

Keith Atkinson Ripple Mill Collection listing

Accession 2013.0008

7 internal photos of Ripple Mill

Transcription of notice of auction of Ripple Mill from Dover Telegraph, 1834

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14 plastic pockets:

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Notes on Ripple Mill – tale of Lord Kitchener

List of work carried out at Ripple Mill by the Holmans of Canterbury, including costs

Letter from Betty Doughty regarding mill cap and war stories

Stories and yarns at Ripple Mill, typed excerpts from various publications

Obituary of Mr G. Simpson

Auction notice for the mill, house and land, from the Dover Telegraph

Letter of enquiry from Gillian Shaw, nee Simpson, about Ripple Mill

Letter from Rex Wailes about publicity of Kent mills and SPAB involvement, 1946

Ten sheets of sketches of mill machinery

Sketch of repairs to be done at Ripple Mill, by Max Hoather

Detail of the restoration of Ripple Mill, two sheets

List of proprietors and millers at Ripple Mill

Family information from Stephen Mummery with other facts gleaned from parish records etc., eight sheets

Letter from Judy Atkinson about Ripple Mill builder

Photocopied image of John Mummery with sons Ebenezer and Frank, 1874

Durrant's press cutting regarding court case of youths breaking into Ripple mill, damaging it and stealing grain

Letter about the mill and its history from W. F. Stuckland

Letter from unknown, Windsor, regarding the mill between 1929 and 1941

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Four small photographs of mill machinery, 1947, by Max Hoatha, and a large undated photo of the mill

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1 Photo of John Mummery, miller at Ripple, with one of his daughters

2 Henry Mummery, miller at Ripple

3 Emma Mummery, aged 16

4 George Simpson, miller at Ripple, standing at Mill House

5 Mr. and Mrs. Simpson at Mill House

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Copy of newspaper image and caption about bombing of Ripple Mill

Wedding photograph; Mr. Woollett (miller) at his daughter's wedding to Arthur Allen

Photograph of Betty Walters by the mill, 1935

Photograph of Bert Neames (85th birthday), 1993

Four photographs of the mill without its cap, 1991

Copy of published image of Ripple Mill; stone nut and bevel adjustment of governor gear

Photograph of Bert Woollett on his brother's motorcycle outside the Old Granary at Ripple Mill, now demolished

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1 Believed to be Major Monins in bowler hat after repairs to mill with a grant from Trinity House in 1895. Note old timber in front of staging

2 Possibly Mrs. Simpson with one of her daughters taken by E. Lancaster-Burn 8th September 1902, by the mill

3 Note chimney of Marshal Portable Steam Engine at ridge of roof, three photographs of the mill taken from a book

4 Mr. Fred Woollett, miller. Note empty sacks by door

5 Mr. Hearden, estate manager in late 1930. Photo taken 1945 at Ripple Mill

6 Fred Woollett, Marjorie and Spider the dog by the mill

7 Mr. Barwick, van driver at Ripple

8 Mr. Walters with Kitty the horse. Mr. Walters had to deliver meal by horse drawn van in early days of the war

9 Mr. Woollett's daughter with Mr. Allen, van driver at Ripple

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1 Great spur wheel and sprattle beam, 1930

2 Governor gear for mill stones, 1947

3 Governor gear. Note gear at bottom left, this is for auxiliary drive from Blackstone oil engine, 1947

4 Iron bridge tree and stone nut for driving mill stones

5 Great spur wheel with drive gear to machinery on floor above, 1947

6 Cogs in spur wheel, all wood

7 Hopper on barley stone

8 Stone nut taken out of gear by rack and pinion. Note full sacks of meal, 1930

9 Hopper on French stone. Note damsel in centre

10 Hopper with chute. Note gate to control rate of feed to stones, 1947

11 Stone case with hopper. Note cord over pulley to floor below to control gate

12 Bell alarm to warn miller grain is getting low in hopper, 1930

13 Hoppers and stone cases taken for fire wood by squatters, 1948

14 Massive wooden upright shaft, 1948

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1 Brake wheel, 1930

2 Brake wheel. Note wallower gear left hand at top of photo and wooden truck centring wheel bottom left, 1947

3 Brake wheel and wallower gear, 1945

4 Fan and gear for winding mill to wind, 1945

5 Striking gear for operating shutters, 1945

6 Inside gear of cap. Fan stage girder and hook for brake. Note marks on weatherboard are from laths, which indicate cap was plastered inside at some time, 1947

7 Sweep with shutters open. Two with canvas torn. Last six removed, 1947

8 Lever down at rear of cap. Shutters closed. Mill still working. Note aircraft. A USA Flying Fortress Bomber, just crossed channel, 1945

9 Fan has come adrift. Note, slates have been stripped from stable roof, 1946

10 Sweeps now unworkable. Note bow in stock close to snapping, 1946

11 Guard of Royal Sussex at Ripple Mill, 1940

12 Guard at attention. Mill was defended by heavy machine guns due to its elevated position, 1940

13 Two Royal Sussex boys relaxing at mill, 1940

14 Lance Corporal (known as Butch) just finished guarding crash landed Spitfire in field by Mill Garage

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1 Press cutting of decapped mill, 1956

2 Rediffusion aerials on mill about 1960

3 Smaller aerials on mill, 1978

4 Different aerials again, 1978

5 Derelict Mill House sold by rediffusion in 1976 for the sum of £6,000. Now restored in 1978

6 Aerials removed sales picture

7 Sales brochure, 1987

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1 Mr. Walters tarring mill from Bosans chair (by sweep), around 1934

2 Mill closed but still in working order, 1945

3 Mill has lost its fantail. Fan resting on fan stage. Boarded up on it way to dereliction, 1946

4 Mill House overgrown. Windows taken for fire wood by squatters, 1947

5 Mill now derelict. Only one sweep

6 Mill with no doors, windows, and part of sweep

7 De-roofed engine house. Blackstone oil engine still in place. Brass parts taken for scrap, 1947

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1, 2 & 3 Mr. Woollett and Mr. Barwick survey damage by broken sweep in 1926. Note damage to the top of cap

4 Flag on top of mill believed to be unveiling of memorial to Dover Patrol. Note large granary in front of mill. Now demolished

5 Mill now working with only two sweeps. Note empty sacks being carried in to the mill with delivery van in left hand corner. Shutters closed with lever at back of cap in down position. Mill working

6 Mr. Woollett in field to mill. Shutter open and lever at back of cap in raised position

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Six pages of drawings and measurements with captions and explanations from Thomas Holman's note book from 1882

Two pages of the details of sweeps from Lancaster Burns' note book – 8th September 1901

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- 1 Shaping the weather beam the traditional way with Adze in 1988
- 2 Weather beam nearly completed
- 3 Final finishing with Adze
- 4 On site assembly of cap frame
- 5 Finished cap frame
- 6 Rear of cap with fan staging
- 7 Ribs of cap roof
- 8 Finished cap ready for windshaft and front
- 9 Windshaft in place with brake wheel
- 10 Completed cap ready for lifting on to tower
- 11 Wooden upright shaft ready to be dropped in mill
- 12 Upright shaft in mill. Final positioning on to separate beam
- 13 Cap on mill tower

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- 1 Site clearance. Note tunnel for flat belt drive to mill from engine house
- 2 Weather board on smock tower, 1987
- 3 Rot in cant posts and cills. Note iron brackets holding cill together
- 4 Rot at bottom of cant post
- 5 Method of securing cant post to cill with iron bracket
- 6 New framing and repaired cant post bottom
- 7 Rot in framing removed
- 8 New framing in position
- 9 Rot in floor beams
- 10 Repaired and treated

11 Cogs in curbs

12 New repair section scarfed joined and morticed for cogs

13 Steel strengthening ring being lowered on to take weight of cap

14 Completed curb ready for cap

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1 Making an elm wooden worm gear to mesh with cogs in curb to wind mill into the wind

2 Oak thrust and bearing block for worm gear

3 Worm being hoisted into the back of the cap

4 Worm meshed with cogs in the curb

5 Stock with one sweep fitted

6 Stock with both sweeps fitted and painted

7 Stock and sweeps being lifted

8 Stock being guided through the end of the windshaft box

9 Second sweep being refixed to stock

10 One pair completed

11 Second sweep and stock being lifted into position

12 Lowering stock and sweep into windshaft box

13 Second sweep bolted to stock

14 Completed sweeps