

EXAMPLES of PARISH RELIEF

To redeem Alice BURTONS dress from the Pawnbroker 5/- letter 7d	5s 7d
PARKER's of Ribblehead	
Ale and meat a funeral	11s 1d
Coffin and crape	£1 6s 10d

1832

Paid for Attendance for Joseph BENTHAMs wife in hard labour	10s 6d
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- Joseph did not live in Horton but, having been born in the parish, qualified for relief.

CHARITIES

PRESTON POORS LAND

"Bequeathed to the poor of the parish of Horton in Ribblesdale who have no parochial relief

"Richard GREEN of Austwick £100

"John ARMITSTEAD of Dubcoat £ 10

"The donor's name unknown £ 55

"The above some of £165 was laid out in land at Long Preston

"An unknown donor also left land, situate in this parish, called Poor's Inclosure"

In 1758 Richard GREEN gave £50 to add to this £165 and this was used to buy the land at Long Preston. The rent and profits were distributed to "poor house-keepers" of Horton at Christmas. Poor's Inclosure or Poor Folk's Close is at Brown Haw.

PARISH POOR RELIEF

In about 1770, following the increase of poverty and unemployment brought about by a long period of warfare, parish authorities in and around Settle acquired stocks of flax, hemp, wool, thread, linen and other stuff so that work could be given to the poor and unemployed dependent on them. Another local law was that each township must look after all persons who had been born there only - so Horton could and did evict anyone born outside the parish if they were in need of parish relief. The constable was fined if the paupers of the parish failed to wear a jacket bearing the letters HP - H for Horton, P for pauper!

A sick woman with her 12 year old son was taken from Horton back to the parish of Austwick where she was born, to be looked after by the parish there.

Young children would be placed with families to work for their keep from the age of eight or nine and the parish paid the family a fee for taking the child under an agreement called an indenture.

"An agreement made on this day, 22nd March 1823 betwixt the Township of Horton in Ribblesdale and Anthony Scot of Austwick for Ann Mitton a girl belonging to the said Township. The said Anthony Scot agrees to find her sufficient meat and clothes for the term of five years. The township to give the said Anthony Scot one pound and ten shillings as witness our hands . . . "

Ann Mitton came from Nether Lodge. Each party kept a copy of the agreement and the side of each copy had a matching wavy line - the indenture.

REDMAYNES GIFT 1826

An original sum was give by Miss Ann REDMAYNE, the interest was distributed among four poor persons of Horton on 1st March "preferring such as are understood to be kin of the donor".

In 1893 Mrs Agnes REDMAYNE aged 72 of New House had been receiving 12s a year for 10 - 12 years.

January 8th 1900

From the school log book. W E Pitts.

"Went to Settle on 11 train. Supplied James TURNER with new clothes".

March 10th 1926

"It is pleasing to note that the widow of the late W. Hunt has, through the intervention of the Messrs Pitts, been awarded a widow's pension of 10/- per week with 14/- for four children".

REDMAYNE'S GIFT . 1893 - The interest on the sum
of £24 ~~was~~ ^{was} invested, in 1847, on the death of
Mr. Thomas Moore, at Craven Savings Bank, Settle,
~~It~~ has been paid for 10-12 years to Mrs.
Agnes Redmayne of New House, Horton in Ribblesdale
being kin of the founders.

-1916

The endowments granted in the will of John ARMITSTEAD and a further sum bequeathed by Thomas HESELTINE in 1751 were re-allocated at the change of school in 1878. As £130 was awarded as a yearly retirement pension to Rev W Tomlinson it was not until 1916 that recommendations put forward in 1866 for using the funds to create an exhibition (scholarship) for pupils was implemented.

. . . . a scholarship of £30 pa tenable for 3 years at Giggleswick School and open to boys under 13 years and in attendance at one of the 3 schools in the township

A similar one under the same terms for girls tenable at Settle Secondary School was awarded at first for £20, then £30.

1918

Redmayne's Exhibition (scholarship) was extended to 3 years for boys and also for girls.