

SUMMARY OF DOCUMENT

Julia Horsfall (1856-1946) was the daughter of Robert Thompson (1811-1875), who bought the Uppermill (Cornmill) in Luddenden in 1856. This document traces Julia's inheritance back through to her father's first involvement with Upper Mill and lists the route by which Julia's executors were legally authorised to sell the buildings to Stuarts (Sowerby) Ltd.

Robert Thompson had a share in the Cornmill when it was purchased from Hartley and John Murgatroyd in 1856. The other shareholders were Robert's father George, his brother William Henry and Joseph Starkey. In 1863 Robert bought the share held by (his brother?) William Henry Thompson.

On Robert's death in 1875, his will left the mill to his Wife Hannah and after her death to their sons Arthur and George in equal share.

Hannah died in 1905, but by then, both her sons had also died, Arthur in 1899 and George in 1882.

In Arthur's will, he had named his two sisters Julia and Mary as his benefactors. George named his son Frederick William and Young Horsfall, the husband of Julia as his beneficiaries. Frederick William died before his father in 1894, the same year Young Horsfall also died. Frederick William's will left his estate to his brother Arthur, who as mentioned above died in1899.

So on the death of Hannah, all the male line had already died, so the girls got the inheritance. Julia Horsfall and Mary Thompson (Mary was married to her cousin Albert Thompson, the son of William Henry Thompson) became owners of Upper Mill in 1905.

Mary Thompson died in 1931 leaving Julia as the sole owner of the property (because, but this is not mentioned in this document, Mary's two sons were both killed in WWI). Julia died in 1946 but did not pass the mill on to her children.

The mill was sold to Stuarts (Sowerby) Ltd in 1946 for £1500, their registered office was Upper Mill Luddenden. Was this the parent company of Lindley's?

The final part of the document states that the reservoir for the mill was sold by Stuarts (Sowerby) Ltd to George and Florence Lucas in 1952. George and Florence were the owners of 76-77 High Street at the time and ran a shop from these premises.



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ABSTRACT OF THE TITLE OF MESSRS, STUAF (Sowerby) Ltd. to property situate at Luddenden in the County of York.

1906 July 13th ADMITTANCE of this date in Wakefield Court Baron of The Right Honourable Charles Alfred Worsley Earl of Yarborough and The Right Honourable Marcia Amelia Mary Countess of Yarborough his

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wife (in her own right Baroness Faconberg and Conyers) Lord and Lady of the Manor of Wakefield RECITING at a Court Baron held for the sd Manor of the 30th January 1857 Robert Thompson then of Luddenden in the Parish of Halifax in the County of York Corn Miller was duly admitted Tenant to one equal undivided moiety of and in the hrdmts and premises comprised in the Schedule thrto And at another Court Baron held for such Manor on the 27th April 1863 he was in like manner duly admitted Tenant to the remaining moiety of the sd hrdmts To Hold (as to the entirety thereof to him his heirs and assigns

AND RECITING the sd Robert Thompson by his last Will and Testament dated the 6th day of April 1874 (a copy whereof was inrolled in the Court Rolls of the sd Manor at a Court an QSL Baron held on the 15th day of October 1875) whereby after devising a specific portion of his real estate as therein mentioned he devised all his other real estate to his wife Hannah Thompson during her life if she should continue his widow And after her death or marriage again he devised all his said other real estate unto and to the use of his sons Arthur Thompson and George Thompson in equal shares as tenants in common subject to and charges as therein mentioned

AND RECITING the said Testator made and executed a Codicil to his Will which Codicil is dated the 16th April 1875 (a copy whereof was also inrolled along with the afsd Will) but which did not alter revoke or affect the thrnbfre recited devise of residuary real estate

AND RECITING the sd Testator died on the 25th June 1875 and at a Court Baron hold for the said Mannor hold on the 15th October 1875 his widow the said Hannah Thompson was duly admitted Tenant to all other the Testator's Copyhold real estate To Hold to her during her life as long as she shd remain unmarried pursuant to the thereinbefore recited Will

AND RECITING the sd Hannah Thompson died on the 7th April 1905

AND RECITING at a Court Baron held in and for the sd Manner on the 28th April 1905 the Homage upon their oaths did find and present (upon the facts set out in a Statutory Declaration then produced in reference to a moiety of certain Copyhold hereditaments (not the subject of this present Admittance) called Ive House other Lower Ive House) that the sd Arthur Thompson died on the 2nd December 1899 a Batchelor and Intestate and that his two sisters Julia Horsfall (formerly Julia Thompson Spinster the widow of Young Horsfall and Mary Thompson the wife of Albert Thompson (formerly Mary Thompson Spinster) were Co-heiresses at law and customary Co-Heiresses of the sd Arthur Thompson deceased

AND RECITING at the last mentioned Court the Homage did also find and presented that the said George Thompson (of Carr Field Luddenden aforesaid Corn Miller) died on the 7th June 1884 a Bachelor

AND RECITING the said George Thompson by his last Will and Testament bearing date the 12th Sept. 1882 (a copy whereof was inrolled in the Court Rolls of the sd Manor Court at a/Baronheld on the 19th Dec.1884) gave devised and bequeathed the whole of his estate of every kind personal and real unto his brother Frderick William Thompson (known as Frederick William Thompson) and his Testator's Brother-in-law Young Horsfall upon trust as in his sd Will was mentioned

AND RECITING the sd Young Horsfall died on the 5th Feb. 1894 leaving the sd Frederick William Thompson him surviving

AND RECITING the sd Frederick William Thompson died on the 25th November 1894 a Bachelor having made and executed a Will but such Will did not contain any devise of Copyhold estates vested in him as Trustee and leaving his Brother Arthur Thompson his heir at law and customary heir him surviving

AND RECITING that the said Arthur Thompson died on the 2nd Dec. 1899 a Bachelor and Intestate leaving (as was thereinbefore recited) his two sister the sd Julia Horsfall and Mary Thompson his Co-heriesses at law and Customary Co-heresses him surviving

NOW THEREFORE the said Julia Horsfall of Carr Field Luddenden aforesaid Widow and Mary Thompson the wife of Albert Thompson of 7 Mayfield Road Whalley Range in the City of Manchester Gentleman gave to the Lord and Lady of the sd Manor a find of 9d. for license of herioting ALL and signular the Copyhold hereditaments comprised in the Schedule thereto whereupon the sd Lord and Lady by their Steward have granted the sd premises unto the sd Julia Horsfall and Mary Thompson TO HOLD to them their heirs and assigns as Co-parteners Nevertheless as to one undivided moiety thereof Upon the trusts (if any now subsisting) of the Will of the sd George Thompson deceased <u>HO RE HOLDEN</u> of the Lord and Lady of the sd Manor by the rents suits and services accrding to the custom thereof and they gave to the Lord and Lady for a fine for such their admittance as appears in the margin and the sd Julia Horsfall and Mary Thompson were admitted Tenants accordingly their fealties being respited The said premises being of the yearly rent to the Lord and Lady pf the sd Manor of 3d and compounded for

THE SCHEDULE above referred to

ALL THAT Corn Mill situate at Luddenden in the Parish of Halifax in the County of York called Upper Mill TOGETHER with the Malt Kiln Drying Kiln Warehouses Yard and outbuildings thereto belonging <u>AND ALSO</u> the Reservoir behind the same and the site thereof <u>TOGETHER</u> with the Weir and parcel or plot of ground thereto adjoining All which sd premises were more particularly described or delineated in the map drawn in the margin of an Indenture dated the 18th day of Dec. 1856 made between Joseph Starkey of the 1st part George Thompson of the 2nd part and Robert Thompson and William Henry Thompson of the 3rd pt and thron coloured red <u>AND ALSO</u> all such and so many and such part or parts as were of the nature of fixtures or Real Estate of and in the Steam Engines and other Engines Boilers Cisterns Water Wheels Stones and other machinery fixtures and things in and about or belonging to the sd Corn Mill Reservoir and

hareditaments hyphefore described with their and every of their appurtanences Subject to such special rights or essenants as in the thrabfe mentd Admittances were contained or referred to

niece Marion King and her friend Kenneth Mackintonh Mamilton of "Broad Oak" Warwick Rond Unle

in the County of Chester to be Executrix and Executor and Trustees of this her Will

EXHIBITED by the Steward of the Manor

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PROBATE of the Will of the ad Julia Marafall was granted out of the Manahaster District Probate Registry to both the Executers named in the od Will

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BY CRETIFICATE on Extinguishment of Manorial Incidents No. 3095 under the hand of the Steward of the Manor of Wakefield the manorial incidents a in respect of the hereinbefore abstracted property were entinguished an payment of #31. 3. 4. by way of Compensation

Ex conversions of this date gade between the ad Marion King and Konneth M. Maniet Strater of the called "the Vendors") of the one of and Stuarts (Soverby) Ltd. whose regd office is situate at Upper Mill Luddenden near Malifax in the County of York (thereinafter called "the Company") of the other pt

HECITING:

1. Detein of Julia Horsfell

THE SAID Mary Thompson died on This date

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- 2. Will of the ed Julis Horefall as before abstracted
- 3. Death and Probate of Will of the ad Julia Horafall as before abstracted
- 4. The Vendore had not given or made any assent or Conveyance in respect of a legal
- esiste in or effecting the property thereinafter described and intended to be thereby conveyed or any part thereof
- 5. Agreement for sole at the price of £700 /

IT TAS TITNESSED

IN PURSUANCE of the ad agreement and in consideration of the sum of \$700 pd by the Coy to the Vendors (the ropt where of the Vendors thereby acknowledged) the Vendors AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES of the Testatrix and in exercise of their statutory powers thereby conveyed unto the Coy

> ALL THAT Corn Mill situate at Luddendem in the Parish of Malifax in the County of York called

Upper Mill TOGETHER with the Malt Kiln Drying Kiln Warehouses Yard and outbuildings thereto belonging AND ALSO the Reservoir behind the same and site there of containing an area of 3 roods 18 perches or thereabouts ALL WHICH sd premises where for the purpose of identification only and not of limitation or enlargement more particularly described or delineated in the map drawn in the margin of an Indenture dated the 18th day of December 1856 made btwn Joseph Starkey of the 1st pt George Thompson of the Rebert Roompson 2nd pt and William Henry Thompson of the 3rd pt and there on edged red the buildings there on being coloured red TOGETHER with the weir and parcel or plot of ground thereto adjoining containing an area of 12 perches WHICH ad premises Whre for the purpose of indentification only and not of limitation or enlargement more particularly described or delineated in the sd map and thrn coloured red

TO HOLD the same

UNTO the Company in fee simple <u>SUBJECT</u> to such special rights or easements as were contained or referred to in an Admittance dated the 13th July 1966 by Charles Alfred Worsley Earl of Yarborough and Marcia Amelia Mary Countess of Yarborough in favour of the Testatrix and Mary Thompson and subject to such other rights liberties and easements or quasi easements prescriptive or otherwise as may be now subsisting <u>AND SUBJECT ALSO</u> to all leases and tenancies affecting any part or parts of the premises thereby conveyed

THE VENDORS thereby acknowledged the right of the Coy to production and delivery of copies of the thereinbefore recited Probate of the Will of the Testatrix <u>CERTIFICATE</u> as to value - £1500

> EXECUTED and attested by all parties <u>REGISTERED</u> 17th January 1951 West Riding Registry of Deeds XXXXXXX Wakefield Volume 10 Page 396 No. 165.

MEMORANDUM (end on last abstd Conce) by a Conce d/d the 17th Jany 1952 and made bywn the within named Stuarts (Sowerby) Ltd of the one pt and George Luces and Florence Luces of the other pt a plot of land situate at Upper Mill Luddenden nr Hfx in the County of York being known as and forming the site of the reservoir and its embankments (pt of the ppty comprised in and convol by the within written Conce) was convd unto ysd George Luces and Florence Luces in fee simple as jt tenants; and ysd Conce contd an acknowledgment of the rt of ysd George Luces and Florence Luces to prod and dely of copies of the within written Conce.