Butterley Company Apprentices 1831, 1834, 1854 - 1875

Introduction

This typescript brings together the pertinent Apprenticeship information from the surviving apprenticeship documents for the Butterley Company, which are deposited in the Derbyshire Record Office. They comprise:

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It should be noted that D503B Box B Item 50 also includes Item 51, but as they have been filed together and the individual documents do not have reference numbers on them, it is impossible to say which documents belong to which item, and so for purposes of this typescript they are all listed as Item 50.

The indentures are much more informative than the letters of memoranda but exhibit in most cases the characteristic of being retrospective, in that they are dated later than the actual date that the apprentice started their apprenticeship. For purposes of this typescript, the arrangement is by date of the start of the apprenticeship rather than the date of the indenture. The letters of memoranda do not give a location or parental details but usually the apprenticeship start date is the same as the letter of memorandum. Given that documents of both types do not survive for any apprentice, it may be the case that in cases where an indenture exists, it has replaced an earlier letter of memoranda, which the retrospective nature of most of the indentures.

Except for the earliest indenture of 1831, for purposes of uniformity, the apprentices are shown as apprenticed to the Butterley Company, though in some cases on the original documents, the apprentice is bound to the proprietors Messrs Jessop & Wright.

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1831

Edward Gregory, aged 15 on 19th March instant, son of James Gregory of Calow, is apprenticed as a model maker to Benjamin Smith of Duckmanton, ironfounder, for 6 years, commencing 19th March 1831. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 12s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 19th March 1831.

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1834

John Moore of Middleton is apprenticed as a model maker & millwright to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 14th October 1834. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 14th October 1834.

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1854

German Hall, son of William Hall of Swanwick, licensed hawker, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 5 years, commencing 19th January 1854. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fifth year. Indenture dated 19th January 1854.

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David Whysall, son of Jacob Whysall of Lowes Hill, Ripley, model maker, is apprenticed as boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 15th June 1854. To be paid weekly wages of 8s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fifth year. Indenture dated 15th June 1854.

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Samuel Beastall, son of John Beastall of Greenwich in Butterley Park, tailor, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 4th August 1854. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 4th August 1854.

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Francis Hunt, son of Isaac Hunt of Swadlincote, engine tenter, is apprenticed as a fitter of engines & machinery to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 10th August 1854. To be paid weekly wages of 8s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fourth year. Indenture dated 10th August 1854.

William Moore, son of Joseph Moore of Ripley, engine fitter, is apprenticed as a model maker & millwright to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 26th July 1855. To be paid weekly wages of 9s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the third year. Indenture dated 26th July 1855.

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1856

Francis Outram is apprenticed as a engine fitter to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 14th July 1856. To be paid weekly wages of 12s. for the first year, increasing by 2s. per week per year, reaching 16s. in the third year. Letter dated 14th July 1856.

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1858

John Fiddler of Butterley is apprenticed as an engine smith to the Butterley Company for 1 year, commencing 11th May 1858. To be paid a weekly wage of 17s. Letter dated 11th May 1858.

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1860

Seneca Topham, son of George Topham of Alfreton, mason, is apprenticed as a mason to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 17th April 1860. To be paid a weekly wage of 8s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 14s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 17th April 1860.

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James Breedon of Ironville is apprenticed as a wagon builder to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 14th November 1860. To be paid a weekly wage of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 14th November 1860.

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1861

David Hague, son of Sarah Woodhead Hague of Ripley is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 5 years, commencing 20th March 1861. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by ls. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fifth year. Indenture dated 29th November 1861.

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William Booth, son of Martha Booth of Pentrich is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 19th October 1861. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 29th November 1861.

Robert Trivett, with the consent of George Trivett of Ripley, is apprenticed as a pattern maker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 7th November 1861. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 5th January 1864.

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John Bradley, son of Thomas Bradley, pattern maker for the Butterley Company, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 13th November 1861. To be paid weekly wages of 9s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the third year. Indenture dated 29th November 1861.

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Francis Bradley, son of Thomas Bradley, pattern maker for the Butterley Company, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 15th November 1861. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 29th November 1861.

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James Clark, son of Thomas Clark of Butterley, labourer in the Ironworks, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 8th December 1861. To be paid weekly wages of 8s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fourth year. Indenture dated 29th November 1861.

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1862

William Walter Payne, son of William Payne, boilermaker for the Butterley Company, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 2nd January 1862. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 22nd August 1862.

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James Kane, son of William Kane of Codnor Park, foreman in a wagon shop, is apprenticed as a turner in iron to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 24th December 1862. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 25th February 1864.

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1863

Alfred Whysall, son of Robert Whysall of Ripley, maltster, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 7th April 1863. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 29th December 1864.

George Fell is apprenticed as an Engine smith to the Butterley Company for 2 years and 297 days, commencing 18th February 1864. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 9s. in the third year. Letter dated 6th May 1864.

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Samuel Thornley, son of Samuel Thornley of Osmaston Manor, coachman, is apprenticed as a engine fitter to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 17th June 1864. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 10th January 1865.

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William Faulkner is apprenticed as a carpenter for making railway wagons to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 25th August 1864. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 9s. week in the third year. Letter dated 7th November 1864.

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George Williams, son of Jacob Williams of Ripley, collier, is apprenticed as a wheelwright to the Butterley Company for 5 years, commencing 4th September 1864. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, 7s. for the second year, 9s. for the third week, 10s. for the fourth year, and 11s. for the fifth year. Indenture dated 13th February 1865.

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1865

William Brown, aged 17, son of John Brown of Codnor, labourer, is apprenticed as a machine clerk to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 17th November 1865. To be paid weekly wages of 11s. for the first year, increasing by 2s. per week per year, reaching 17s. in the fourth year. Indenture dated 9th April 1866.

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1866

Joseph Lygo, son of Mary Lygo, widow, of Alfreton Riddings, is apprenticed as a smith to the Butterley Company for 5 years, commencing 17th February 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fifth year. Indenture dated 28th May 1866.

David Hague has absented himself from his work on the 18th March 1866, (six days before his apprenticeship ends), and entered a Public House for the purpose of drinking during the time that he should have been at work and was summoned before the Magistrates at Smalley on the 26th March. He did not appear and the case was proceeded with, the Magistrates stating that he was liable to imprisonment for 28 days. However, on being requested by the Butterley Company not to send him to prison, he was discharged on payment of the costs and expenses amounting to 14s.

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Francis Skerritt, son of Francis Skerritt of Ripley, labourer, is apprenticed as a pattern maker to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 27th April 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by ls. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 13th August 1867.

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William Walker, son of Thomas Walker of Ripley, boilermaker, is apprenticed as a wheelwright to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 17th May 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 24th August 1867.

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Richard Greaves is apprenticed as a joiner to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 5th July 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. for the first year, increasing by 2s. per week per year, reaching 13s. in the fourth year. Letter dated 23rd May 1867.

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Joseph Marsden is apprenticed as a engine fitter to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 16th July 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 12s. for the first year, increasing by 2s. per week per year, reaching 16s. in the third year. Letter dated 16th July 1866.

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William Cope, son of Ann Cope, widow, of Ripley, is apprenticed as an engine smith to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 23rd July 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 13th August 1867.

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John Godber, son of Josiah Godber, engine tender for the Butterley Company, is apprenticed as a carpenter to the Butterley Company for 5 years, commencing 25th July 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fifth year. Indenture dated 4th February 1867.

William Housley, son of John Housley of Underwood in the parish of Selston, Nottinghamshire, labourer, is apprenticed as a wagon maker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 12th September 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 13th May 1867.

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John Lowe is apprenticed as a bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 1 year and 4 months, commencing 17th October 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. Letter dated 17th October 1866.

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Thomas Stacey, son of Edwin Stacey of Ripley, moulder, is apprenticed as a engine fitter to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 4th December 1866. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 13th August 1867.

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William Watson, son of Fredrick Watson of Ripley, labourer, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 18th January 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 13th August 1867.

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Samuel Neal, aged 17, son of Jonathan Neal of Alfreton Riddings, smith, is apprenticed as a wrought iron worker to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 6th February 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, increasing by 2s. per week per year, reaching 20s. in the fourth year. Indenture dated 4th February 1867.

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James Thompson is apprenticed as a bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 2nd March 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 12s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 15s. in the fourth year. Letter dated 16th May 1867.

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John Housley, son of John Housley of Underwood in the parish of Selston, Nottinghamshire, labourer, is apprenticed as a wagon maker to the Butterley Company for 5 years, commencing 9th March 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. in the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the fifth year. Indenture dated 13th May 1867.

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Thomas Parkin Cotterill, aged 17, grandson of Mary Parkin of Ironville, is apprenticed as a wrought iron worker to the Butterley Company for 4 years, commencing 26th March 1867. To be weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, increasing by 2s. per week per year, reaching 20s. in the fourth year. Indenture dated 20th January 1868.

Thomas Lee is apprenticed as a bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 21st May 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, 15s. for the second year, and 17s. for the third year. Letter dated 21st May 1867.

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John Pepper Wragge Hill, son of Edward S. Hill of Westwood near Selston, Nottinghamshire, is apprenticed as a wrought iron worker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 14th June 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 8s. for the first year, increasing by 2s. per week per year, reaching 20s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 13th January 1868.

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James Wilcoxon (signs Wilcockson) is apprenticed as an engine smith to the Butterley Company for 2 years, commencing 7th November 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 12s. for the first year and 14s. for the second year. Letter dated 7th November 1867.

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Gervase Yeomans is apprenticed as a bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 11th November 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, 15s. for the second year, and 17s. for the third year. Letter dated 11th November 1867.

D503B Box B Item 55

Joseph Lowe is apprenticed as a bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 9th December 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, 15s. for the second year, and 17s. for the third year. Letter dated 9th December 1867.

D503B Box B Item 55

Thomas Bradley is apprenticed as a bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 9th December 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, 15s. for the second year, and 17s. for the third year. Letter dated 9th December 1867.

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Daniel Stapleton, son of John Stapleton of Ironville, mason, is apprenticed as a furnace bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 28th December 1867. To be paid weekly wages of 7s. 6d. for the first year, increasing by 1s. 6d. per week per year, reaching 15s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 13th January 1868.

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1868

James Taylor, son of David Taylor of Alfreton Riddings, blacksmith, is apprenticed as a wagon maker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 10th July 1868. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 19th April 1869.

William Clarke, son of Edmund Clarke of Pentrich, labourer, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 21st July 1868. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 2nd November 1869.

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John Ball is apprenticed as a furnace bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 15th September 1868. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, 15s. for the second year, and 17s. for the third year. Letter dated 15th September 1868.

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Thomas Wainwright is apprenticed as a furnace bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 3 years, commencing 15th September 1868. To be paid weekly wages of 14s. for the first year, 15s. for the second year, and 17s. for the third year. Letter dated 15th September 1868.

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John Shaw Miller, son of George Jones Miller of Codnor Park, foreman, is apprenticed as a furnace bricklayer to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 5th October 1868. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. 6d. per week per year, reaching 15s. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 1st November 1869.

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John Robert Hunt, son of George Hunt of Ripley, loam grinder, is apprenticed as an engine fitter to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 13th December 1868. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 2nd November 1869.

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Thomas Smith, son of Mary Smith, now married to George Moore of Ripley, labourer, is apprenticed as a boilermaker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 7th March 1870. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, rising by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. per week in the seventh year. Indenture dated 7th March 1870.

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1872

Joseph Pym Turton, son of Joseph Pym Turton of High Street, Ripley, is apprenticed as pattern maker to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 27th September 1872. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by ls. per week per year, reaching 1ls. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 10th March 1874.

Bradley Farrell, son of Robert Farrell of Butterley, foreman, is apprenticed as a moulder to the Butterley Company for 7 years, commencing 19th March 1873. To be paid weekly wages of 5s. for the first year, increasing by ls. per week per year, reaching lls. in the seventh year. Indenture dated 21st June 1873.

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1875

William Barton, son of William Barton of Butterley, farm bailiff, is apprenticed as a pattern maker to the Butterley Company for 6 years, commencing 14th August 1875. To be paid weekly wages of 6s. for the first year, increasing by 1s. per week per year, reaching 11s. in the sixth year. Indenture dated 23rd May 1876.

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