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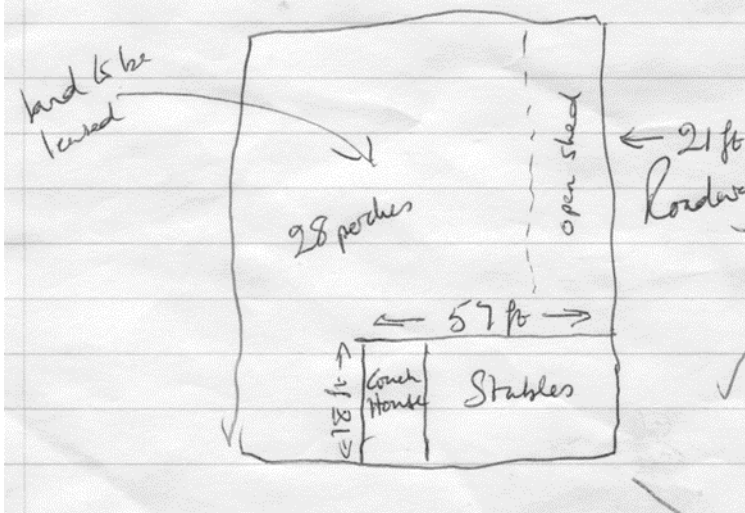
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| Source Abbreviations | |
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| GRO | Glamorgan Record Office |
| Dunraven | Dunraven deeds (GRO or National Library of Wales) |
| D/D | Deposits in GRO |
| LTA | Land tax assessments (GRO) |
| BR | Burgage rents (GRO) |
| | Tithe, census, directories, electoral roll – all in GRO |
| CRS | Cowbridge Record Society (later merged with History Society) |
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| | 47 and 49 High Street | |
| | This was part of Abraham Verity's tenement in 1844, occupied by Joyce Morgan as a house and garden. The census appears to record a succession of shopkeepers here, although it is difficult to separate those occupying the house on High Street from those down the yard. In 1851 the head of household was Elizabeth Morris, in 1861 Thomas Williams, in 1871 William Williams, in 1881 William L. Price; the businesses were (in turn) stationer, shoemaker, linen and woollen draper and general draper. | |
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| | Possibly : | |
| 1637 (13 Charles) | <i>Between Catherine Thomas of Cowbridge, widow, and John Williams, alderman - house and messuage known as John Leason's House, the garden, curtilage, etc now belonging to John Williams</i> | Dunraven 32 |
| 1654 | <i>Between Richard Barry of Cowbridge, cordwainer, and John Williams - messuage or dwelling house in Cowbridge, commonly known as John Leyson's House, as John Wms bought of Catherine Thomas, late great grandmother of Richard Barry (Catherine Thomas had bought it from from Edward ? Palas and William Blake of London)</i> | Dunraven 32 |
| 1681/2 | <i>Between Thos Price and John Wyndham - messuage where *Thomas Price now lives, formerly known as John Leyson's house</i> | Dunraven 32 |
| 1694 | <i>Between Edward Price of London, saddler, son and heir of Thomas Price late of Cowbridge, and John Wyndham - messuage or dwelling house known as *John Lyson's house with garden and curtilage, now let to Richard Jenkins</i> | Dunraven 32 |
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| 1732 | Deed for 51 High St refers to adjoining east *house of Thos Bates (ie 49 HS) | D/D Ed18,19 |
| 1738 | Thomas Bates, alderman, half burgage | BR#139 |
| 1742 | Between Chas Edwin and *Richard Bates, 99 year lease of messuage, and garden, on west house of Richard Bates the elder, on east house of Mary Thomas | Dunraven |
| 1762 | Lady Charlotte Edwin late Thos Bates, freehold, Mrs Bates, tenant | BR#135 |
| 1772 | Lady Edwin owned, Thos Bates occupied | BR#135 |
| 1773 | Jennet Bates, widow, 6/- | LTA |

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| ca 1780 | Chas Edwin esq, half burgage part of Mr Bates, Isaac Skynner tenant | BR#140 |
| 1784 | Charles Edwin, esq owned, Isaac Skinner, occupied, 8/- | LTA |
| 1788 | Chas Edwin, esq, Mrs Simkins, tenant | BR#139 |
| 1800 | “ , Llewelin Llewelin, occ, 8/- | LTA |
| 1815 | Late Thos Wyndham, Esq owner, Mr Ballard, occ, 8/- | LTA |
| 1822 | Lease of dwelling house, shop yard and stable now in possession of Edward Ballard and late of Edward Bates, Viscount Adare to Edward Ballard, 14 years @ £8 pa | Dun 253 |
| 1830 | Lord Adair owned, Ed Ballard, junr. occupied, shop, etc, 8/- | LTA |
| 1843 | Earl of Dunraven owned, Edward Ballard, occupied, warehouse + garden | Tithe |
| 1864 | Countess of Dunraven, o, representatives of late Mr Edward Ballard, ironmonger, decd, occupied | Deeds of no 47 |
| 1866, 23rd June | Caroline, dowager Countess of Dunraven, since deceased, and Windham Thomas, Earl of Dunraven KP | Deeds |
| 1875 | Earl of Dunraven owned, Messrs Ballard, shop and premises | Deeds of no 47 |
| 1879 | Lease, Earl of Dunraven to Mr Lewis Jenkins of land with buildings (30 yrs @ £10 pa), giving Lewis Jenkins right to erect coach house, stables - all that piece of land near the Bear Inn together with the liberty to ingress and egress with horses, cattle, carts and other carriages across the roadway adjoining this piece of land from that now occupied by Lewis Jenkins, wholesale brewer | Dun 289 |
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| | <p>(Left hand building, facing road, has coach house in centre, and stables at right hand side; at left side and behind is the land to be leased, with open sheds at right hand rear.</p> <p>On right hand side of the arch are Mr Jenkins premises at the front; behind is a cartway running west - east, and behind that another building).</p> | |

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| 1880 | Wanted – intelligent, educated youth as apprentice for drapery. Apply : W L Price, Manchester House, Cowbridge. | <i>Central Glamorgan Gazette</i> |
| 1900 | Shop, mineral water manufactory and land or garden in occupation of Mr William Lewis Jenkins | Deeds of no 47 |
| 1913, 24 th June | Conveyance of freehold shop, bottling store, stables and garden, Earl of Dunraven to Mr William Lewis Jenkins of Cambrian House, wine and spirit merchant. Sold by auction at the Bear Hotel. | Deeds |
| 1923, 17 April | William Jenkins died | Deeds |
| 1923, 4 th July | Margaret Kate Jenkins sold to William Hancock and Co. – all that freehold shop and bottling stores, being 49 High Street, bounded on the east by the premises recently belonging to Alfred James. | Deeds |
| 1924, 4 th July | William Hancock and Co. sold to Arthur John, ironmonger, plus the north part of 51 High Street | Deeds |
| 1944, 11 th October | WT John | Deeds |
| 1967 5 th October | David J John | Deeds |
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| | <p>The owners of this property have all been members of families linked to the Dunraven or Wyndham estates from at least 1742, when a house on this site was occupied by Richard Bates, until 1913 when it was bought by William Lewis Jenkins. Members of the Bates family lived here for much of the 18th century - including Dr Richard Bates, doctor to Cowbridge School at a guinea a visit. This building may have once extended further west, especially as that was also a Wyndham/Bates building.</p> <p>In 1815 the property was referred to as a house and shop occupied by Mr Ballard, and in 1830 it was occupied by Edward Ballard junior, an iron-monger, by 1844 being his warehouse. William Lewis Jenkins, the son of Lewis Jenkins of the next-door brewery (and who became a JP, and mayor in 1917 and 1918) bought the property at auction in 1913, having occupied it since 1900. He manufactured and bottled aerated water and lemonade, sealing the bottle necks with marbles. The green glass bottles embossed with the word Cymedroldeb (Temperance) can still be seen from time to time in Cowbridge. The bottling store was behind the shop where wines, spirits and bottled ales and stout were sold.</p> <p>The plot was bought by Arthur John in 1924, and for many years the building was used as a storehouse. This has now been replaced by an arcade leading to a courtyard near the Wool Bam. The front part is occupied by Robert E Lloyd opticians, and the rear by Shape hairdressers.</p> | <i>Cowbridge Buildings & People – CRS publication 1999</i> |
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