



Ploughing with a 3 horse team. W.H Hopkins 1882

Notes on Abingdon Ploughing Competition's from Jackson's Oxford Journal's

Relating to James STIMPSON

Jackson's Oxford Journal date.	Main points of text relating to Abingdon Ploughing matches.	Note's
1865	.	No results for Abingdon ploughing match found
6-Oct-1866	Full coverage of Abingdon ploughing match.	No prizes to STIMPSON's.
1867		No results for Abingdon ploughing match found.
26-Sep-1868	<p>Abingdon. The ploughing commenced at an early hour on land in the occupation of Mr F Graham between and on one side of the Radley and Oxford roads and forming part of the estate of sir G Bowyer. In several classes the ploughmen worked with Ransomes ploughs. In one or two others Howards implements took off prizes. There were altogether 98 teams at work.</p> <p>Ploughing. Class 1 (20 entries) - Two horses without a driver. 3rd prize £1-10s to Charles STIMPSON ploughman to W Aldworth Esq Frilford. Class 2 (20 entries) - Three horses with a driver. 2nd prize £2 (driver 10s) to James STIMPSON, ploughman to Mr Thomas Dewe.</p>	<p>The 1881 census index lists only 2 suitable Mr T DEWE's in Berkshire.</p> <p>Tom William DEWE age 38 Stonehill farm, Sutton Wick. Occ Farmer & Land owner 270 Acres employing 11 men, 6 boys & 4 women.</p> <p>Thomas Newton DEWE age 52 The Grange, Church St, Drayton. Occ Farmer 365 Acres employing 22 men & 6 boys.</p> <p>James STIMPSON (b. 1835). Was living at Sutton Wick, Occ. Ag Lab, so this is most likely him.</p>
2-Oct-1869	Full coverage of ploughing match	No prizes to James STIMPSON
30-Sep-1870	<p>Abingdon. The grounds selected for the ploughing comprised 3 fields at Pewett farm, the property of W Graham esq. 69 ploughs competed.</p> <p>Ploughing. Class 2 - Three horses with a driver. 2nd prize £2 to James STIMPSON, ploughman to Mr Dewe. Driver Wm STIMPSON 10s</p>	This is most likely James STIMPSON (b.1835) and his step son William DENTON (b.1858) who was generally referred to as William STIMPSON until he married. Still working for Mr DEWE at Sutton Wick.
30-Sep-1871	<p>Abingdon. Ploughing matches took place last Tuesday, at Rye Farm in the occupation of Mr B Badcock.</p> <p>Ploughing. Class 1 - Two horses without a driver. 2nd prize £2 to James STIMPSON, Ploughman to Mr T Dewe.</p> <p>Servants. Class 9 - For the longest servitude. First prize £3 to Henry DENTON, 40 years in the service of Mr T Dewe.</p>	<p>This is most likely James STIMPSON (b.1835). Still working for Mr T DEWE at Sutton Wick.</p> <p>Also Henry DENTON, who is James' father-in-law, wins the longest servitude prize for working for Mr T DEWE for 40 years.</p>
28-Sep-1872	Full coverage of Abingdon ploughing match but no prizes to James STIMPSON	James STIMPSON was known to move house from Sutton Wick to Radley in about 1872.
27-Sep-1873	Full coverage of Abingdon ploughing match but no prizes to James STIMPSON	It is possible that James STIMPSON no longer entered the ploughing contest's once he finished working for Mr T DEWE at Sutton Wick.
26-Sep-1874	Full coverage of Abingdon ploughing match but no prizes to James STIMPSON	
2-Oct-1875	Full coverage of Abingdon ploughing match but no prizes to James STIMPSON	
1876 - 1890	No further details of Abingdon ploughing match's found.	