NAME OF MILL RADIPOLE UPPER MILL

TOWN RADIPOLE SOURCE of POWER R.WEY

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1798 Jno. HOCART, of Weymouth in the Co. of Dorset, merchant, miller and brewer, insures:

A house situate at Radipole in the occupation of a tenant £200.

A Water Corn Millhouse near having no steam engine or kiln in adjoining or communicating £100.

The water wheels etc. therein £100.

On stock in trade £300. (Royal Exch. Fire Ins. Policy No. 165679- 24 Dec. 1798)

John HOCART Esq. of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis in the county of Dorset, Merchant, insures A Water Corn Millhouse situate at Radipole near Weymouth aforesaid, having no steam engine £200. The water wheels, standing and going geer, millstones and machines therein £100.

(Royal Exchange Fire Insurance Policy No. 182400- 23 Feb. 1801)

John HOCART and Brothers of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis, Co. of Dorset, and of the Island of Aldemey, Merchants, insure

A house stone and thatched situate at Radipole near Weymouth aforesaid £200.

A Water Corn Millhouse near having no steam engine £100.

The Water Wheels etc. therein £100. (Royal Exchange Fire Inaurance Policy No. 190795- 15 April 1802)'

- 1833 Letter about mill house, 1833. (DorRO D/GO;3232)
- 1851 George HOPKINS, miller, corn factor and maltster, Radipole. (Kdir)
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- 1859 T HOPKINS, miller, Radipole. (Kdir)
- 1867 T HOPKINS, miller, Radipole. (Kdir)
- 1889 Legg BAGG, miller, Radipole. (Kdir)
- 1895 Legg BAGG, miller, Radipole. and at, Lower Mill. (Kdir)
- 1899 Legg BAGG, miller, Radipole. and at, Lower Mill. (Kdir)
- 1903 Legg BAGG, miller, Radipole. and at, Lower Mill. (Kdir)
- 1907 Matthias B L BAGG, miller, Radipole. and at, Lower Mill. (Kdir)
- There were two mills at Radipole. Mr. Legg BAGG was the proprietor. This was the next downstream from Nottington Mill. It contained four pairs of stones and the most up to date dressing machinery in those days. The water continued its course into Weymouth Harbour; at certain times when the tides were very high the water checked the mill wheel from working to its full capacity, which was a great handicap. Mr. Bags was the proprietor in those days. He supplied the flour to the Convict Prison for many years. When the roller system was coming into vogue in the district Mr. Bagg decided to retire, and the site of the mill is now occupied by two dwelling houses. (Mr. H. Wright, Sept. 1947)
- Mill House Radipole. The original large old mill and its outbuildings have been partly converted and partly pulled down. Parts of the original building have been incorporated into the adjoining houses. Part of the main building still remains though the machinery has been removed. Old wooden wheel hubs are used as pillars to a shed. Parts of the building have been completely pulled down. It is doubtful if it is practical to do any reconstruction work. The iron sluices are still left and the natural setting is most picturesque. (CPO 1952)
- Dr TURNER, owner. Stone walls and slate roof. This mill is in excellent condition but forms part of private property. The mill is disused and all the machinery removed except the water wheel which is in need of repair but generally in good condition. (overshot?) small diameter but very wide. Recorded as a capital corn mill in 1847. Two Derbyshire stones and one French burr stone are within the grounds.

(K Fry CPO -14 Feb.1984)

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