# DETHICK LEA AND HOLLOWAY









# TIME LINE

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Queen Victoria's Jubilee

#### Dethick, Lea & Holloway time line by George Wigglesworth

700	BC	Latest date for Bronze Age Burial Caim near Five Lane Ends sometimes shown as old quarries
249		Date of most recent Roman coin found in a hoard under Shuckstone Cross
1087		Lea (as Lede) features in Domesday survey
1087		Shuckstonefield in Domesday survey
1200		Robert de Alveley identified with Lea (also known as [aka] Lehey)
1200		Dethek mentioned in Cartulary Documents of Wakebridge. These are record books of the Chantry
1200		Ralph of Wakebridge granted, in Holloway, a toft, Longlands and Morro at an annual rent of 20d
1202		The Lord of Lea Manor reputedly gave Peter Deseth land at Dethick
1202		The Manor of Dethick is thought to exist from this date
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1210		Documentary agreement between Robert de Alvely & Alice concerning land & a mill pond in Lehey William de Suckthorne living in that area ( Shuckstonefield)
1210		One document says an application was made to King John to build a domestic chapet at Lea
1228		Sir Geof. Dethick licenced to hold divine service & receive sacrements in the chapel by the Bishop
1278		Dethick Chapel dedicated to St John the Baptist although one directory gives 1220 for its inception
1279		Dethick Chapel endowed with 5 marks a year by Sir Geoffrey Dethick and Thomas, Prior of Fellay
1279		Thurston Palfreyman first priest at Dethick
1280		Wildemarsiche was granted to Geoffrey of Holloway and Amicia his wife at an annual rent of 1/2d
1285		Land called Hannefeld and Hanneleigh granted to Geoffrey of Dethick and still referred to in 1360
1285		An area of land called Alveley was mentioned in the area of Lea Green
1286		Shukethome' (aka Shuckstonefield) mentioned in Cartulary Documents
1286		Robert, son of Ralph of Holloway, hanged for felony
1289		Lord Priest Johannis was incumbent at Lea
1290		Overholwey and Netherholweye mentioned in Cartulary Documents of Wakebridge
1290		2 acres in le Holdeton, le Putternedue and Hungerhyll in Lea were granted by Thomas de Ferrers
1293		An "assart" (land claimed from woodland) by the river Derwent was in the fee of Lea
1293		Le Holte, le Smehtcroft and an assart called Heye (aka Hay) mentioned at Oldeton in Lea
1295		Le Sparth in Lea rendered to Robert, son of Geoffrey of Holloway, in return for a rose annually
1299		Late in this century land called Wodewalleker provided 1/2d for a lamp in Dethick Chapel
1300		Two mills existed at Lea before this date (netherleemilne and overleemilne) still mentioned in 1360
1325		Le Leeholte held by Raph, son of Anker de Freshville
1327		Robert de Dethick released two moleties of Lea Manor to John de Kynardsleye and his sister
1327		Two Chaplains at Lea (St Mary's) Chapel
1331		Geoffrey de Holloway, the Chaplain of Lea, granted rent to Peter of Wakebridge
1350		Lea Brook referred to as Redebrook
1350		Richard le Clerk of Lea licensed his "mesne lord" on the 4th October
1352		John de Babington was knighted by Edward III
1357		John, son of Geoffrey of Dethick, allowed to mill his corn free of "mulcture" (penalty/payment)
1370		Wm of Wakebridge stipulated poor received "dole" of one farthing on St Catherine's day (25 Nov)
1370		Lower mill at Lea rebuilt by William of Wakebridge
1403		Robert and Thomas Dethick killed in Battle of Shrewsbury
1412		Dethick Chapel had a chantry founded by Roger de Wingerworth to the value of 20/- per annum
1412		Roger de Wingerworth founded Lea Chantry with 20/- per annum from 40 acres at likeston
1430		4 properties in Holloway and 4 in Lea listed for rent and repairs, one at "Hongreclyffe Legh"
1430		7 debtors from Lea and Holloway listed on death of the chantry cantarist Henry Coke
1460		4 properties at Holloway listed in the fragment of a Wakebridge Chantry rental
1464		Thomas Babington was buried at Ashover, his sword and bow used at Agincourt were displayed
1478		Lea (St Mary's) chapel rebuilt (it no longer exists), Thomas Roughbottom was priest
1485		Sir John Babington (son of Thomas), killed at the Battle of Bosworth Field, former Sheriff of Derby
1505		The Lords and Owners of Dethick Manor paid 4 marks yearly as tythes to Ashover Church
1507		Ann daughter of John Babington wife of James Rolleston of Lea died having produced 13 children
1530		West door date stone of Dethick Chapel "Anno verbi incarnarti" (Year since word was made flesh)
1530		Dethick Chapel restored by Sir Anthony Babington who raised the walls and built the tower
1534		Sir Anthony Babington was Sheriff of Nottingham and Derby
1535		Humphrey Mader was Chantry Priest at Lea getting tythes of 20/- and 10/- from Dethick Mill
1540		Lead cost £5 10s for about a ton (a fother) of which 77% were production costs at a bole

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#### General Nightingale Smedley Walker Wass 1 l 1541 Thomas Babington shut off the path along Green Lane through Coneygreave at Cross Lanes Thos Babington and his servants assaulted a Lea cortege going to Ashover with bills & swords 1544 1545 Francis Rolleston was plaintiff in Star Chamber Proceedings over wood removed to clear stream Thos Babington confessed there were old stoney crosses [now aka gibbet stone] at Conygreave 1546 1547 Both chapels suppressed by King Henry VIII 1547 Thomas Rowbotham and Richard Sandall were the last priests at Lea and Dethick All chantries were closed by Act of Parliament, Lea Chapel having an income of 47/- per annum 1549 1555 The former priest at Dethick, having been dispossessed received a pension of £2 1561 Dethick Manor passed by Anthony Babington to his son and heir. Henry 1569 Flower's visitation records a memorial in glass at Dethick Chapel to Thomas Babington & 15 children 1571 Two alehouses in the villages [including Tansley] were those of Wm Johnson and Leonard Bacon Anthony Babington appointed page to Earl of Shrewsbury as which he met Mary Queen of Scots 1573 1577 Francis Rolleston and his wife Mary were listed as "recusants" (Catholics in a Protestant Kingdom) Francis Rolleston, of Lea, & his son were convicted of conspiring to free Mary Queen of Scots 1581 "Fraunces Rowlson" with others accused of infringing Lead Smelting Patent (Exchequer Court) 1584 1586 Anthony Babington executed age 25 1586 Smelting Mill owned by the Babingtons 1587 16 fothers of lead from the Babington estate shipped in the "Manuel" of Hull to London 13 fothers of lead sold by Babington's steward to Thomas Woodward at Bawtry for shipment 1587 1587 Robert Greensmith, Thos Mather and John Statham mustered against the Spanish 1588 Francis Rolleston died at home having been incarcerated in the Tower of London Lead cost £7 for about a ton (a fother) of which 84% were production cost at a smelting mill 1590 1590 Mention of lead at Leigh mill Francis Babington, Anthony's brother, was forced to mortgage his half of Dethick Manor for £460 1590 1590 Rowland Eyre bought the lease of Dethick from Ed. Stafford whose wife had been a Babington 1590 The Earl of Shrewsbury was urged to revive the lead business and use 'leigh mille' Four horsemen were the county's required contribution to the Irish war 1599 1601 Raufe Blackwell and Wm Bradboure paid 15/- & 35/- to furnish 3 horsemen for the Irish war Wendesley Blackwall proved his right to Dethick Manor House, appurtenances and water mill 1624 1627 Robert Haughe and ffrancis Burton were taxed 46/8d to fund Charles I 1630 The Spateman family were involved in smelting lead at Cowhay Francis Alleyn left 10s to the poor & 40s a year to Dethick Chapel from his messuage at Lea 1633 1633 Elizabeth, the daughter of the Earl of Shrewsbury, sold the Nether Corn Mill A mill at Sodom, fields named Halliwell Carr, Large Worthing and The Storth shown on Dethick map 1635 1635 Thomas Blackwall sold the Lordship of Dethick to Nathaniel Hallowes of Derby Hodgkin & Giles Cowley bought the Manor of Lea from Sir John Pearshall, conveying it to Spateman 1648 The Church Rate paid to Ashover was a penny a plough, a halpenny a cottage 1650 1655 Sir John Dethick was Lord Mayor of London, the family having left Derbyshire Richard Hodgkinson asserted at an enquiry that there was no lead mined in the parish 1657 1662 The Hearth Tax assessment found 72 hearths and 53 entries in the three villages 1663 Dethick Chapelry endowed with 40s a year for a minister by the will of Francis Allyn Also the poor of "Howay and Lea" received loaves to the value of 10s on St Thomas's Day 1663 1666 Thomas Nightingale (TN) baptised at Ashover John Statham, Sam Haugh and Richard Marshall each were taxed on five hearths 1670 1671 Date stone on what is now the Chapel Keeper's Cottage and may be the date of Lea Chapel 1671 The Nightingales maintained Lea Chapel for their practice of the Unitarian Creed 1676 The River Derwent froze Feoffment conveyed Lea Hall from Sir Gilbert Clarke of Chilcote to Robert Allen 1679

John Wigley passed Hollins lead smelter to Hugh Bateman, one of 4 smelters on Lea Brook

A cross in High fields was located in "land before Mr Flint's" [now lost but seen in 1722 and 1777]

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1692	Date stone on Cowley Cottage (aka Lea Manor, 1900 ) with the initials WAR
1693	Four each paid 3/4 d for their stalls at Ashover Church but three did not
1694	John Wigley of Cromford sold the Hollins Lead Smelter to Samuel Wood of Holloway
1698	Sketch map of Mrs Hodkinson's land at Lea showed "Hungerhill" adjacent to the "Chappel Yarde"
1704	Peter Nightingale [i] (PN[i]) born the son of Thomas
1707	Half Lea Manor bought by a Nightingale (probably by Thomas)
1719	Ashover Church Rates were threepence ha'penny a house,
1719	Guide Stoop placed on Parish Boundary (near Scotland Nursey) in response to Act of Parliament
1722	Titus Wheatcroft referred to a cross in High Field Fence (maybe the one in 1687)
1731	Date stone on High Croft, once the Three Horse Shoes. The initials SF probably relate to a Flint
1734	TN died
1735	Lea Chapel endowed by TN through his will for Protestant dissenters
1736	Peter Nightingale [ii] (PN[ii]) born the son of PN[i]
1738	PN[i] introduced "cupolas" into Cowhay Lead Works
1743	Elizabeth Gorton date stone on Gorton Cottage (aka Garton Cottage) (or 1745)
1753	PN(i) roasted an ox for the poor and hungry
1754	Lea Manor given Georgian front by PN[i]
1755	Local notables advertised desire to change Wakes Week to the Sunday before All Saints Day
1757	PN[i] gives Ox, Cow and corn to poor neighbours
1758	Anthony Wood, the elder, sold Hollins Smelter to PN [i] and [ii]
1761	Date stone bearing initial PN found at Cowhay lead smelter
1761	The sale of Lea Green by Geo Marshall to Francis Cooke was the first extant factual record
1763	PN[i] died
1766	Cromford-Langley Mill Turnpike built
1768	Window seen by R Reynolds stating St Mary's Chapel was built in 1478 (still to be seen in 1817)
1775	Meeting advertised at Sarah Radford's house (3 Horse Shoes) to initiate the Enclosure Act
1776	Lea and Holloway Enclosure of the Common Land Act
1777	Parish boundary dispute with Tansley
1777	Holywell in Highfield, Coldwell and Stones below Coldwell Bank shown by name
1777	Land at the Green, Lea owned principally by Peter and Henry Nightingale
1781	PN[ii] builds a row of 6 cottages called Weavers Street & workshops by the Jug & Glass
1781	Date stone on the Jug and Glass bearing the initials PN
1782	Date stone on the Jug and Glass bearing the initials SSE
1783	PN[ii] engaged Benjamin Pearson @ £50/annum, previously a trusted employee of Arkright
1784	PN[ii] built cotton mill at Lea Bridge to spin cotton and make a little muslin
1784	PN[ii] advertised for good calico weavers
1785	PN[ii] and Ben Pearson separated
1785	PN[ii] sued finally unsuccessfully by Arkright for infringement of his carding machine patent
1785	The Great Flood and break in Dam Wall destroyed some of PN[ii]'s mill to about £400 value
1785	£1000 bequests were made over the next 25 years to Dethick Church
1788	Copper Roman Coins found under Shuckstone Cross
1789	Date on the stile in Town Street, from Lea to Upper Holloway bearing the initials JC, John Cowley
1789	Cromford Canal Act passed
1790	PN(ii) offered a reward of 5 gns. for a "crow, hack and mallet" stolen from him
1790	Mill appreciably enlarged
1792	PN(ii) leases land to James Daniels for the Hat Factory & land for a water supply to power it
1792	Wigwell aqueduct carrying the Canal over the Derwent first built, the 2 date stones giving this date
1793	PN[ii] builds Woodend
1793	PN[ii] pays for inocculation of poor children
1793	Joseph Smithurst was accused of stealing one oak rail, value 2/- from PN[ii]

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1793	WE Nightingale (WEN) born the son of Mr Shore
1794	Wigwell aqueduct rebuilt after slippage and Cromford Canal opened
1794	PN[ii] had Wass (millright of Mansfield) build a corn mill at Pear Tree Farm
1794	PN[ii] leases additional land to James Daniels to build six cottages
1795	James Daniels of the Hat Factory bankrupt
1796	£40 reward for robbery of £35 from Samuel Holbrook of Lea Mills by 3 men with knives
1796	Six registered as potential jurors being males and by reason of property or income
1796	Samuel Elcock, Hatter, accused of having seven engines (aka snares) for catching game
1796	Daniels bankruptcy sale
1797	New corn mill replaces two adjacent mills destroyed to make the cotton mill
1799	Thomas Bunting committed to gaol for stealing camel's hair and codswool (!?) from Wm Downall
1799	Dispute over the Patronage of Dethick Church meant Queen Anne's Bounty was not paid 3 times
1800	PN[ii] got agreement for the Nightingale Arm as long as the water was 12" above the canal
1800	Joseph Wass [i] (JW[i]) leased Wharf Yard probably for lead transport
1800	JW[i] m Mary Alsop at Matlock
1802	Date on boundary stone (visited in 1687) in garden of Boundary Cottage, Bracken Lane
1802	1st proposed canal from Lea Bridge via Tansley and Bakewell
1802	Strutts demanded PN[ii] keep the arm (effectively Derwent water) no higher than the canal
1802	PN[ii] leased Wharf yard at Lea Bridge
1802	Thomas Oldknow of Lea Wood advertised in the Derby Mercury "Stage Boats" on Cromford Canal
1803	John Smedley [ii] (JS[ii]) born the son of John Smedley[i]
1803	PN[ii] died
1805	Joseph Wass[ii] (JW[ii]) born the son of JW[i]
1806	Toll House for the Cromford-Langley Mill Turnpike to be built near Hollywell (aka Holywell)
1808	Lea School built by Public Subscription
1810	Wass listed as one occupier of Cowhay Lead Works
1810	Bequests to Dethick Church were used to buy 34 acres producing income of £42 per year
1810	2nd proposed canal from Lea Bridge to Peak Forest via Tansley superceded by High Peak Railway
1811	120 "hands" worked at the Hat Factory
1811	First reference to John Alsop's lead smelter at Lea Bridge
1815	WEN came of age and inherited Nightingale Estate
1817	Cut stone said to be exported from a stone saw mill at Lea Wood wharf
1817	Cromford - Beiper tumpike (A6) commenced
1817	JS[ii] started work aged 14
1818	JS[i] took over Lea Mills
1819	Proposals to shorten Nightingale Arm
1820	Wm Walker leasing the Hat Factory
1820	Florence Nightingale born, the daughter of WEN
1821	Rev Francis Gisbourne (Staveley) left £6/10/0 to buy coarse Yorkshire cloth for the poor of Dethick
1823	34 acres now produced an income of £66/10/0, 2/3rds of Dethick Church income
1825	WEN moved to Lea Hurst
1827	WEN required to sever the cut from Lea Brook
1827	WEN allowed (but didn't) build a Mill on left bank of the Derwent before the aqueduct
1827	JS[ii] took over Lea Mills
1829	Joseph Wass [ii] m Ann Miller
1829	A Turnpike was proposed from Holloway to Whatstandwell but never built
1830	Edward Miller Wass born the son of JW[ii]
1830	Smithhurst, Clerk to Dethick Chapel died, a family memorial was placed in Dethick Chapel
1831	Lea Bridge swept away in a storm
1831	High Peak Railway established
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1832	James Platts & William Sims operated 4 barges from Lea Wood Wharf carrying stone and coal
1833	JS[ii] + others met over the Factory Act requirement to safely fence rotating shafts
1834	J W[ii] bought Lea Green estate from A Wheatcroft
1835	JW[i] leased the Lead Works
1835	JS[ii] rented The Poplars but he lived at The Homestead
1836	Date on bell in Dethick Church
1838	JW [i] died
1838	Weslyan Methodist Chapel built by JW[ii] at £1000, near Common End
1840	JS[i] died
1844	JS[ii] rebuilt The Poplars (aka Lea Holme) for his mother
1845	Lea Bridge post office opened, to be closed in 1999
1845	Lea Chapel became part of the Matlock Methodist Free Church Circuit of Churches
1846	JS[ii] married Caroline Ann Harward
1849	Map shows fields such as Pearle Flat, Round Meadow and Lea Leys at Dethick
1849	Derby-Matlock railway established
1849	Lea Wood pump house built
1851	JS[ii] established hospital at Lea Bridge
1852	JS[ii] built Trinity Chapel as part of Cromford Wesleyan Reform Circuit
1852	JS[ii] started hydrotherapy
1852	JW[ii] died and Ann his wife took over
1852	First Primitive Methodist Chapel built on Chapel St on land given by WEN
1853	WEN and Wm Walker exchanged land in Smith's Pingle and Hob Hay to build a house (1870)
1853	Connection made between main line and High Peak Junction
1854	Three cheers applauded a council meeting decision to pay no more Church rates to Ashover
1854	Florence Nightingale left for Scutari in the Crimea
1854	Of coal coming to Lea Wood Wharf 2080 tons was for the Lead Works, 1300 for Smedley's
1856	Florence returning from the Crimea, walked home quietly from Whatstandwell Station
1856	A further £500 spent on the Wesleyan Chapel by the Wass family
1857	Thomas Hallowes of Glapwell, Lord of Dethick Manor and patron of the living
1857	Dethick living valued at £90 augmented by £1000 Queen Anne's Bounty and £400 benefactions
1857	Parents paid 2d a week for school pupils complementing support from Florence's father
1858	Hat Factory closed or soon after
1859	New School built
1860	Holloway Cooperative Society established
1862	JS[ii] began work on Riber
1863	JS[ii] presented by patients with an illuminated address showing the Church St Chapel
1866	Battlements of Dethick Church renovated
1868	Wm Walker dies
1870	Leawood Hall completed for Wm. Walker's heirs by architect W E Nesfield
1871	Burial Ground discussed, 1 acre given by W E Nightingale, the mortuary to be built by Mrs Wass
1872	JS[ii] involved in lengthy correspondence with the Manchester Guardian
1872	Dethick Church roof gutted by fire
1874	Methodists acquired Lea Chapel and John Smedley presented new hymn books
1874	Dethick Church roof restored to the original design
1874	The first dates on tombstones in the burial ground laid out in 1872
1874	WEN died
1874	JS[ii] died aged 71 and John T Marsden took over, adopting the name Smedley
1874	Robert Lowe leased Hat Factory to be wool warehouse
1875	JTMarsden-Smedley died
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1876	Lea Wood Hall completed
1879	Typhoid epidemic in Holloway
1879	Trinity Chapel enlarged
1881	John B Hayward headmaster of "The British School" and Secretary of the Reading Room
1882	Ann Wass died
1883	Zion Chapel enlarged on land bought from the Nightingale family including Florence
1886	EM Wass died
1887	John Dawes was secretary and Joseph Buxton sexton of the cemetary
1888	School becomes a Board School
1888	JBM-S came of age and took charge at Lea Mills
1890	Mortury chapel enlarged to seat 60 by Robt. Wildgoose JP and cemetary enlarged to 11/2 acres
1890	Mr & Mrs JBM-S welcomed home with Flags, Cannons and an Address
1890	Inauguration of the Lea Mills Band which lasted 21 years until the strike
1892	Alice Jane Taylor (aka Alison Uttley) enrolled by her mother at Lea School
1898	Request by the Clerk of Parish Council that a station be built at High Peak Junction was rejected
1899	Dethick, Lea and Holloway formed into a Parish separate from Ashover
1900	The school's Shrovetide concert, "The Mandarin", was thought the best of the series 1889-1906
1900	Butterley Tunnel collapsed limiting use of canal
1901	169 residents were transferred from Crich to Dethick, Lea & Holloway ecclesiastical parish
1901	Bob Else of Lea Wood played cricket for Derbyshire, once when "WG" celebrated his 55th birthday
1901	Lea Mill's band won first prize at Nottingham winning £20, a trombone and medals
1902	Boer War ended in which Pte Jack Dawes of Hollins Sq was killed
1903	Holloway church opened
1903	First known reference to a "Parish Nurse"
1904	Thomas Conquest started 18 years as organ blower at the church
1904	Original Vicarage built, now residence of the Bishop of Repton
1905	The Victoria County History recorded Dormice in Lea Valley being found by W Boulsover
1905	Nurse Crooks, the Parish Nurse, was paid £36 and £1 towards the renewal of her uniform
1905	Holloway Football Club won the Matlock and District League a feat repeated in 1907
1905	The Nature Study and Garden exhibition was opened by GH Grindrod Esq. HM Inspector of Schools
1906	A committee was set up to administer the services of the Parish Nurse, Nurse Crooks
1907	JBM-S gave evidence to the House of Lords of the effect of closing Butterley Tunnel
1908	TA Glazier was Auctioneer, Estate Agent, Hotel & Inn Keeper, Probate Valuer, rent & debt collecter
1908	Lea Green extended by JBM-S
1910	Tower added to Church
1910	Florence Nightingale died
1911	The United Methodists received £8-5-0 at Harvest Thanksgiving more than collections in any quarter
1911	Five month strike at Smedleys
1912	Lea Mill's Band ended
1912	Mineral Water Factory ceased working
1914	Great War, 137 enlisted, 19 died, six Military Medals awarded before the end in 1918
1914	During the war the Gunst and Parrien families from Belgium came to the village as refugees
1914	Fee for Parish Nurse attending confinement & 10 days after 10/-, a miscarriage & 10 days 5/-
1916	H S Oliver was secretary of the Holloway Conservative Club
1916	Parr's Bank opened for two hours on Thursday lunchtime
1917	Women's Institute formed, the annual subscription proposed was 2/-, meeting on the 3rd Thursday
1919	There was a lantern lecture on "Consumption, its spread and prevention" for the Mother's Union
1920	Charles Gregory ran "The Empire Club" at "The Rise"
1920	The WI room below Lea School was to be hired for badminton two nights a week
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1921	500 Derbyshire Girl Guides held a rally at Lea Green
1921	Lea Wood Hall sold
1922	A bazaar in their schoolroom raised £102 for the United Methodist Church
1922	The Westminster Bank was open for two hours on Thursdays
1922	The church organ was improved by installing a 4 HP Lister gas engine to blow it
1922	Village War Memorial unveiled by the Duke of Devonshire
1923	£256 were raised by a "Bazaar & Fancy Fair" at Lea Green towards debts for the church organ
1924	Burst of Derwent Valley Water Works pipeline led to alarming noise and flooding four feet deep
1925	The total rateable value of the three villages was £7,613
1929	Cowhay Lead Smelter 'Haystack' condenser collapsed
1930	Trustees of Wm Shore Nightingale sold Cowhay Lead Works and Lea Wharf to Mill Close
1932	Florence Nightingale Memorial Hall opened by Edward, Prince of Wales
1932	By amalgamation, the Methodist Church was formed of which Trinity became part
1933	Frederick Grainger at the Three Horse Shoes paid £30 (£22 nett) as Poor Law Rate
1933	The Duke of York (later to become George VI) visited Smedleys
1933	WI reconvened
1934	HE Betts paid G Peach £31-16-6d to refurbish the Smoke Room at the Yew Tree after a fire
1935	Lea Lead Works closed
1936	Nightingale Arm of the canal closed, Cromford Canal in 1944
1936	Lead Smelter site used as iron foundry for a short time
1940	Louis Hilary Shore Nightingale died
1945	Second World War ended in which seven villagers died
1946	Lea Hurst Estate sold piecemeal by auction
1948	Cowhay Lead Works demolished, the Calcite hill being levelled in 2003
1951	Lea Hurst presented to the Royal Surgical Aid Society to be a home for the elderly
1955	Disused Hat Factory collapsed in a storm
1957	40th Year of "The Friendly Touch" (aka "Cheery Chat") written by Rev 'Bert' Bunting
1959	JBM-S died
1960	The lands at Dethick were bought by the Turbotts of Ogston Hall
1960	Lea Green sold to Derbyshire CC to become a residential Sports Centre, its 1st course 2 years later
1965 1966	Queen Elizabeth visited Lea Mills
1967	Church organ extensively restored
1974	High Peak Railway closed
1978	The Vicar's stall was to the memory of Miss Ethel Gregory, long time organist  Coop Shop burnt down
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1982	Vietnamese Boat People at Lea Wood House Princess Anne lays foundation stone for extension to Village Hall
1983	Wharf Shed became a study centre for Lea Green
1991	4 times the number of houses (450) compared to 1801 but only twice the population, now 1136
1996	Myumi school, Tanzania, first supported by the Church
2000	The forth-coming millenium was celebrated by a Mystery Pageant compiled by Dennis Brook
2003	The 1710/19 guide stoop moved from its correct place to 5 Lane Ends by Holymoorside Hist Soc
2003	The pageant "Aaron's Lot", by Dennis Brook, celebrated the 100th anniversary of the church
2003	Dormice re-introduced into the County in this Parish
2004	The PC opposed development at Lea Hurst; the Age Care home closed as uneconomical after 50 yrs