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26 Church Street, one of the shops built in 1882/3 on the site of a row of cottages demolished in 1878, has been a butcher's from about 1900.

Harry Gilbert Watson, a young family man traded here in 1901. He moved out about 1905 and the family eventually emigrated to Vermont.

In the late 19th century John Lloyd had a butcher's shop in Tarvin and traded across Cheshire from a horse drawn cart. When he was in Frodsham he parked in the yard at the Queen's Head. Spotting the potential of the village he opened a butcher's shop in Church Street, now Nationwide. This shop was originally managed by his son Joseph.

Living with John Lloyd in Tarvin in 1901 were two local brothers, Henry and Robert Cotgreave, both butchers. Henry married John's daughter, Mary Alice Lloyd, in 1901 and took over the management of the Frodsham shop.

About 1906 John Lloyd moved his Frodsham business to 26 Church Street which was rented from Kydd's. Perhaps the need for increased living accommodation for the growing Cotgreave family prompted the move. Henry's brother, Robert, was also living with him in 1911.

Henry Cotgreave appears in his own right in the 1914 Kelly's Trade Directory and he bought the shop from Kydd's in 1919.



Robert Cotgreave with butcher's horse & trap

In the 1920s Henry Cotgreave moved to St Lawrence House in Churchfield Road and bought 28 Church Street from the Booth family. Henry started selling pork and sausages there leaving his son Harry to run the main shop. Harry ran the butcher's here throughout WW2 until his retirement in 1969.



Lloyd's butcher's, 26 Church Street, on the left c.1910

Ad 1949

H. COTGREAVE

Meat Purveyor

26, CHURCH STREET - FRODSHAM

The shop was then leased to R Sherwin, butcher's of Runcorn, who in turn let it to Tony Nickson who retained the name "Sherwin's". In 1999 the shop was leased to the present occupiers, A Pickup, butcher's of Chester.