

MILLS AT STAPLETON - From Newspaper Sources

Martin Bodman

1. To be sold by Auction

... A very Good GRIST-MILL with two water wheels, three pair of stones, bolting-mills ... good dwelling house, gardens Ec adjoining the mill, situate at Stapleton, at present occupied by respected tenants, for the remainder of a lease which expires the 24th of June next, at which time the purchaser will be put in possession.

The Bristol Gazette, 27 May 1789.

2. Stapleton Mill

To be let by auction, at the Bell Inn, Stapleton on 26 February ... Capital Mill, Dwelling House, Stable, pig-styes and piece of garden in the occupation of Mr. John Barker, baker. ... Near the Frenchprison ... let for a term of 7 years determinable at the end of 3 years, option of either party

The Mirror and Bonner & Middleton's Bristol Journal, 14 February 1807.

3. Stapleton Mill

Aquilla Hobbs, widow of Henry Hobbs, late of Stapleton, miller and mealman, begs to return her best thanks to her Friends and the Public, for the favours conferred on her late husband, and to inform them that she continues the Business, for the benefit of herself and family, at Stapleton Mills, where all orders will receive the best and most prompt attention. Her son Henry Hobbs has been regularly brought up in the business, and is fully competent to manage it in all its branches. Stapleton 30 April 1818.

Felix Farleys Bristol Journal, 2 May 1818.

4. To be sold by auction

... a substantial Dwelling-house, with Stable and other Out-houses, Gardens and an excellent Water Mill, with 3 pair of stones, adjoining; situate on the banks of the River Frome, in the parish of Stapleton ... together with about 5 acres of land, the whole lately in the occupation of Mr. Joseph Bridgeman. Also a Barn in the occupation of Mr. Rogers, vinegar manufacturer for a view of the Premises, apply ... Mr. John Parker, Stoke-Gifford.

Bristol Mirror, 8 March 1823.

(This probably refers to Witherley's Mill, also known as Snuffly Jack's or Parkers Mill).

5. Stapleton

Freehold Dwelling House and Mill

... For many years employed in Manufacturing Snuff ... a garden and about 2 acres of Meadow Land, and Quarries and Ground adjoining, containing between 2 and 3 Acres more ... The views from the Premises are beautifully picturesque, and ... might be converted into a most serviceable residence, situate

on the River Frome in the parish of Stapleton and adjoining Oldbury Court Estate ... Apply on the premises, and for conditions of Sale to Messrs. Isaac Cooke and Sons, solicitors, Shannon Court, Bristol.

Bristol Mirror, 24 May 1834.

This is also Witherley's Mill.

6. Stapleton, Near Bristol

To Millers, Flour Dealers and others. To be Let on the 24th June next, a capital WATER GRIST MILL, working three Pair of Stones, situate at Stapleton, about two miles from Bristol, with a Dwelling House, Bake House, Stable, Yard, Gardens and Five Acres of Arable Land.

Bristol Mirror, 24 May 1845.

CAPITAL WATER GRIST MILL AND LAND
FOR SALE,
AT STAPLETON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,
By Mr. JOHN HAWKINS,
At the BELL INN, STAPLETON, on MONDAY, the 1st day
of May next, at Five o'clock in the afternoon, (by order of
the Assignees of CHARLES HOPKINS, a Bankrupt, and with
the consent of the Mortgagee.)

THE undermentioned valuable DWELLING-
HOUSES, WATER GRIST MILL, and LAND, either in
Lots, or together, as shall be agreed upon at the time of Sale,
VIZ. :-
Lot 1. All that MESSUAGE or Dwelling-House, and
WATER MILL, situate on an excellent stream of water, and
capable of working three pair of Stones, together with two
Dressing Mills, all in excellent condition, the same having re-
cently undergone a very extensive repair.
Lot 2. Also, all that newly-erected DWELLING-HOUSE,
nearly adjoining, with two extensive Gardens, well stocked
with fruit trees. Also, a good Bakehouse, Stable, Barn, Wagon
House, Piggeries, and Yard, thereto belonging.
Lot 3. And, also, all those Five Acres of Arable and Meadow
LAND, situate directly behind the said Dwelling-House and
Mill, and adjoining thereto.
The above desirable Premises are now in the occupation of
Mr. — Jones, as a Yearly Tenant, and are situate at Stapleton,
about 3 miles from Bristol, wherein a very considerable trade
has been carried on for a great number of years, and being the
property of a Bankrupt, will be sold free of Auction Duty.
For viewing the same, apply to Mr. Jones, the Tenant, on
the Premises; and for further particulars and conditions of
sale, to Messrs. DANIELS and BARKER, Solicitors, Shannon-
court, Corn-street, Bristol.

'Flour Mill and Machinery, Broom Hill, Stapleton Mr. Josiah Bell ... 1 rod 19 perches ... 12 h.p. engine and 12 h.p. Water Wheel. 3 pairs of stones ... Oat, Malt and bean crusher and dressing mill ... Ground floor and three lofts. Upper loft 52' 18~' Stable, piggeries, wagon house and Sheds ... (lot 3 of 5 lots) sale by auction

Bristol Mercury, 6 April 1889.

8. Water and Steam Flour Mills, Dwelling House and Premises, Stapleton, Near Bristol

... sell by auction ... All that substantially built FLOUR and GRIST MILL known as 'STAPLETON MILLS' for many years occupied by Mr. John Watts . . . the Mill contains Four Floors, with three Pairs of Stones drawn by a powerful 15-foot Iron Water Wheel. There is also a 14 h.p. Horizontal Steam Engine and Boiler, and other machinery

Bristol Mercury, 19 May 1894.