 15th Dec, 2pm in the school ball. Admission is free, refreshments provided.

Christmas Carol Service thersday 22nd December. 9.15am in letter All Smines Church, rollowed by coffee and minee ples, for parents in school,

#### CHRISTMAS CONCLE

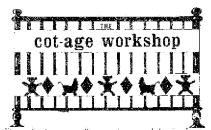


The Parent Friends Association of Totley County School are holding a Christmas Coffee Morning on 10th December 10-12 moon. There will be a raffle, lickets how on sale 5p each and Eather Christmas will be there.

Cayre & Coffee Morning took place at the Green Cak Centre

on 4th Movember, As it was equally as successful as (is two predocessors it seems (ikely that this function will assume a permanent place in the calendar of Totley events.

Largely as a result of the generosity of members, it was again possible to offer a good range of prizes in the draw. The first prize, a well-appoin-Led Christmas bamper, went to Mes. Amnie Naden, while Mrs. Broomhead won a handsome Christmas cake, the second prize. Other prize winners were Mesilanes Askham, Lord, Hoyland & Twigg, and Hr. Clark, who between them word a bottle of sherry, a parcel of grocerics, a set of coffee cups, and boxes of chocolates & toffees. This event gives a major boost to the club's finances, and it was encouraging to see what a large proportion of the membership (including some who could have pleaded enfitness) selflessly contributed to this execcise in self-help.



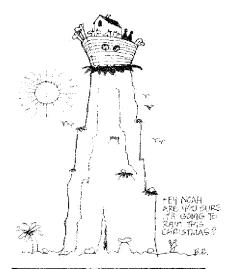
The Cottage Workshop which is a part of Volserve Community Programme Agency situated at 14-15 West Bar Green would be pleased to collect any unwanted baby item(s) from your home, regardless of condition. We have a small team of workers who are employed to renovate them. These items will then be made available to families in need. The Cot-age Workshop is a nonprofit making project.

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## t december events

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Christmas Disco for under 198; Communal Bullding, Totley College - 25p. Tel:368721 or 738934 for information or see local posters. Stb Thur.

Totley Evng Gaild Christmas Party. 7,30. 9 65 Fred.

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Mon. 1.25th

Totley Scouts. Carols and Coffee All Saints Ch. Hall 1.3th Tores.

Polytechnic Carol Service, Sheffield Cathedral. 15th Thur.

Hoxing Day. Christmas Pudding Handicap - Totley 2.666 Mein. Athletic Club. Crown moon to Cricket lpm.

OUR DIARY only gives a small indication of activities in lotley throughout the festive season. Lack of time has prevented publication of all the events in local schools, pubs, churches

and by the many Imeal associations. The magazine will be back in February as usual. Please ensure all items for printing are received by Saturday 21st January.

#### YAKURAC

Public Enquiry, Town Half, Land at Bradway: Mr. Rod Cent, Unemployment - The International Dimension, 32 Stonecroft Road, Totley Rise, Spm. Thur. 5th 16th Mon.

(United Nations Association)

Library Talk. Spm. Martin Clive, the librarian is charge of the Local Studies Dept., in Surrey Street will tell us about "Transport in Old Sheffield", 24th lue.

taking us from about 1750 up to the Great War.

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barn raising

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The music, in fact, could only
be stopped for the lovely
fish and chip supper. In all
£30 was raised.
This was followed by the
Christmas Fayre on December
3rd, which hopefully was also
a financial success.



## DITCO

THE STUDENTS at Totley College are holding a Christmas Disco for Under 185 on Thursday 8th December, 1983 from 7.30pm. to 10.30pm. in the Communal Building.

Anyone from Totley and Dore who is younger than 18 will be very welcome and soft drinks and crisps will be available. The entrance fee is only 25p.

#### seasonal

"THE WINTERS TALL" is being presented in the Drama Studio, Highfield, at Totley College from Monday 12th to Wednesday 14th December. For further information ring 368113.

### PARTOMIME

"GACK & THE BEANSTALK" is the panto being presented at Totley ALL Saints School by the Parent Teachers Association during February 1984.
For tickets please ring Mr. & Mrs. 3. Bailey - 351085 (reduced rates for parties). Performance dates are:- Feb. 10th,11th,14th,15th,16th, 17th and 18th with matinees on both Saturdays 11th and 18th.

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Tickets for the Totley Senior Citizens Christmas Party, price 50p each, are on sale at both our local Post Offices. The event takes place on Saturday, 10th December - between 4 to 10pm. The organisation is a joint effort between Totley Residents Assoc., and staff and students at Totley College, where the party is being held.

#### PUD RUN

CHRISTMAS PUDDING HANDICAP organised by Totley Athiclic Club. Boxing Day - start noon from The Crown car park. Then via Dure Moor, Hathersage Road, hearly to Fox House, along the Highing Mile and then back along the road through Owler Bar and via The Crown to finish at the Crioket

During the run the big room at the Cricket will be been to supporters and families for earol singing and drinks. Full details will be on the notice boards at The Crown and the Cricket.

Why not come along and watch ! finish expected about lpm.

Please note the course has been shortened by popular request of the runners. Mainly for club runners but quests invited too. Every competitor gets a Christmas Pudding.

### POETS CORNER

"THE CHRISTMAS STORY"

Almost 2,000 years ago A baby boy was born And people came from miles around That first cold Christmas morn.

His destiny was set to bring Peace, joy and love to earth How could we know the magnitude Of such a humble birth?

Now in the 20th century When Christmas time is here We think of Mary's boy child And the message is still clear.

Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh were given To celebrate his birth But the best gift we could give to him Would be true peace on earth.

> Joy Depledge 55 The Grove Totley



by Edwin Pecock

WE HAVE HAD what I call a proper! Autumn this year, with long dry periods, warm Sunny days and frosty moonlight nights, causing the leaves to slowly turn colour and eventually drift down to the ground. This has produced very picturesque scenes during the last few weeks and in some measure has made up for the very 'soggy' cold weather in the Spring. This autumn weather has been of benefit to arable and Iivestock farmers alike, a record acreage of autumn sown cereals have been sown in very good conditions, these crops are now looking very healthy and a record harvest next year looks possible. Livestock that would normally be brought into the farm buildings and fed on hay etc, during October, are still out and feeding on grass at the end of November.

The potato harvest was finished some time ago, with yields approximately 3 tonnes per acre down on average. The sugar beet is progressing well and seems likely to produce, would you believe it, 1-1 million tonnes of sugar, or approx 45 lbs for everyone in the country! Sounds a lot but have you ever worked out how much you buy during the year, or consume in the form of sweets, beer etc?

At lottey Hall farm things are now slowing down: all our wheat is planted, the potatoes are horvested, the muck heap has been spread on next years potato ground and ploughed in. The hedges have been tribmed, the ditches cleared out, the grable machinery has been cleaned, sprayed with diesel, to prevent it rusting and put under cover for the winter.

The ewes have all been tupped, hence the yellow and green marks on their backsides, and the first ones are due to lamb

at the beginning of February. This may make it sound as if we have nothing to do now, for a couple of months, this however is not the case, as there are approx 60 tonnes of rotatoes to sort and bag, buildings to repair and adapt. and pigs and sheep to feed. If I were to tell you that I am writing this article at 2.00am, seated on a bale of straw in a farrowing house. you probably would assume that I had fallen out with my wife and been kicked out of the house, or just taken leave of my senses. However, neither is the case (I think?!). Having finished cutting up

Having finished cutting up 3 Jambs and a pig at 12.30am. I decided to have a look at a sow that was due to farrow before I went to bed, and sure chough she had just had the first piglet, was getting agitated and unsettled and needed a bit of supervision. The result? A nightshift role as writer and midwife combined, plus a happy sow with 10 piglets.

In the event of a snowfall, could I ask you not to use the fields on Mickley lane which are planted with cereals, as sledge or toboggan runs, as this will seriously damage the crops.

### GREEN BELT

HERITAGE AT RISK

A PUBLIC INDUIRY is to be held in the Town Hali on Thursday, 5th January, 1984 into an application to build on Green Belt Land between Oxclose Avenue, Bradway and the old Totley Lane. This attractive open space (one of the few remaining in Bradway) car be seen from Tobley, Dore and Owler Bar, providing beautiful views enjoyed by the many people who walk there. Although is part of the Green Belt and the Council opposes the building application, a protest by and help from residents is needed to conserve this past of our heritage. Please send a letter of protest to the Bradway Action Committee, 16 or 20 Oxclose Avenue, Bradway, Shefficid 17. Attend the Enquiry (If you can) and ring 366751 or 366134 if you are able to help.

## T.O.A.D.S.

FARNEST ENDIAVOURS

ALTHOUGH Oscar Wilde wrote "The Importance of Being Larnest" at the end of the last century, its sparklingly witty dialogue makes it an ageless, delightful play. Its popularity was confirmed by T.O.A.D.S. who sold out at two of their recent performances. Richard Nauen's production never flagged as the two elegant young ladies each sought to find their true love by the name of Farnest. Excellent movement and positioning ensured the maximum amount of action in a play containing many long specches, which could easily become very static. On the other hand the overall pace of the play would have allowed longer affronted silences and withering stares which were consistently underplayed. The acting honours must go to the two young couples, played by Katic Lord, Suzic Fleetwood, Michael Jackson and Richard Sawtell. Their enthusiastic and accurate portrayal of their aristocratic characters showed. cither considerable acting ability or a very upper class ancestry. They were ably supported by the remainder of the cast, especially by Kate Walker whose Lady Bracknell sailed through

Jeff Bagnall had designed an ingenious set which effectively portrayed two different interiors and a garden with a minimum of alteration. The garden version was particularly clever and received spontaneous applause, when it was revealed at the beginning of the second act. Altogether a bright, colourful and thoroughly memorable production. A few new faces were seen both on and off stage by T.O.A.D.S. will always be pleased to welcome new members at their Tuesday evening meetings in St. Dönn's Hali.

the play as stately as a fully

rigged galleon.

#### enrol/

A CAROLS AND COFFLE evening is being given by Totley Scouts on Tuesday, 13th December at 7.30pm. in All Saints Church Hall.

## BLACKAMOOR

A CONTROVERSIAL Sheffield City Council decision to allow sheep grazing on moors near Fotley may be reversed following a report from an ecological consultant.

The Council caused a public outcry earlier this year when it fenced off Blacka Moor to allow grazing in a bid to protect vegetation and reduce fire risks.

The move sparked off a 900 - signature petition from residents and conservationists who claimed the land should remain open.

Now ecological consultant, Penny Anderson, who was hired to investigate management problems on the moor, is recommending that grazing should be stopped when the present one year licence

expires. Conservationists claim her report, which has yet to be made public is vindication of their battle.

The Sheffield branch of the Council for the Protection of Rural England claims the report advises the council to consider other options for preserving

the moor. "We are delighted with the conclusions and we are confident that the city council will follow the recommendations at the earliest opportunity", said technical adviser, Lt Col Gerald Haythornthwaite. The report is believed to suggest that grazing has a damaging effect on woodlands, heather and rare plants and is not the best method of reducing fire hazards. It recommends that grazing should be stopped on all the moor except for Strawberry Lea

John Bauer of the Recreation Department, said grazing was only one of a number of options considered in the report.

"The report is concerned with a whole range of management problems on the moor and nothing will be decided until all interested parties have been given the chance to comment on its findings", he

A copy of the report has been received by Totley Residents Association. Replies and comments from both T.R.A. and Totley and District Environment Society will be published in the next issue.

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## WELL well

FOR YEARS a well stood in Totley Hall Lane, just below the Fleur De Lys, until it was removed as part of the Tarmac Homes development scheme.

The re-siting of the well created a scries of correspondence between Tarmac and local interested parties.

The result is that the well has been situated on Plot 42 on Overcroft Rise at the top of Stocks Green Drive.

Mr. David Shaw, owner of this plot (and the house that stands on it!) has accepted responsibility for maintaining the well.

He told the Independent that it has been rebuilt using the original stones at the front

He told the independent that it has been rebuilt using the original stones at the front and along the top. Only a grate along the front is now required to fully restore it. So (dare we say it) all's well that ends well !!

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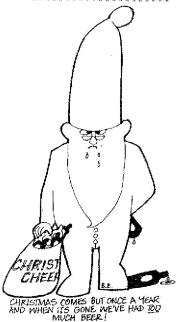
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### STAINED STONES

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This building was originally St. John's Church Rooms and built by Ebenezer Hall (of Abbeydale Hall) in 1893 (16 years after St. John's Church), the fine stone work and stained glass windows maintaining the style of the church.

This hall was used as a hospital during the 1914-18 war (as was the large building standing across the road from it, now the Dore Masonic Hall but originally an asylum erected by the Sheffield and Rotherham Association of Licensed Victuallers). However, as the other events of the church became more popular, a larger building, with more facilities was required and this is the modern hall that exists today, on the other side of the church. The old church hall seems to

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#### MONNYBROOK COTTAGES

THE LAST MONTH has seen the disappearance of the above cottages. First reduced to a free-standing front wall then completely raised to the ground. Rebuilding is now well underway, locals seem to have been amazed (and bewildered) at the rise and fall of this familiar piece of Totley Bents.

THE COTTAGES are shown above as they were about 20 years ago. The area around here is known as Monnybrook and is just below the Rifle Range. The earliest entry I have found, which refers to this place name is in the 1841 census, which refers to it as 'Manybrooks' and gives: Hiram Green 40, Scythe Grinder Anne Green 30 Edward Green 15 James Green 14 William Green 12

Alfred Green 30, Labourer Sarah Green 55

Edward Newbould 40, Farmer Anne Newbould 40

Sarah Jackson 14 Jane Jackson 14

Abraham Fllioæt 60, Mason Mary Flliott 50 Leta Illiott 10 John Frankish 4

All but the Jacksons were born in Totley. It was also called Manybrooks in the County of Derby Directory 1846. The man with perhaps the greatest knowledge of Totley, G.H.B. Ward, noted in the 1923/24 Clarion Ramblers Handbook that "Monnybrook"is dialect for Manybrook". It is worth noting that a number of brooks disappeared when the Totley Tunnel was built, as it tended to act as a huge drain. Old maps show Brown Edge Dike, Little Well Springs, Great Well Springs, Leenly Sick and at least four other brooks running into the main stream at Monnybrook, Further down the stream is called Needhams Dike as it rushes by the side of Penny Lane. In 1839 the Workhouse for Totley stood on the site of the present kennels. B. E.

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