

LINCOLNSHIRE (Parts of LINDSEY)






Lindsey is the largest of the three traditional divisions of Lincolnshire, and it is bordered to the south by the Parts of Holland and the Parts of Kesteven. To the west it is bordered by Nottinghamshire and the West Riding of Yorkshire, and to the north by the East Riding (across the River Humber). To the east lies the North Sea.

The Parts of Lindsey contained seventeen wapentakes, arranged in two subdivisions for administrative purposes. The Kirton subdivision comprised the north-western parts and the Louth and Spilsby subdivision the southern parts. A county police force for the whole of Lincolnshire was set up in 1857, and took over responsibility for the weights and measures. In Lindsey there were eight police districts, based on the petty sessional divisions. After the introduction of the uniform numbering system in 1879, Lindsey used nine numbers, one of the districts being split.

The city of Lincoln was one of the greatest cities in England, and a county in itself. There was also separate jurisdiction in the ancient boroughs of Grimsby and Louth, which continued in the twentieth century. There were two anomalous manorial jurisdictions, Alford and the 'Bail of Lincoln', both of which had standards and functioned briefly in the nineteenth century.

The major industries were agriculture and fishing. Many of the market towns, including Alford, Brigg, Gainsborough, Horncastle, Market Rasen, and Spilsby had ironmongers who sold all kinds of agricultural machinery, including scales and weights. In Lincoln there were quite large firms, such as Reville's, founded in 1780.

A: Inspection by the County of LINCOLNSHIRE (Parts of LINDSEY)

Dates	Events	Marks	Comments
1795			Lindsey had two divisions: <i>Kirton</i> (or <i>NW</i>) and <i>South</i> .
1825	One set of standards [26] verified for the South division; a set [97] for the Kirton division in 1826.		The letter S has been seen stamped below the shield mark. It may stand for the South division, or for Thomas Shepherd.
1834	One short set of standards [470] verified for the South division		
1835	2 inspectors appointed, based in Spilsby and Gainsborough.	 LINDSEY	<i>Louth and Spilsby:</i> Thomas Allenby (1824-31) Thomas Hollis (1834-58)
1853	Full set of standards [1110] issued for Lindsey		<i>Kirton (North West)</i> <i>(Gainsborough):</i> William Ostler (1826-30) Edward Fowler (1830-34) Christopher Rogers (1834-40) Francis Moxon (1841-58)
			Also: <i>Caistor:</i> John Shepherd (-1835) Thomas Shepherd (1835-57) <i>Market Rasen (Walshcroft):</i> James Baxter (1835-46) Francis Harrison (1846-56) James Baxter (1857-58)
1857	Police force set up. There were 12 police divisions in Lindsey.		<i>Bradley Haverstoe:</i> George Lamming (1847)
1858	4 sets of standards [1248-51] for Lindsey, issued to Chief Constable. The total now in Lindsey was 8, as required for the inspection districts.		The police divisions numbered 1-8 below are those listed as having inspectors from 1858 through to 1879.
1860	Short set of standards [1295] issued		
1867	WM duties performed by police officers, of whom 8 were inspectors and 4 examiners [Returns].		



¶ A 4oz bronze weight, showing the earliest Lindsey mark.

Lincolnshire, LINDSEY.
NOTICE is hereby given, that **MODELS** and **COPIES** of all the **STANDARDS** of **LENGTH**, **WEIGHT**, **MEASURE**, and of each of the **Parts** of the **Multiplies** thereof, have, according to the Act of the 6th Geo. 4th, chap. 74, been procured for the use of the **Louth** and **Spilsby** Sub-division of the said **Parts**, all of which have been sized and sealed by the **Standard Weights** and **Measures** in his Majesty's **Exchequer** at **Westminster**, and the same are placed for custody and inspection with **Mr. THOMAS ALLENBY**, of **Alford**, who will attend with the same at the times and places following: viz. at **SPILSBY**, on **Monday** and **Tuesday** the 30th and 31st instant; at **LOUTH**, on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** the 1st and 2d February next; at **SALT-FLEET**, on **Friday** the 3d; at **ALFORD**, on **Monday** and **Tuesday** the 6th and 7th; at **BURGH**, on **Wednesday** the 8th; at **WAINFLEET**, on **Thursday** and **Friday** the 9th and 10th; at **NEW BOLINGBROOKE**, on **Monday** the 13th; at **TATTERSHALL**, on **Tuesday** the 14th; at **HORNCASTLE**, on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** the 15th and 16th; and at **WRAGBY**, on **Friday** and **Saturday** the 17th and 18th.
 And all persons in the said **Louth** and **Spilsby** Sub-division of the said **Parts**, are required to attend at the times and places above-mentioned, to have their **Weights** and **Measures** adjusted. **JO. BRACKENBURY**,
 January. 1826. - Clerk of the Peace.

¶ Advertisement taken from the Stamford Mercury, 27 January, 1826, p. 2.

Lincolnshire, LINDSEY.
NOTICE is hereby given, that **Models** and **Copies** OF ALL THE **STANDARDS** of **LENGTH**, **WEIGHT**, **MEASURE**, and of each of the parts of the **Multiplies** thereof, have, according to the Act of the 6th Geo. the 4th, chap. 74, been procured for the use of the **Kirton** Sub-Division of the said **Parts** of **Lindsey**, all of which have been sized and sealed by the **Standard Weights** and **Measures** in his Majesty's **Exchequer** at **Westminster**, and the same are placed for custody and inspection with **Mr. WM. OSTLER NICHOLSON**, of **Brigg**, who will attend with the same at the times and places following: viz. at **BRIGG**, on **Friday** and **Saturday** the 28th and 29th instant; at **WINTERTON**, on **Monday** and **Tuesday** the 1st and 2d of May; at **CROWLE**, on **Friday** and **Saturday** the 5th and 6th; at **ERWORTH**, on **Monday** and **Tuesday** the 8th and 9th; at **GAINSBOROUGH**, on **Friday**, **Saturday**, and **Monday**, the 12th, 13th, and 15th; at **KIRTON**, on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** the 16th and 17th; at **SPITTLE**, on **Friday** and **Saturday** the 19th and 20th; at **LINCOLN**, on **Monday**, **Tuesday**, and **Wednesday**, the 22d, 23d, and 24th; at **RAISEN**, on **Friday** and **Saturday** the 26th and 27th; at **CAISTOR**, on **Monday** and **Tuesday** the 29th and 30th; at **TETNEY**, on **Friday** and **Saturday** the 2d and 3d of June; at **GRIMSBY**, on **Monday** and **Tuesday** the 5th and 6th; and at **BARTON**, on **Friday** and **Saturday** the 9th and 10th.—And all persons in the said **Kirton** Sub-Division of the said **Parts** are required to attend at the times and places above-mentioned, to have their **Weights** and **Measures** adjusted. **JO. BRACKENBURY**,
 Clerk of the Peace for the said **Parts** of **Lindsey**.
Spilsby, April 1826.

¶ Advertisement taken from the Stamford Mercury, 21 April, 1826, p. 2.



¶ A 1/2 oz brass weight, showing the Lincolnshire, Parts of Lindsey No 1 and the later Lincolnshire, Parts of Lindsey marks.

PARTS of LINDSEY,
LINCOLNSHIRE.

WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Notice is hereby given,

That FRANCIS MOXON, Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Kirton Subdivision of the Parts of Lindsey, duly appointed pursuant to the Act 5 and 6, Will. IV. cap. 68, will attend with the Copies of the Imperial Standard Weights and Measures, verified and stamped at the Exchequer, provided for the use of the said Subdivision, for the purpose of examining, comparing, and stamping all Weights and Measures in use within the same, that have not been already examined, compared, and stamped, at the several Places and Times following, viz.

At Messrs. Smith & Young's, Grimsby, on Wednesday, August 10, 1858.

At Mr. Pearce's, Ironmonger, Caistor, on Thursday, Aug. 11th.

At the Cross Keys Inn, Winterton, on Wednesday, August 17th.

At the George Inn, Barton-upon-Humber, on Thursday, Aug. 18th.

At Mr. E. Smith's, Ironmonger, Brigg, on Friday, August 19th.

At the George Inn, Kirton, on Saturday, August 20th.

At the Lion and Snake Inn, Lincoln, on Wednesday, August 24th.

At the Crown Inn, Glentham, on Thursday, August 25th.

At the Red Lion Inn, Crowle, on Wednesday, August 31st.

At Mr. Key's, Ironmonger, Epworth, on Thursday, September 1st.

At his Residence, Market-place, Gainsborough, any day after the 2nd of September.

Persons wishing to have their Weights adjusted, had better take advantage of the present opportunity.

Attendance each day from Ten o'clock in the Morning till Four in the Afternoon.

PENALTY £5.

Any Person who shall use any unstamped Weights or Measures, or other than those authorized by the above Act, is liable to a Penalty of FIVE POUNDS.

By Order,

FRANCIS MOXON,

GAINSBOROUGH, July 22nd, 1858.

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Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Kirton Subdivision of the Parts of Lindsey.

SKELTON, PRINTER, MARKET-PLACE, GRIMSBY.

¶ Notice of Attendance of Francis Moxon, Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Kirton subdivision of the Parts of Lindsey (1841-58), taken from *Fulcrum*, No 15.

Dates	Events	Marks	Comments
Police officers as inspectors and examiners 1857-79 [1860 Returns; 1861, 68 PO, 1872 White]			
<i>1 Spilsby and Alford</i> James Strugnell (1858-63) Robert Wright (1863-72) Alfred Richdale (1872-79&) <i>Alford</i> John Hawkesworth (ex) (1859-60) Thomas Wynne (ex)(1861-64) John Allingham (ex) (1864-66) George Jarvis (ex)(1866-68) Thomas Stevenitt (1868-70) Thomas Danby (1872-73) Andrew Veitch (1873-76) George Stennett (1876-79&) <i>2 Louth and Grimsby</i> James Martyn (1858-61-) William Roberts (-1863-) Walter Woolven (1866-68) George Jarvis (1868-70) John Fuller (ex)(1870-73) W. Smith (ex) (1876-79&) <i>Grimsby</i> John Loverock (ex) (1859-61) Thomas Barsby (1861-63) Walter Woolven (1863-66) Alfred Richdale (1866-1872) William Gregg (1872-76) George Jarvis (1876-79&)	<i>3 Brigg and Barton</i> John Scanlon (1858-60) George Eady (1861-64/5) Henry Knight (1865-69) Thomas Stevenitt (1870-73) Thomas Danby (1873-79&) <i>Barton</i> Richard Pearmain (1859-61) John Loverock (ex) (1861-64) William Thorsby (ex) (1864-72-) Stevens (-1870-) John Fuller (1873-79) <i>4 Horncastle with Bardney</i> John Leaper (1858-62) John Thorsby (1862-72) George Jarvis (1872-76) George Truelove (1876-1879) <i>5 Market Rasen and Wragby</i> John Thorsby(1858-61) Thomas Barsby (1863-70) William Henson (1870-79&) <i>Wragby</i> W. Smith (ex)(1871-76)	<i>6 Lincoln North</i> George Eady (1857-61) Stephen Pidgeon (1862-65) William Keep (1865-71) John Taylor (1878-79&) <i>7 Winterton and Epworth</i> James Asling (1857-65/6) George Truelove (1866-70) Joseph Wells (1870-76) Andrew Veitch (1876-78) William Dain (1878-79&) <i>Epworth</i> Henry Tooms (1858-61) William Hebditch (1861-66) William Henson (1866-70) George Truelove (1870-72) Richard Sowden (1872-76) Edwin Crawford (1876-79&) <i>8 Gainsborough</i> James Fraser (1859-64) Thomas Wynne (1864-69) George Jarvis (1870-1872) George Truelove (1872-76) Richard Sowden (1876-78) Andrew Veitch (1878-79&)	



¶ Detail from a 4oz brass weight, showing the LL No5 and LL137 marks of the Market Rasen and Wragby district.


LINCOLNSHIRE CONSTABULARY.—LINDSEY.
NOTICE is hereby given, that by appointment of the Court of Quarter Sessions, the several INSPECTORS of WEIGHTS and MEASURES will attend at the undermentioned Market Towns and other places on the days and dates specified below, for the purpose of Comparing, Adjusting, and Stamping such Weights and Measures as shall be brought to them, in the manner and form prescribed by the Acts 5th and 6th William 4th, cap. 63, and 22d and 23d Vic., cap. 56.

DISTRICT No. 1.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Divisions of SPILSBY and ALFORD.
Place of Attendance. Day and Date.
 Alford, Police Station Friday and Sat., Nov. 11 & 12
 Spilsby, White Hart Tuesday & Wed., „ 15 & 16
 Hogthorpe, Saracen's Head Tuesday „ 22d
 Burgh, White Hart Thursday „ 24th
 Wainfleet, Angel Inn Saturday „ 26th
 Stickney, Nag's Head Tuesday „ 29th
DISTRICT No. 2.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Divisions of LOUTH & GREAT GRIMSBY.
 Tetney, Plough Inn Thursday Nov. 17th
 Grimsby, County Police Stat. Friday „ 18th
 Saltfleet, New Inn Monday „ 21st
 Louth, County Police Station, Wednesday „ 23d
DISTRICT No. 3.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Divisions of BRIGG and BARTON.
 Brigg, Police Station Friday & Mon., Nov. 11 & 14
 Barton, Police Station Wed. & Friday „ 16 & 18
 Ulceby, Brocklesby Ox Monday „ 21st
 Caistor, Talbot Inn Wed. & Friday „ 23 & 25
DISTRICT No. 4.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Divisions of HORNCASTLE with BARDNEY.
 Coningsby, Swan Inn Monday Nov. 14th
 Tetford, White Hart Thursday „ 17th
 Bardney, Angel Inn Monday „ 21st
 Horncastle, Police Station Wednesday „ 23d
DISTRICT No. 5.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Divisions of MARKET RASEN & WRAGBY.
 Market Rasen, Police Station, Tuesday Nov. 15th
 Wragby, Police Station, Thursday „ 17th
 Binbrooke Wednesday „ 23d
DISTRICT No. 6.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Division of LINCOLN.
 Spital, New Inn Monday Nov. 28th
 Lincoln, County Police Station, Guildhall-street Tuesday & Wed., 29th & 30th
 Saxilby, Masons' Arms Friday Nov. 29th
DISTRICT No. 7.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Division of WINTERTON and EPWORTH.
 Epworth, Police Station Monday Nov. 14th
 Crowle, Darby & Joan Inn Tuesday „ 15th
 Winterton, Police Station Wednesday „ 23d
 Broughton, Red Lion Friday „ 25th
 Brigg, Police Station Monday „ 29th
DISTRICT No. 8.—Comprising the Petty Sessional Division of GAINSBOROUGH.
 Gainsborough Town-hall Tuesday & Wed., Nov. 15 & 16
 Ditto, ditto Monday „ 21st
 Ditto, ditto Tuesday „ 22d
 Kirton, Unicorn Wednesday „ 23d
Chief Constable's Office, Lincoln, Oct. 26th, 1859.

LINCOLNSHIRE CONSTABULARY.
WEIGHTS and MEASURES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by Appointment of the Court of Quarter Sessions, the several Inspectors of Weights and Measures will attend at the under-mentioned Places on the Days and Dates specified below for the purpose of COMPARING and STAMPING (if found correct) all such WEIGHTS and MEASURES as shall be brought to them for that purpose in the manner and form prescribed by the Act 41 and 42 Vic., cap 49 :—

DISTRICT No. 135.
Place of Attendance. Day and Date.
 Hogthorpe, Bell Inn Thursday, 14th May, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Alford, Police Station Tuesday, 26th May, at 8 a.m., for Country.
 Ditto, ditto Wednesday, 27th May, at 8 a.m., for Town.
 Burgh, Police Station Friday, 29th May, at 9 a.m.
 Stickney, ditto Thursday, 4th June, at 8 a.m.
 Wainfleet, ditto Tuesday 9th June, at 8 a.m.
 Spilsby, ditto Thursday, 11th June, 8 a.m.
DISTRICT No. 134.
 North Somercotes, Bay Horse Inn Tuesday, 12th May, at 9 a.m.
 Louth, County Police Station Wednesday, 18th May, 9 a.m.
 North Thoresby, Granby Inn Thursday, 14th May, 9 a.m.
 Ditto, ditto Friday, 15th May, at 9 a.m., for Farmers.
 Cleothorpes, Police Station Wednesday, 20th May, at 9 a.m., for Trade.
 Cleo, ditto Thursday, 21st May, at 9 a.m.
 Grimsby, County Police Station Friday, 22d May, at 9 a.m.
 Ditto, ditto Thursday, 28th May, at 9 a.m., for Farmers.
DISTRICT No. 138.
 Barton, Police Station Monday, 15th June, at 9 a.m., for Country.
 Ditto, ditto Tuesday, 16th June, at 9 a.m., for Town.
 Ulceby, Fox Inn Wednesday, 17th June, 9 a.m.
 Caistor, Talbot Inn Monday, 22d June, at 9 a.m.
 Brigg, Police Station Wednesday, 24th June, at 9 a.m., for Town.
 Ditto, ditto Monday, 29th June, at 9 a.m., for Country.
DISTRICT No. 139.
 Coningsby, Swan Inn Monday, 18th May, at 8 a.m.
 Bardney, Angel Inn Wednesday, 20th May, 8 a.m.
 Tetford, White Hart Inn Monday, 26th May, at 8 a.m.
 Horncastle, Police Station Tuesday, 26th May, at 8 a.m., for Country.
 Ditto, ditto Wednesday, 27th May, at 8 a.m., for Retail Dealers in Town.
 Ditto, ditto Thursday, 28th May, at 8 a.m., for Merchants.
DISTRICT No. 137.
 Wragby, Police Station Monday, 8th June, at 9 a.m.
 Market Rasen, ditto Tuesday, 9th June, at 9 a.m.
 Ditto, ditto Wednesday, 10th June, 9 a.m.
 Binbrook, ditto Thursday, 11th June, 9 a.m.
DISTRICT No. 129.
 Spital, Cosenby Corner, New Inn Monday, 1st June, at 9 a.m.
 Saxilby, Sun Inn Tuesday, 2d June, at 9 a.m.
 Scothern, Bottle & Glass Inn Wednesday, 3d June, 9 a.m.
 Lincoln, County Police Station, Monson-street Friday, 5th June, at 9 a.m.
DISTRICT No. 143.
 Epworth, Police Station Monday, 11th May, at 8 a.m.
 Haxey, Duke William Inn Tuesday, 12th May, at 8 a.m.
 Crowle, White Hart Inn Wednesday, 13th May, at 8 a.m., for Country.
 Ditto, ditto Thursday, 14th May, at 8 a.m., for Town.
DISTRICT No. 136.
 Kirton Lindsey, Black Swan Inn Wednesday, 3d June, at 9 a.m.
 Scotter, White Swan Inn Thursday, 4th June, at 9 a.m.
 Gainsborough, Police Station Friday, 5th June, at 9 a.m., for Country.
 Ditto, ditto Wednesday, 10th June, at 9 a.m., for Merchants.
 Ditto, ditto Thursday, 11th June, at 9 a.m., for Retail Dealers.
DISTRICT No. 141.
 Winterton, Police Station Monday, 18th May, at 10 a.m., for Farmers.
 Ditto, ditto Tuesday, 19th May, at 9 a.m., for Shopkeepers.
 Scunthorpe, Furnace Arms Inn Wednesday, 20th May, at 9 a.m., for Town.
 Ashby, Crown Inn Monday, 15th June, at 9 a.m., for Country.




Dates	Events	Marks	Comments
1879	Numbers 129-143 issued for Lincolnshire. In Lindsey, the numbers 129, 134-139, 141 and 143 were assigned to the districts as shown.		
Police officers as inspectors and examiners 1879-89 [SM, LC]			
<i>129 Lincoln North</i> John Taylor (&1879-81) George Truelove (1881-89)	<i>136 Gainsborough</i> Andrew Veitch (&1879-84) Henry Osborn (1884-89)	<i>138 Brigg and Barton Barton</i> Thomas Danby (&1879-89) George Ward (1879-89)	
<i>134 Grimsby and Louth</i> George Jarvis (&1879-83) George Stennett (1883-89) <i>Louth</i> W. Smith (ex) (&1879-80) Charles Cadge (ex) (1881-85) Alfred Rippin (ex) (1885-89)	<i>137 Market Rasen</i> William Henson (&1879-81) George Morritt (1881-89) <i>Wragby</i> Henry Osborn (ex) (1881-84) William Dain (ex)(1884) William Wood (ex) (1884-89)	<i>139 Horncastle with Bardney</i> Thomas Stevenitt (1880-89) <i>141 Winterton</i> William Dain (&1879-84) Andrew Veitch (1884) William Dain (1884-89)	
<i>135 Spilsby and Alford</i> Alfred Richdale (&1879-80) Richard Sowden (1880-89) <i>Alford</i> George Stennett (&1879-83) Henry Costar (1883-89)		<i>143 Epworth</i> Edwin Crawford (&1879-80) John Taylor (1881-89)	



¶ An 8 oz brass weight showing the progression of the Lindsey marks for the Spilsby and Alford region (District No 1 and No 135 (see above)).

¶ Detail of an 8oz brass weight, showing the LL136 mark of the Gainsborough district, together with the post 1899 528 mark, again of the Gainsborough district.



Dates	Events	Marks	Comments
1889	Lindsey CC established.		<i>Qualified Inspectors:</i> Gainsborough 528
1890	Two inspectors qualified; Nos.528 and 529 issued.		William Proctor (q1890-1901) [MR 01:130] (John Barham, ex CC Louth (1901))
1896	Two districts: Gainsborough 528 Louth 529 Each IWM allowed an assistant from the police force		Thomas G. Roberts (q1890/1 in Wakefield, 1901-1929) [MR 01:199, 29:163] T.A. McLaughlin (1930-48) R. Sainsbury (1949-59) G.C. Cartwright (1959-70-) [MR: 59:96]
1937	A new office was established in Market Rasen, using No.129.		
1950	Nos. 129, 528, 529 in use.		Louth 529 George Kennie (q1890-1926) William J. Wilcox (1927-59) [MR 27:168, 59:72]
1974	Some areas of Lindsey transferred to new Humberside CC; rest to Lincolnshire CC.		Market Rasen 129 Thomas W. Taylor (1933-37) R. Sainsbury (1937-48) <i>Chief Inspectors</i> Philip B. Bicknell (1890-1902) Charles M.E. Brinkley (1902-3) Cecil Mitchell-Innes (1903-31) R. Sainsbury (1959-73) [MR 59:96, 73:154]. K.G. Shaw (1973-74) K. Ellington (1974-)

**B: Localities with separate jurisdiction in the County of LINCOLNSHIRE
(Parts of LINDSEY)**

Locality	Status	Marks		Dates & Notes
		Non-uniform	Number pre-1951	

Alford: a set of standards [1048], for the use of the Court Leet, was verified for the Lord of the Manor in 1850 [LCNLL: 1973/506: illustration of the standards, with the largest weight marked Manor of Alford, kept in a shagreen case, with a domed hinged lid.] In 1852, the Court Leet “perambulated” the town, insisting that potatoes, etc should be sold by weight and not heaped measure [SM: 12/11/52], whilst in 1853, light weights and short measures were found [LC: 11/11/53]. They reportedly met again in 1856 [SM: 7/11/56] and 57 [LC: 20/11/57]; on the latter occasion, the weight adjuster, Mr Robert Mason, ironmonger, who had been appointed in March of that year, was asked to resign. In a test case in 1859 [SM: 24/6/59], the authority of the county inspector, Supt Strugnell, to test the WM was challenged. The Court Leet ceded the right to stamp weights but claimed the right to inspect. The ruling went against the Court Leet.. The standards were reverified in 1860, probably following their transfer to the county.

Grimsby	AncBo MB:1835 CB:1890		532	s:1826 r:1868 [304] n:1890-1974
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In 1834/5 the inspector was Edward Ward, clockmaker. The borough police force was formed in 1846, when Joseph Tomlinson, the keeper of the borough gaol, was elected keeper of the WM, in the room of James Marris, who had resigned [LC: 6/2/46]. He was again listed as IWM in 1851 [White], the year of his death [SM:31/1/51]. The chief constable appointed in 1853, Isaac Anson, was listed as IWM in 1856 [White]; he retired as chief constable in 1859 but, after some confusion, continued to act as IWM [SM: 6-27/5/59]; he was still active as IWM in 1884 [SM: 30/5/84]. William Skelton was appointed to the vacant office of IWM in 1889 [SM: 2/8/89]; in 1890, the BoT was asked to allow him to act as adjuster too [SM: 12/12/90]. Unqualified, he continued in post until his death in 1901 [SM: 22/3/01]. John Shepherd was appointed his assistant in 1896 [SM: 21/2/96], and was effectively the IWM, following his qualification.

Thus the first qualified IWM was John Shepherd ((q1896/7) 1901-28), who continued to act as an IWM when inspection passed to the police in 1919. Horace R. Berrett (q1915/20 in Oldham), was appointed in 1919 as Inspector of Police and IWM, continuing until 1934. In that year a new Chief Constable was appointed, Frank Bunn (CC 1934-36); he was also a qualified IWM and assumed the position of chief inspector, although Berrett continued to take charge in practice.

In 1946 F.M. Bucknall resigned from the police force to become the first civilian chief inspector. The WM department remained nominally under the control of the chief constable until 1949, when all links with the police were finally severed [MR 50:3]. Bucknall remained in charge until 1974 when Grimsby became a District within the new County of Humberside [MR 75:3].




¶ A ½ oz brass weight, with the non-uniform mark for Grimsby.

¶ A penny test token used by the Grimsby Weights and Measures, for Department, for person-weighing machines.



¶ Detail from a 4oz bronze weight, showing the Lincoln shield, probably dating from the period 1835-60, together with an earlier crowned GR mark.

Locality	Status	Marks		Dates & Notes
		Non-uniform	Number pre-1951	
Lincoln	CCorp MB:1835 CB:1888		297	s:1826 r:1864 [207] n:1879-1974

The mark also occurs with the superscriptions LINCOLN or CITY OF LINCOLN.

Richard Clarke was appointed as inspector under the Act of 1834, but had died by 1836 [*SM*: 20/5/36]. Benjamin Asman was appointed in his stead and acted until his death in 1841 [*SM*: 21/5/41]. George Cropper was then appointed as IWM [*LC*: 30/7/41]; by 1859, he was unable to do the job effectively [*SM*: 18/3/59] and later that year died [*LC*: 30/12/59]. His son, Robert Cropper, had acted as his assistant but died in 1853, aged 38 [*LC*: 2/12/53].

Throughout this period, the Lincoln Court Leet had been actively inspecting the weights and measures, but their right to do more than inspect had always been questioned [e.g. *SM*: 6/10/37, 30/4/47, 18/11/59]. They themselves recognised the need for an efficient IWM.

This came when James Handley (CC 1859-68) was appointed IWM in 1859 [*LC*: 29/7/59]. The advertisement for his successor included the WM work [*LC*: 23/4/69]; the appointment of William Mansell (CC 1869-1901) as IWM was sealed that year [*LC*: 18/6/69]. DI Hockney was appointed his assistant in 1888 [*SM*: 21/9/88]. James (William) Bradley qualified in 1890/1 and was promoted to sergeant so that he might act as assistant IWM [*SM*: 6/2/91]. In practice, Bradley was the IWM, with Mansell writing up the accounts from Bradley's "rough books". When Mansell resigned in 1901, the advertisement for his successor as Chief Constable and IWM explicitly stated that the appointee did not need to be a qualified inspector. Bradley served until his retirement in 1905 [*MR* 05: 343].

In 1906, Daniel Dunglinson (q 1905/6 in Cumberland) was appointed sergeant and IWM in the City Police Force, from fifteen certificated applicants [*SM*: 31/8/06]. Ill-health forced his resignation so that, in 1912 [*Hbk*], Gilbert Moody (q 1908 in Northumberland) was listed as the IWM, but Daniel Dunglinson was reappointed and served for several months prior to his death in 1913 [*MR*: 14:3].

H. S. Gossling was the first civilian inspector, appointed in 1914 [*MR*: 14:55], who stayed until 1926 [*MR* 26:83]. Subsequent inspectors were: W.L. Harris (appointed 1925, chief 1926-56), J. H. Craig (appointed 1930, chief 1956-61) [*MR* 61:23], and W.E. Sendall (1961-74) [*MR* 79:188].

The **Bail of Lincoln**, a part of the Duchy of Lancaster, was the part of the city, which included the county gaol and courts, and was therefore regarded as part of Lindsey. Standards [230] were obtained in 1826, but they were officially transferred to the county in 1836, under the Act 6&7 Will.IV c.103. Despite this, the Bail Leet Jury still met to inspect the WM [*SM*: 22/10/41, 18/5/49, 13/10/54, 26/10/55]. In 1860 [*SM*: 23/11/60] the right of the City IWM to inspect in the Bail was challenged and the then steward ensured that the ancient right of the Bail to inspect was upheld [*SM*: 30/1/63]. With a new steward in post, the standards were finally handed over to the City authorities in 1866 [*SM*: 16/3/66].

WEIGHTS & MEASURES.—*BAIL of LINCOLN.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that SETS of the several WEIGHTS, MEASURES, and SCALES after-mentioned, have been sized and sealed by the Standard Weights and Measures in his Majesty's Exchequer at Westminster, and procured for the use of the BAIL of LINCOLN:—viz.

Avoirdupoise.—One brass weight 56 pounds, one of 28 pounds, one of 14 pounds, one of 7 pounds, one of 4 pounds, one of 2 pounds, one of 1 pound, one of 8 ounces, one of 4 ounces, one of 2 ounces, one of 1 ounce, one of 8 drachms, one of 4 drachms, one of 2 drachms, one of 1 drachm, and one of $\frac{1}{2}$ a drachm; and three pairs of beams and scales.

Imperial Measures.—One measure of a gallon, one of half a gallon, one of a quart, one of a pint, one of half a pint, one of a gill, and one of half a gill.

And such Weights, Measures, and Scales are now remaining in my Office, for the purpose of adjusting the Weights and Measures used within the Bail and Liberty of the Castle of Lincoln, parcel of the Duchy of Lancaster.—Any persons residing in the County of Lincoln, and within a convenient distance, may have the privilege of using the same.


JOHN MAY BROMEHEAD,
James-street, 24th April, 1826. Steward of the Bail of Lincoln.

¶ An advertisement giving details of the Weights, Measures and Scales for use in the Bail of Lincoln, that appeared in the Stamford Mercury, 28 April, 1826, p. 2.

¶ Detail from a 1oz brass weight, showing both Lindsey and the City of Lincoln marks



¶ A 1lb brass weight, showing three shields, one framed by the alternative wording CITY LINCOLN.

Locality	Status	Marks		Dates & Notes
		Non-uniform	Number pre-1951	
Louth	AncBo MB:1835 cp		232	s:1834 r:1865 [467] n:1879-1965dis

The inspector appointed under the 1834 Act was William Heath. Dilatory at first [*SM*: 24/9/44], he was then active until his death in 1849 [*LC*: 14/12/49]. John Tacey, the chief constable of the borough force was appointed as IWM [28/12/49] and continued in post until he was removed from office in 1866 on the grounds of physical incapacity [*SM*: 16/2/66]. The post then went to his successor as chief constable, William Roberts (CC 1866-78), who, in turn, was followed by William Lloyd (CC 1878-86).

James T. Enright (CC 1886-91) qualified in 1890, before moving to Rotherham, and John W. Barham (CC1891-1901) qualified in 1892/3; in 1895, he was recognised by the BoT as an adjuster [*SM*: 13/12/95]. His successor as Chief Constable, Arthur Danby, served as IWM for a year but did not qualify so that, after an initial year's trial [*SM*: 14/11/02], from 1903 onwards the borough employed the same inspector as the county [*MR* 04: 6]. George Kennie served until his death in 1926 and W. J. Wilcox from 1927 to 1959. The county and borough authorities were formally combined in 1959 [*MR* 59:96], and in 1965 Louth was disqualified under the terms of the Act of 1963.



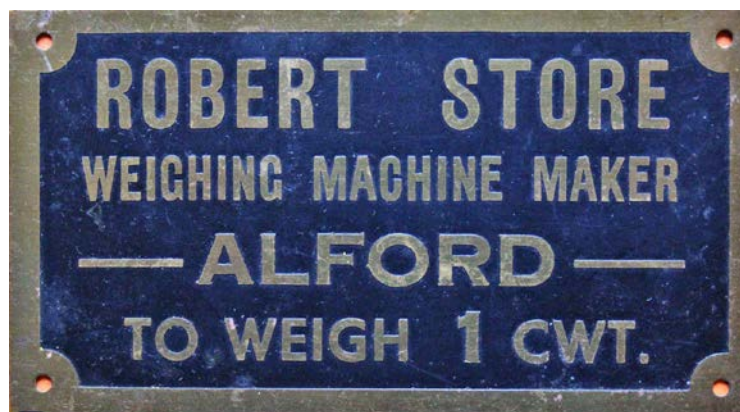
¶ A 1oz brass weight, stamped in Louth, at the time of William IV and of Victoria.

¶ A 1oz brass weight, carrying the non-uniform mark, stamped at the time of William IV, and the number 232, stamped during the reign of Edward VII.



C: The trade in Lincolnshire (Parts of LINDSEY)

ALFORD	
Handley	Thomas Handley, machine maker [1855 PO] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• South End <1855>
Mason	Robert Mason advertised “weighing machines of all sorts, ...scales and weights, ...having manufactured and sold upwards of 1700” in 1856 [SM: 21/11/56]. Listed as Mason & Sons, ironmongers and weighing machine and agricultural implement makers [1872 W] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Market Place <1872>
Barnes	M Barnes, weighing machine maker [1868 PO] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• South Bridge <1868>
Store	Robert Store, weighing machine manufacturer, was first listed in 1885 [1885, K]. For the period 1913-22, Kelly listed the company under the executors but, in 1930, W. Lacey was cited as the proprietor. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• South End <1885-1922>• Providence Place <1926-1930>
Lewis	J. Lewis, a gunsmith, advertised that he repaired and adjusted weighing machines [SM: 13/2/91]



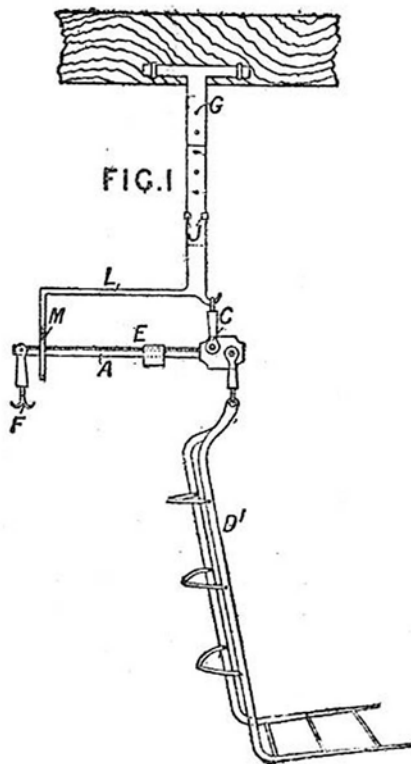
¶ Plate from a weighing machine

BRIGG

Smith	Edward Smith, ironmonger and bar-iron merchant, advertised weighing machines and weights from 1854 - 58 [SM: 17&24/11/54, 30/4/58].
Hart	J. Hart & Sons advertised weighing machines in 1868 [K]. • Ancholme Iron Works <1868>
Sowerby	James Sowerby was listed as a weighing machine maker in 1892 [W]. In 1894, he patented a scale, with a sliding weight, together with loose ones (8948) • Bigby St <1892>

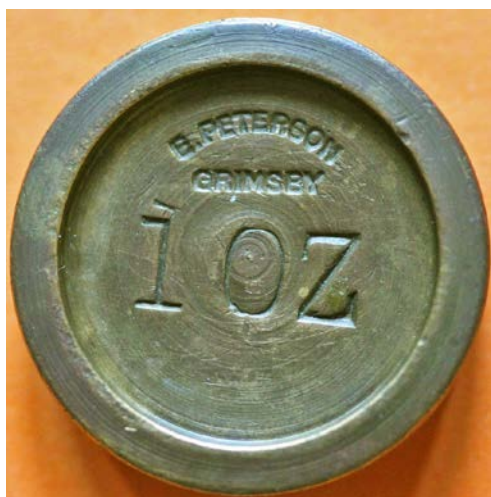
8948. Sowerby, J. H. May 5.

Steelyard apparatus is chiefly for use in weighing coal, hay, straw, &c., and consists of a steelyard A suspended at C and carrying a sliding weight E and hooks F for loose weights; a convenient form of skip D¹ is provided for holding the straw &c. while being weighed. The steelyard is suspended from the ceiling by means of a T-bar G made in two parts connected by pins P and a clip J; a horizontal extension L with an eye M prevents the lever A from tilting too far,



¶ Abstract of the patent for the Sowerby scale.

	GAINSBOROUGH
Sutton	F. Sutton, ironmonger, advertised London-made weighing machines and weights but also that he stamped and adjusted weights in 1841 [SM: 5/11/41]. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornmarket <1841>
Farmer & Page	This company of iron merchants, iron founders and ironmongers advertised weighing machines and weights in 1842 [SM: 22/4/42].
Smith	Frederick George Smith, wholesale ironmonger, advertised weighing machines, scales and weights for sale in 1848 [SM: 1/12/48], through to 1863 [SM: 25/9/63]. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market Place <1850-57> • The Anvil, Market Place <1863> By 1869, the executors of the firm were advertising Avery's weighing machines [M].
Johnson	R. Johnson was working as a weighing machine manufacturer in 1901 [EC], whilst Johnson and Son was listed in 1910 [Hbk]. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church St <1901-10>
Avery	First noted 1905 [K] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <1905> • 19 Church St <1908-1937> • 21 Church St <1954-72>
Baines	H. Baines was listed in 1910 as a scalemaker [Hbk].



¶ Two Peterson weights, illustrating the two forms of the E Peterson mark.

	GRIMSBY
Smith & Young	Smith and Young, ironmongery warehouse, advertised weighing machines and weights in 1853 [SM: 25/11/53].
Lundie	W. Lundie, furnishing and general ironmonger, advertised weighing machines and weights, in 1859 [LNLA: 18/6/59-3/9/59]. • 10, Market Place <1859>
Barton	Charles Emerson Barton, weighing machine manufacturer [1885 K] • Providence Works, Eastgate and Fish Dock <1885> (see ad) • Eleanor St <1889>
Mountain	William Mountain, weighing machine maker was first listed in 1892 [W] • Fish Dock Rd <1892-95> • 286-88, Burgess St <1902>
Tarttelling	John B(lunt) Tarttelling, weighing machine maker appeared in 1895 [WG] • Cressey St <1895>
Morgan	E.G. Morgan, scale manufacturer was first listed in 1901 [EC] • 228, King Edward St <1901-2>
Duke	J. Duke, Ltd, weighing machine maker and repairer was listed in 1902 [C] • 30, Bethlehem St <1902>
Avery	First noted 1905 [K] • 89, Cleethorpe Rd <1905-13> • 295, Cleethorpe Rd <1919-1960> • 215a, Cleethorpe Rd <1962-71>
Pooley	Henry S. Pooley & Son, Ltd, first noted 1905 [K] • Hutton Road, Fish Dock <1905-26>
Ballans	F. Ballans was listed in 1910 as a scale repairer [Hbk] • South Parade <1910>
Peterson	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p>E. PETERSON GRIMSBY</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p>E PETERSON GRIMSBY</p> </div> <p>Established in 1919, Ernest Peterson was first listed in 1922 [K] as a weighing machine maker. By 1930, a second business had been opened up, advertising as a scale maker. From about 1965, the firm repaired scales and sold equipment, supplied by the Leicester Scale Company, under the Peterson label, with Roy Thomas the manager.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamilton St, <1922> • 63, Hamilton St <1926-30> • 1c, Stanley St <1930-1940> • 304, Cleethorpes Rd <1949> • Hilda St <1958-71>

Pickersgill	Edgar Pickersgill was first listed in 1922 [K] as a weighing machine maker. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Murray St, Fish Dock <1922-26> Edward Pickersgill was also first listed in 1922 [K] as a weighing machine maker. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22, Burgess St <1922-30>
Skelton	Percy Skelton was established as a scale maker by 1926 [K]. Four years later, he advertised as a repairer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strand St <1926> • 102, Oxford St <1930>
Bloom	Maxwell Bloom entered into competition as a scale maker by 1930 [K]. He had enlarged his business by 1937 [K], also advertising as Bloom Scales & Machines Ltd. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1a, Newmarket St <1930-37> • 153, Cleethorpe Rd <1937>
Asco Ltd	First listed as a scale maker in 1958 [F] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 118, Albert St <1958-60> • 49, Springfield Rd, 116 Hamilton St<1962-67> • 116 Hamilton St <1971>



'Phone 3940. Established 1919.

E. PETERSON,
SCALE MAKER, REPAIRER and
MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR,
1c, STANLEY ST., GRIMSBY.
(Near Cleethorpe Road).

Specialities:
PERSONAL WEIGHING
MACHINES.
AUTOMATICS.
STAINLESS STEELYARDS.
Unbreakable COAL SCALES.
BACON SLICERS, Etc.
REPAIRS TO ALL MAKES.

¶ An advertisement taken from Whipple's Grimsby and Cleethorpes Directory of 1935, p. 519.

HORNCASTLE	
Tupholme	Thomas Tupholme, furnishing ironmonger and dealer in bar iron, etc advertised his stock of weighing machines and weights in 1839 [SM: 9/8/39], and again in 1845 [SM: 31/10/45].
Woodroffe	Showler Woodroffe, general furnishing ironmongers, advertised weighing machines and weights from 1853 [LC: 16/12/53 – 3/3/54] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bull Ring <1853-54>
Ginger	William Ginger was listed as a weighing machine manufacturer in 1882 [W] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 92, Foundry St <1882>

	LINCOLN
Fisher	W. Fisher, cooper, advertised an extensive stock of Imperial Measures in 1834 [SM: 26/12/34]
Kirk	F. Kirk advertised Hooper's Patent Post-office Letter Weights in 1840 [SM: 10/1/40].
Revill	C. Revill, general machine and drill manufacturer, advertised "weighing machines and weights of all sorts" in 1841 [SM: 16/4/41]. Charles Revill was listed as a weighing machine manufacturer in 1868 [K] but, in 1882 [W], he advertised that the firm was established in 1780. Frank Clarke Revill, working as a weighing machine manufacturer, was first listed in 1896 [K]. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High St <1868> • 194½ High St <1882> • 12, Swanpool Court <1896-1913>
Lucas & Wright	Lucas and Wright, late H. Walker, agricultural and machine manufacturers, advertised weighing machines and weights in 1850 [SM: 20/12/50]. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Mary's St <1850>
Duckering	Richard Duckering, Agricultural Iron Works, advertised "scale and machine weights of all sorts" in 1856 [SM: 18/4/56]. In 1863, he "manufactures scale weights" [SM: 2/1/63] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waterside South <1856-63>
Parkinson	"Parkinson's Machines, Scales and Weights" advertised in 1860 [SM: 16/11/60] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nr Butter House <1860>
Simpson & Co	T. Simpson & Co advertised weighing machines and weights at their ironmongery showrooms in 1867 [SM: 12/4/67] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 235, High St <1867>
Avery	First noted 1905 [K] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11, Waterside South <1905-1937> • 107, High St <1937-52> • Robey St <1955-75->
Henton & Sons	W.G. Henton & Sons advertised Scales and Weights to pass the new regulations at the Sleaford Show in 1908 [SM: 10/7/08].
Saunders	Henry Saunders was first listed as a scale maker in 1913 [R]. By 1922 [K], he was advertising as a weighing machine maker. He continued in business until 1937, when the firm was acquired by W&T Avery, Ltd. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9, Nicholas St <1913> • 2, Carlton St <1919> • 34, Waterside South <1922-26> • Magpie Bridge <1926> • Victoria Bridge <1928-32> • 48 Melville St <1928-1937>

**CHARLES REVILL,
ENGINEER & MACHINIST,
OPPOSITE CORN EXCHANGE, HIGH STREET, LINCOLN.
ESTABLISHED 1780.**

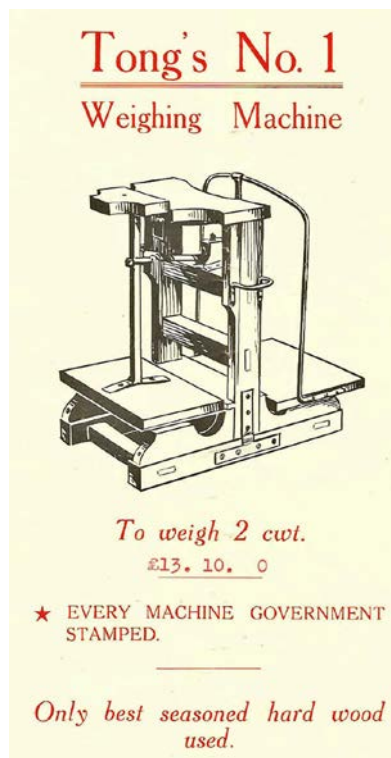
WEIGHING MACHINES of every description from One Oz. to Twenty Tons: upwards of 13,000 of these Machines made and sold. Reference—the principal Merchants and Factors of this and adjoining counties.

Maker of the New Patent HORSE HOE, SCARIFIER and EARTHING or RIDGING PLOUGH, only Three Guineas; three Implements in one, and at the price of one. Also, the Prize HAND and EXCELSIOR HOES, for Cleaning all kinds of Growing Crops; Prize DRESSING MACHINES and BLOWERS, with CORN ELEVATORS, for Filling Sacks and Weighing off at one operation; CHAFF CUTTERS, all sizes; HORSE POWER and BARN MACHINERY, CAKE and BEAN MILLS combined, &c.; REAPERS and GRASS MOWERS, and every description of AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, at Makers' Prices, and Warranted. LINSEED MACHINERY.

¶ An advertisement from White's Directory of Lincolnshire, 1882, Advertisements p. 41.

	LOUTH
Morton & Son	Established in 1832, J. Morton & Son advertised bar weights for a period around December 1865 [LNLA: 9/12/65 -24/2/66], and again in 1867 [LNLA: 26/10 – 28/12/67]. The ironmongers J. Morton, Son & Lock was still in business in 1964. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Gate and Walker Gate <1865-67> • 76 Eastgate <1964>
Cartwright	S. Cartwright, Agricultural Furnishing and General Ironmongers advertised weighing machines and weights from 1853 [LC: 28/1/53] until 1865 [LNLA: 2/12/65]. The ironmongers Cartwright & Pickering Ltd was still in business in 1964. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornmarket <1853-57> • 36, Mercer Row <1865> • Kidgate<1964>
Holleway	J. Holleway advertised weighing machines and weights in 1860 [LNLA: 3/3/60] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nr Market Place <1860>
Boswell	S. Boswell, Furnishing and General Ironmonger, advertised weighing machines and weights in 1866 [LNLA: 13/10-29/12/66]. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22, Market Place <1866>
Hallam	George Hallam, Ironmonger and General Dealer, advertised weighing machines and weights in 1867 [LNLA: 5/1-16/11/67]. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mercer Row <1867>

Kittmer	Benjamin Kittmer, blowing machine and weighing machine manufacturer 1885 [K] • Fulstow <1885>
Blackbourn	John Blackbourn was cited as a weighing machine manufacturer in 1892 [K, W]. • Newmarket <1892>
MARKET RASEN	
Shimels	William Shimmels, an iron and brass founder, advertised weighing machines and weights in 1849 [SM: 27/4/49].
SPILSBY	
Tong	Edmund J. Tong founded the firm in the 1930s and it was first listed in 1937 [K]; the ironmongery, E.J. Tong and Sons Ltd, and Tong Peal Engineering Ltd are still in business as of 2014. • High St <1937 to date>



¶ The cover of a catalogue for the firm of Tong, of Spilsby, 1930-50.

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LE Lincolnshire Echo (1893-1903).