

69 High Street

- 1738 John Gamage, half burgage in ten Robert Franklen *BR#150*
- 1744 John Gamage, half burgage in ten Gwen Roderick, widow (John Thomas, barber named as tenant) *BR#152*
- 1761 Lease, Elinor Williams of Breach, spinster, to Lewis Griffiths of Colwinston, 'all that messuage, 1 stable, 1 curtilage and 1 garden having the house and garden of Joan Taynton, widow, on the east, the houses and gardens of the late Pierce Cornish on the west, as John Roberts, apothecary, lately held'
L. Hopkin-James collection, MS 4.615 5/7 in Cardiff Library
- (in the *Diary of William Thomas*, 20/5/1763: "was buried since March in St Kitts Isle, that wicked man in the Thetis Snow of Bristol, was the cause of much grief to John Banker, carpenter in the same... John (Dr) Roberts, son of John Roberts, apothecary of Cowbridge, about 40 years old, had been on 13 voyages to the coast of Guinea, but villainous to the men". For John Roberts see also 56 High St
- 1762 John Thomas late John Gamage, o, ten Robert Cook, half burgage *BR#146*
- 1765 "house of John Thomas, peruke maker" *D/DX75/173*
- 1773 Occ: Robert Copin 3/- *LTA*
- 1784 Owner: R. Copin; occ: R. Copin's wife 4/- (Mary Copin in *BR# 150*) *LTA*
- 1788 Owner: R. Copin; occ: R. Copin's widow 4/- *LTA*
- 1800 Owner and occupier: Mary Copin, 4/- *LTA*
- 1806-16 (Robert and Mary Copin deleted), Mr T Llewellyn, o and occ, half burgage, PO *BR#150*
- 1815 Owner and occupier: Thomas Llewellyn 4/- *LTA*
- 1822 Thomas Llewellyn, tea dealer, maltster, &c *Pigot*
- 1830 Owner and occupier: Thomas Llewellyn 4/- *LTA*
- 1832 Owner and occupier: T Llewellyn, PO *BR#150*
- 1843 Owner and occupier: Ann Llewellyn *Tithe*
- 1851 Ann Llewellyn, 78, Annuitant, maltster and grocer. Born Cowbridge.
with 3 children (John Llewellyn, general medical practitioner, William Llewellyn, Vicar of Penllyn, Eliza Llewellyn, grocer's assistant.)
Census# 123
- 1852 Death of Ann Llewellyn (nee Young - was daughter of Nathaniel and Jane Young) *Parish records*
- 1856 Occupier : Eliza Llewellyn . *Deeds of Sorrento*
- 1861 Eliza Llewellyn, 47, landed proprietor, born Cowbridge,

	with brother John, sister Matilda, niece and servant.	<i>Census #92</i>
1870	Death of Eliza Llewellyn occ, John Llewellyn	<i>GFHS records Deeds of Sorrento</i>
1871	John Llewellyn, 60, general medical practitioner. Born Cowbridge. with niece and servant.	<i>Census # 102</i>
1872	Death of John Llewellyn	<i>GFHS records</i>
1872, 5 th July	Sale of household furniture, property of late Miss Eliza Llewellyn. Included pianoforte, harp, two clocks in mahogany cases, case of stuffed birds. <i>Central Glamorgan Gazette</i>	
1879	Occ, Revd Wm Llewellyn	<i>Deeds of Sorrento</i>
1881	William Llewellyn, 75, Vicar of Penllyne, born Cowbridge, with servant and visitor	<i>Census #265</i>
1891	Death of William Llewellyn	<i>GFHS records</i>
1891	Unoccupied	<i>Census</i>
1895	Occ, William Davies Alexander (from Town Mill)	<i>Deeds of Sorrento</i>
1901	William D Alexander, 47, rate collector, surveyor, sanitary inspector, b Cardiff + w Lydia, 56, b Peterston - s - Ely + dau Charlotte M, 17, student, b Llanblethian	<i>Census# 162</i>
1910	WD Alexander, occ, Revd T Lister, owner, Cartref	<i>D/D PRO/VAL/1/46</i>
1912	Mrs Alexander.	<i>W. Mail Directory</i>
1923	Webbs	<i>Electoral roll</i>
1929	“Since purchase by D Thomas, this has been thoroughly done up, and was occupied by him to his death, now let to Revd Buckley”	<i>PRO VAL IR5 8/18462/323</i>
	Gouldens lived there - there was a well in the passage, with a cover over it	<i>Diana Bird</i>
From 1970s	Polly’s tearooms Mimmos Italian restaurant	
1999	Huddart’s restaurant	

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There are not many houses which can claim to being the one-time home of a peruke maker, but in 1765, John Thomas, peruke (or periwig) maker of Cowbridge, lived in the property on this site. By 1773, it was owned and occupied by a Robert Copin, but strangely in 1784, though Robert still owned the property, it was occupied by 'Robert Copin's wife'. Marital disagreements or not, by 1788, she was his widow, and in 1800, Mary Copin was the owner-ocupier.

Early in the 19th century, the house passed into the hands of the Llewellyn family, initially Thomas and then his widow Ann. They were quite considerable landowners, owning the Bush Inn and surrounding property. In the 1851 census Ann, aged 78, was the head of the household. She had been born in Cowbridge and was described as an annuitant, maltster and grocer; she had her three 'children' living with her - John Llewellyn, a medical practitioner, William, the vicar of Penllyne, and Eliza, described as a 'grocer's assistant'.

By 1861, however, Ann had died and Eliza, now a landed proprietor, was the head of the household, which included John, their sister Matilda, a niece and a servant. John seems to have taken over in 1871; by 1881 the only Llewellyn left in the house was the 75 year-old William who was still the vicar of Penllyne.

The house was unoccupied in 1891, but other residents included Mrs. Alexander in 1912 and the Webbs in 1923. The current use is for Huddart's restaurant.

From 'Cowbridge Buildings and People', CRS publication 1999

Sources/abbreviations :

GRO Glamorgan Record Office

PRO Public Record Office (Kew)

D/D Deeds in GRO

GFHS Glamorgan Family History Society – parish records

Tithe, census, electoral registers, directories – in GRO

BR Burgage rents (GRO)

LTA Land tax assessments (GRO)