

CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Daphne Langton writes

LADIES' FELLOWSHIP

At the February meeting Betty Callaghan gave a short talk about working for *Hansard* in the Houses of Parliament. This was followed by a discussion of future plans in the Club.

At the meeting on Wednesday 25 March at 2.30 p.m. in the Assembly Rooms, Rosemary Hartley will talk about her recent visit to Ethiopia. A coach trip to Bury St. Edmunds is planned for May.

Paw Slingo writes

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 1 April, in the Assembly Rooms, Dedham, when the speaker will be Barry Gayton talking about Exotic Plants. All are welcome.

The *Spring Flower Show* will be held on Saturday 4 April in the Assembly Rooms, Dedham. Please look round your gardens and enter as much as you can. We do need a 'Bumper Show' this year. Come and join us.

Ian Rose writes

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The next meeting will be on Wednesday 8 April at 2.25 p.m., in the Constable Hall, Gandish Road, East Bergholt, when there will be an illustrated talk 'Flatford & Constable Country', by Simon Gallup, a local conservationist involved with the River Stour.

Betty Callaghan writes

GOOD NEIGHBOURS' CLUB

On Friday 13 March we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Club. An enjoyable time was had by all.

Our next meeting will take place on Friday 3 April and the competition will be a "specimen of one's handwriting".

GUIDES AND STEWARDS

One of the things of which Dedham can be justifiably proud is the way we welcome visitors, particularly to our two biggest attractions (after the landscape), namely the *Sir Alfred Munnings Art Museum* at Castle House, and the Parish Church.

Both of these buildings rely on the goodwill of volunteers to make the welcome enjoyable to the many visitors, and incidentally adding the important task of security to the pleasant and simple task of giving a welcoming smile.

If you are able and willing to give an hour or so once a week, between Easter and Harvest, to be a guide or a steward, please let either Castle House (☎ 322 127) or the Vicar (☎ 322 136) know. Training will be provided. There is a particular need for Tower Tour guides to step forward (and upward!) if we are to keep this successful attraction available regularly in 2009. *All of Dedham can benefit by ensuring we continue to have a good reputation for the welcome our village gives.*

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30 a.m.

Holy Communion *BCP*
Every Sunday (not August)

10.30 a.m.

Family Service
1st Sunday in month

Morning Worship *cw*
2nd & 5th Sundays

Holy Communion *cw*
3rd Sunday in month

Morning Prayer *BCP*
4th Sundays

6.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer *BCP*

JUNIOR CHURCH

10.15 a.m.

Family Service in Church
1st Sunday in month

In the Assembly Rooms
or Duchy Barn
on all other Sundays
during school terms

**DEADLINE FOR
MAY EDITION :
15 April**



HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

PALM SUNDAY 5 April

- 8.30 a.m. *Holy Communion BCP*
- 10.30 a.m. *Family Service & Distribution of Palms*
- 6.30 p.m. *Choral Evensong BCP*

MAUNDY THURSDAY 9 APRIL

8 p.m. *Holy Communion 1662*



GOOD FRIDAY 10 APRIL

12 noon - 3 p.m. Vigil

'IN HIS IMAGE'

1 p.m. ROLY

in the Assembly Rooms (see page 4)

EASTER DAY 12 APRIL

- 6.00 a.m. *Tower-top Sunrise Service*
followed by breakfast at the Vicarage
- 8.30 a.m. *Holy Communion BCP*
- 10.30 a.m. *Parish Communion CW*
- 6.30 p.m. *Holy Communion CW*

N.B. Please let the Vicarage know if you expect to attend the Sunrise Service

TOWER FLAG DAYS THIS MONTH



- Sunday 5 April *Palm Sunday*
- Friday 10 April *Good Friday*
- Sunday 12 April *Easter Day*

- Monday 21 April *H.M. Queen's Birthday*
- Wednesday 23 April *St. George*



*My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.
O who am I, that for my sake,
my Lord should take frail flesh and die?*

Hymns Old & New No. 346

Samuel Crossman (1624-1683) is one of only a few 17th-century English hymn-writers whose work is still to be found in modern hymn books. He was born in 'Bradfield Monachorum', near Bury St Edmunds, which today is called Bradfield St. George. Crossman earned his degree at Pembroke College, Cambridge, becoming minister of All Saints, Sudbury (for more than a century the family home and burial place of most of the Burkitt family). He was expelled after the 1662 Act of Uniformity became law (as was Matthew Newcomen of Dedham) but, unlike most of the other 2,000 or so ministers, he was later ordained into the newly-established Church of England.

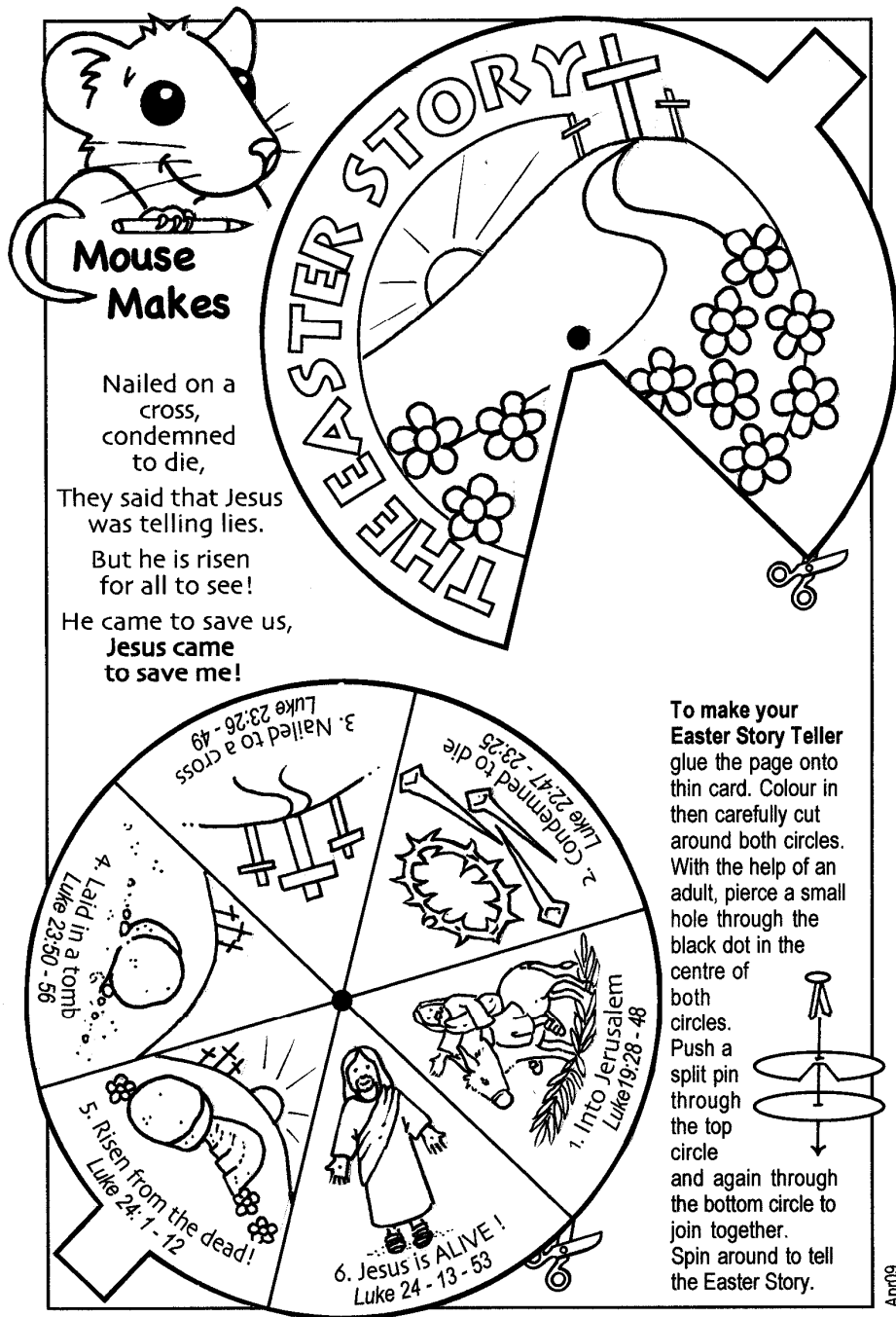
It was during his time of 'exile' that he published a short book of nine poems, *The Young Man's Meditation*, of which this hymn was one. It was then rather lost from view, being included in no hymn-books for almost two hundred years. In 1667 Crossman became a Prebendary (like a 'Canon') of Bristol Cathedral and then, just a few weeks before he died, the Dean. He is buried in the south aisle of the cathedral.

In 1868 the hymn was re-published in the *Anglican Hymn Book*. John Ireland (1879-1962) was later asked to write a new tune for this hymn, to be included in the *Public School Hymn Book* of 1919. According to a letter in the *Daily Telegraph* in 1950, Ireland was supposed to have written the tune, *Love Unknown*, in just a few minutes. Others say that he wrote it on the back of a menu, after being taken out to lunch by the music editor, Geoffrey Shaw. Our hymn book omits Crossman's penultimate verse:



John Ireland

*In life, no house, no home,
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was His home;
But mine the tomb wherein He lay.*



VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

EASTER WINGS (after George Herbert, 1593-1633)

Lord, who created us in wealth and store,
Though foolishly we lost the same,
Decaying more and more,
Till we became
Most poor:
With Thee
O let us rise,
As larks, harmoniously,
And sing this day Thy victories:
Then shall the fall further the flight in me.

My tender age in sorrow did begin;
And still with sicknesses and shame
Thou didst so punish sin,
That I became
Most thin.
With Thee
Let me combine,
And feel this day Thy victory;
For, if I imp my wing on Thine,
Affliction shall advance the flight in me.

MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED

Thanks to a legacy, and the support of the *Friends of Dedham Church*, the PCC has been able to agree a major series of projects to maintain and improve the Parish Church. During 2009, subject to necessary approval, we plan to:

- repair the external render of the church which, having failed in several places, is letting the building become damp
- repair the South aisle roof and other places where water is getting in
- replace all the fan-convactor heaters
- replace the chancel lighting and make it accessible for maintenance
- restore the choir pews; they were installed a century ago and are being attacked by a wood-boring beetle. They will be removed, repaired and restored, but with additional heating and lighting.
- clean the chancel monuments, windows and floor, and re-paint the walls

In 2010, if the congregation and community support the work, we hope to:

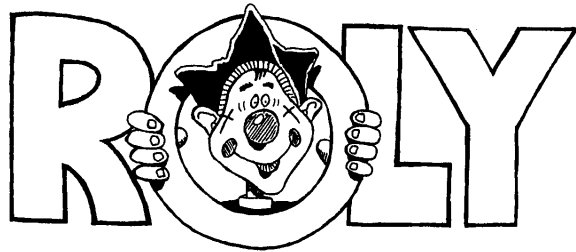
- repair the clerestory (high level) windows in the nave which allow water in (these have been scheduled for repair for more than twenty years)
- re-decorate the nave walls (there is a major task of removing some 40 year-old emulsion from the walls, which should never have been applied, before giving the walls several coats of limewash
- remove and restore the pews, having repaired and re-polished the floor

Details of some of the pastoral, mission and social work being supported from the legacy will be given next month.

Your gifts in support of the 2010 projects would be welcomed.

NOTICEBOARD

Dedham Parish Church
warmly invites
children of all ages and their families
to join



award-winning professional clown
and Anglican priest, Roly Bain, for an hour of

Faith Fun Foolishness

1 p.m. on Good Friday, 10 April
at Dedham Assembly Rooms

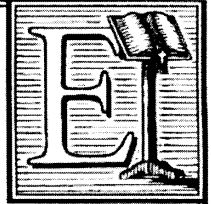
Roly's show, which combines circus, comedy, slapstick
and Gospel storytelling, will end with an invitation to join
him for the closing stages of the Good Friday service in
Dedham Parish Church, between 2.30 and 3.00 p.m.

Admission free—no need to book
Free parking in Assembly Rooms
grounds for the earliest arrivals

Dedham Assembly Rooms
200 yds from Church,
on the High Street.



Dedham Lecture 2009



Sister

Frances Dominica

*Founder and Trustee of
Helen & Douglas House, Oxford
Hospice Care for Children and Young People*



Tears in Heaven? Children and Bereavement

8 p.m.

Thursday 11 June



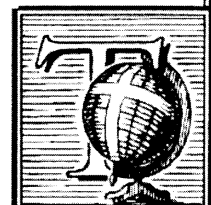
For further information
or a CD recording of this Lecture:

Telephone: 01206 322 136

E-mail: office@dedham-parishchurch.org.uk



The Lecture will take place in
Dedham Parish Church
and is arranged by the Dedham
Ecclesiastical Lectureship Trust.



NOTICEBOARD

Special East Anglian Premiere of

The End of the Line

at the Electric Palace, Harwich

Wednesday 10 June 2009

7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

Tickets £8 inc. glass of wine

In aid of Dedham Parish Church

Tickets from Electric Palace Cinema ☎ **01255 553 333**

Pamela Clover ☎ **323 503** or Vee Druitt ☎ **322 000**

or Ann Shaw ☎ **322 192**



“NOT JUST BROADWAY, BABY!”

an evening with the

COLCHESTER OPERATIC SOCIETY

Saturday 4 July 2009

at the Sir Alfred Munnings Art Museum,

Castle House, Dedham

in aid of St. Helena Hospice

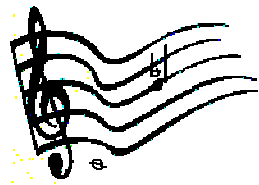
Gates open: 6:00 p.m. Concert starts: 7:30 p.m.

BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC, DRINKS AND EVEN YOUR OWN GAZEBO!

Tickets: £10:00 Adult £5:00 Child (16 or under)

Free Car Parking

For tickets contact David Druitt ☎ **322 000**



NEWSROUND

Susanne Grimwade writes

SMARTYS PRE-SCHOOL

The children have been enjoying the recent good weather playing in our garden area. The children have also been busy making pancakes (with some interesting toppings!) together with lovely Mother's Day cards. Our thanks once again go to Helen at *The Chocolate House* for all her generous donations which were greatly appreciated.

We would also like to remind parents that a place at Dedham C.E. Primary School does not guarantee automatically a place at Smartys Pre-School [or vice versa - Ed.] There is a waiting list so we suggest you put your child's name down as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Please contact Tina Newbury-Smith ☎ **323 412** for further details.

Catherine Eldred writes

EAST BERGHOLT SURGERY

Blood Pressure If you have a home blood pressure machine, please telephone us with your latest reading every three months and ask for the data team. You can leave a message if no-one is available to take your call.
Booster Vaccination We will be inviting students in year 10 to offer them a Diphtheria, Tetanus and polio booster vaccination at a clinic session to be held on 7 May at East Bergholt. If anyone is unable to attend on that date please telephone the surgery for an appointment.

Ann Shaw writes

‘THE END OF THE LINE’

This is the title of a film which has just premiered at Robert Redford's Sundance Festival. It is based on the award-winning book of the same name by Charles Clover. It is the world's first major documentary film about the catastrophic consequences of the human pillage of the oceans.

Charles, who was born and brought up in Dedham, will personally introduce the film at a special East Anglian premiere at the Electric Palace cinema in Harwich. Afterwards he will answer questions about the film. This special showing of the film will be in aid of Dedham Parish Church; for details of how to get tickets see page 11.



Chlamydia The Department of Health is also currently running a campaign to encourage young people between the ages of 15 - 24 to attend for chlamydia screening. This involves a simple test which patients can do for themselves. Please telephone the surgery for more information or to book an appointment with a Practice Nurse
Appointments System At the time of writing this we are just one week into the new system, but feedback so far has been very positive. Just to remind you that we are now able to offer routine pre-booked appointments on Saturdays at our Capel site.

NEWSROUND

Will Sambrook writes

COMMUNITY WILDSpace

Would you like to work with a team of community-minded green-fingered residents based around Dedham? Well, there are a group of them banding together to create a 'green oasis' where they and others can develop their knowledge of wildlife and create a legacy for future generations.

Situated in an Area of this is a wonderful place in which to develop a sustainable and accessible 'wild space'. The group have already received enthusiastic support from Dedham C.E. Primary School, Friends of Dedham Church and the Ardleigh Scout Group.

Following a very productive meeting in December, a steering group is being set up under the guidance of the *Green Light Trust*. Once established, the group will investigate the possibility of obtaining a piece of land which can be planted with trees and/or wildflowers and can be used by community groups wishing to become more involved in nature. Simon Amstutz, of the Stour Valley and Dedham Vale AONB Project said, 'Any new site will offer children and adults alike the opportunity to enjoy England's finest countryside while learning about wildlife.'

If you would like to find out about how you can help, please contact **Will Sambrook** on ☎ 323 813 or email: will@akenham.com

John Osborne writes

HOMEOPATHY IN DEDHAM

The *Dedham Vale Network (DVN)* of complementary therapists has been in at the Dedham Health Centre since November 2008. Last month it was reported that GP and nursing services will also be available there from late spring /early summer 2009.

The DVN is to be joined by Arlene Lyne, a registered homeopath, who will be available at the health centre two days per week. With a background of practice experience at the prestigious Helios Clinic in London, Arlene is pleased to be providing good-quality, affordable homeopathy here. If you are interested in finding out more go to www.arlenelyne.com or phone Arlene on 07905 498 228. Liz Kotarska, says 'This supports our aim to provide qualified, professional practitioners, offering an individual and a caring service to all seeking our support.' www.DedhamValeNetwork.com

Cllr. Ann Cannon writes

RETURN OF THE 'K8'

Further to the item in last month's *Parish Magazine*, concerning rare 'K8' telephone box which was removed from Long Road East in late January; this was an error on behalf of BT. The Parish Council had expressly asked BT that it remained in service. The shell of a more modern public telephone box has since been re-instated. We await a phone being installed and connected.

NOTICEBOARD

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

DEMONSTRATION BY MANDY STEWARD
ASSEMBLY ROOMS, DEDHAM
WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tickets £15 each, to include morning coffee and lunch.
Tickets: Vee Druitt ☎ 322 000 or Ann Shaw ☎ 322 192
In aid of Church funds



English Speaking Union — Colchester Branch

'Shakespeare in Dedham'

3 p.m. Sunday 10 May

The Grove, Grove Hill, Dedham

Guest Speaker: Peter Kyle

Chief Executive, Shakespeare's Globe Theatre

Host: Bob Foster Afternoon tea: £10, students £3
Tickets from Geraldine Watson ☎ 322 130 by Monday 4 May, please.

FRIENDS OF DEDHAM CHURCH

Charity No 1103634

CHARITY GOLF DAY

Hintlesham Golf Club

Tuesday 12 May 2009

For entry form contact Beth Mitchell ☎ 322 072



The Dedham Players

present



OUR TOWN

by Thornton Wilder

Wed 22nd to Sat 25th April at 7.45pm

Assembly Rooms, Dedham Tickets £7 from 01206 323 160
& W A Hood Newsagents, Dedham High Street



Dedham Duck Race

in aid of Girlguiding supporting the
Malaysia Aid Project

Monday 4 May
race starts at noon

Starting at Mill Bridge, Dedham
£25 for the first duck
crossing the finish line.

Entry is £1 per duck
Tracey Lovelock ☎ 323 521 or
Ann Bailey ☎ 230 404
Home made cakes, plant stall
and bookstall
(donations of books appreciated)

COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL TENANTS' ROADSHOW

Arrangements have been made
for a Tenants' Forum
to be held in the

Duchy Barn
2 p.m.
Friday 3 April 2009

**All tenants are very welcome to
attend so that they can
comment and report on any
repairs and problems
they may have.**

Sally-Ann Head

EPPa FIRST BIRTHDAY

In January Dedham Village EPPa (Effective Partnerships with Parents) group held a special assembly at the Primary School to celebrate reaching its first anniversary. We had a display of photographs, pictures and equipment showing all the activities and clubs run last year. Each child was given some birthday cake to mark the occasion.

We are especially grateful to the Piers and Victoria of the *Sun Inn*, and their Head Chef, who have generously offered to lead a cookery session for each class this term, providing them locally-sourced ingredients. In addition, we are delighted to have secured funding of £1,000 from the "Let's Get Cooking" (National Lottery) scheme to fund further Cookery Club sessions.

Our popular Wildlife Club is also running again this term, with children and their parents/carers having fun together learning about pond creatures and owls. Later in the year, we hope to arrange a 'Bat Walk' in our village. Several parents are taking part in the 'Keeping Up With The Children – Literacy' course, learning how reading and writing are taught these days and brushing up on grammar, spelling and punctuation along the way. We are proud our worthwhile group continues to achieve its aims of enhancing the learning experience for all the families associated with the Primary School and fostering links with the community.

Cllr. Roy Laverick writes

SHOPMOBILITY

Colchester CVS explained how they are hoping to expand their activities in the Dedham area. The aim is to offer transport for those who have difficulty using public transport. Trips to E. Bergholt surgery, shops in Colchester, and visits to meet friends may be on offer. A pre-requisite is recruiting volunteer drivers from Dedham. Can you help? A mileage allowance is provided, and C CVS say that drivers are given flexibility in choosing when, and for how long, they offer their service. Georgie Hurst ☎ 562 244.

BULKY REFUSE DISPOSAL

An 'attended refuse freighter' (a skip) will be in the village, allowing residents to dispose of bulky items of domestic waste, free of charge. It will be in Parson's Field, 9.15 a.m. -10.30 a.m. on 25 April, 20 June and 17 October 2009. Fridges, freezers, and potentially hazardous items cannot be accepted. Garden waste should be separate.

COUNCIL TENANTS' MEETING

On Fri. 3 April, at 2 p.m. there will be a meeting in the Duchy Barn to discuss housing problems with the appropriate Borough officials and Ward Councillor Garnett. If you are unable to attend but have concerns you would like raised, phone Cllr. Garnett ☎ 272 479 and he will pursue them on your behalf.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL

This will be at 7.30 p.m., Wednesday 8 April in the Assembly Rooms.

Ten Years Ago **April 1999**

◆ **ASSEMBLY ROOMS** The extensive refurbishment was well under way; a brief history was noted: “The main hall was probably built in the autumn of 1744 - some primary timber from the building has been tree-ring dated...to that year. This makes it the third or fourth oldest Assembly Rooms in the country, and the earliest to have been built on a “green-field” site. The other old ones had to be fitted into a town site of awkward size and shape, so ours is...the oldest known Assembly Rooms to have been built to the full design.”

Fifty Years Ago **April 1959**

◆ **DEDHAM’S ‘PASSION PLAY’** received a mention in the *Radio Times*.
 ◆ **SOUTH CHAPEL** “is now almost completed...it will be appreciated by all those who use the church for midweek services.”
 ◆ **JAMES MUIRHEAD** Organist and Churchwarden, was obliged through illness to miss playing the organ on Easter Day, the first time in 14 years.
 ◆ **JOHN FULCHER** His death, aged 90, was reported. His mother had brewed ginger beer for the boys of Dedham Grammar School. As a child he had cleaned the boots and shoes at Sherman’s Hall, then a young ladies’ school. He had served in the Royal Navy on HMS *Royalist* and had enjoyed a long career at Kew Gardens.

A Century Ago **April 1909**

◆ **MAJOR-GENERAL SIR MATTHEW GOSSETT** His death was reported thus: “To few men are given such gifts of friendship, and the power to inspire affection such as he had.” Born in 1839, he belonged to an old Huguenot family [which had moved to Dedham during William Burkitt’s time] and had commanded 1st Dorset Regiment, serving in South Africa, Burma, Dublin, and was a veteran of the Indian Mutiny, 1857. His library “was probably the best equipped in Dedham.”

◆ **EBENEZER CLOVER** His death was reported thus: “He came to live in Dedham in 1881, when he bought the mill and adjoining property. A shrewd man of business he at once had the mill fitted up with the latest machinery...Just nine months ago the mill was destroyed by fire. Since then it has been rebuilt and only a few days ago was in full working order...He was a leading supporter of the Congregational Chapel.” He was 74 years old.

CHURCH GATE HOUSE 1908



The *Muniment Room Society* is very grateful to **Phyllis & Jack Phillips**, owners of Church Gate House, for allowing a copy to be made of their original picture, which is by the artist ‘M. Bradley’ and dated 1908. Phyllis says that Mr. Gooch the chemist had the shop front fitted some time around 1875. It remained a ‘Chemists’ shop until the Phillips moved their business to the North side of the High Street in 1994.

We have two other watercolours by the M. Bradley in the collection, showing the insider of the Parish Church in the same year.
 Does anyone have more information about this artist?

DEDHAM HUNT [c.1905]

Thanks to a very generous donation to the *Muniment Room Society*, this large photograph has now been handsomely framed by local artist Terry Jeffrey.

WANTED

If you have photographs or other memorabilia that would not be wanted by your family, please approach the *Muniment Room Society* before permanently disposing of anything. ☎ **01206 322 136**