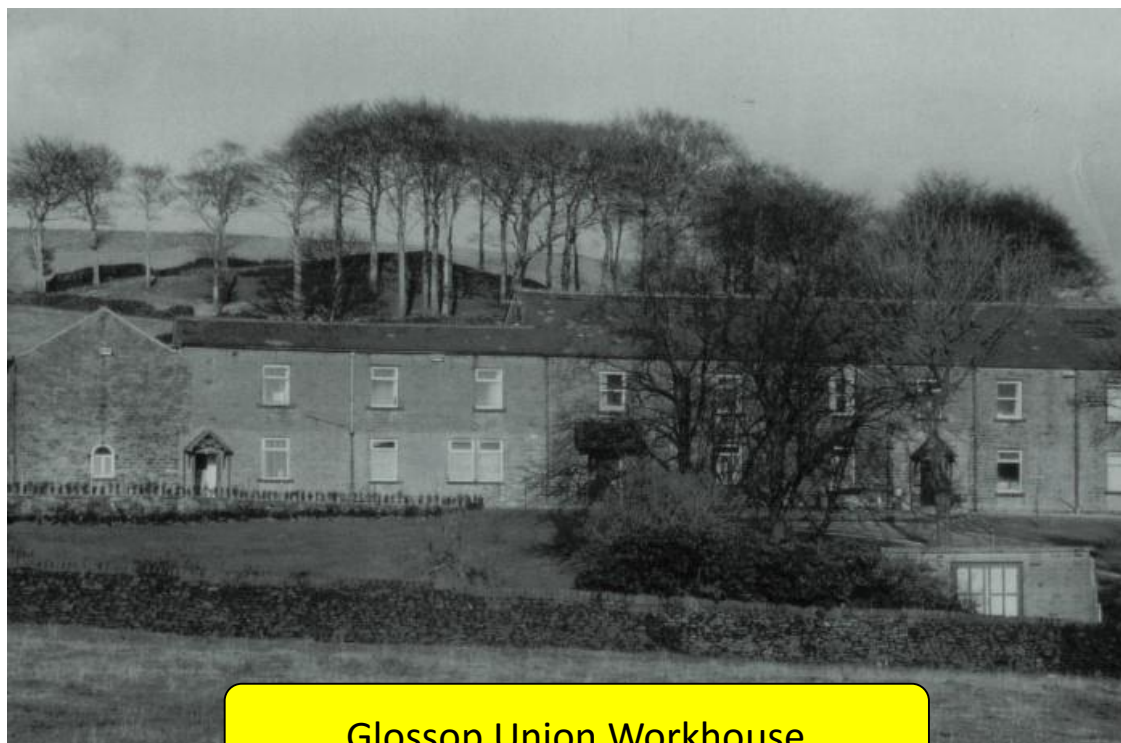


Glossop Union Workhouse – Record of Inmates and Staff, 1851

Who lived within these walls in 1851?



Glossop Union Workhouse

Glossop Poor Law Union and Glossop Union Workhouse - Background Information

The Poor Law Amendment Act (more commonly known as the 'New Poor Law' Act) of 1834 aimed to create a more uniform, centralised system for dealing with poor relief. At a local level, parishes were grouped together into Poor Law Unions run by Boards of Guardians. Following the New Poor Law Act, the Glossop Poor Law Union was set up on 5th December 1837. In addition to the parish of Glossop, the union included the parishes/hamlets of Charlesworth, Dinting, Chisworth, Hadfield, Ludworth, Padfield, Simmondley and Whitfield.

The New Poor Law system was centred on the workhouse. Rather than being given poor relief in their own homes, poor people generally could now only get assistance if they entered the Union Workhouse. Conditions in Union Workhouses were deliberately harsh to ensure only the very desperate applied to enter. Families could be split up and housed in different parts of the workhouse, inmates of all ages were forced to do hard menial labour (such as breaking up stones) and children could be hired out to work in factories, mines, etc. Glossop Poor Law Union took over the recently built township workhouse (erected in the early 1830s). The workhouse later became known as Glossop Public Assistance Institution and later (under the NHS) as Shire Hill Hospital. Hardly any records of pauper inmates at Glossop Union Workhouse survive, however, in addition to lists of inmates which can be obtained from UK Census records, a Glossop Poor Law Union Board of Guardians draft minute book, 1842 - 1846 [which includes reference to individual pauper cases], and a Glossop overseers of the poor account book (which largely predates the establishment of the union), 1828 - 1838 are available (*Derbyshire Record Office: D2125/1-2*). For more information see www.workhouses.org.uk.

The following alphabetical list of Glossop Union Workhouse inmates and staff is taken from the UK census which took place on *30 March 1851*.

**INMATES AND STAFF LIVING IN GLOSSOP
UNION WORKHOUSE 1851** (arranged in alphabetical order)

Name	Relation to head of household	Condition (married, unmarried, widowed, etc.)	Age		Rank, Profession or Occupation	Where Born	Whether blind or deaf and dumb
			Male	Female			
Adams, Ann Maria	Inmate			4		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Adams, Esther	Inmate	U		32	House Servant	Charlesworth, Derbyshire	
Allen, Christopher	Inmate		2			Glossop, Derbyshire	
Allen, Esther	Inmate			5		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Booth, Elizabeth	Inmate			1		Halifax, Yorkshire	
Booth, Hannah	Inmate	U		38	House Servant	Chisworth, Derbyshire	
Booth, Hannah	Inmate			3		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Booth, Sarah Ann	Inmate			10	Scholar	Mottram, Cheshire	
Boyle, Elizabeth	Inmate	W		59	Formerly a House Keeper	Manchester, Lancashire	
Bramhall, Betty	Inmate			4		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Bramhall, Pininnah	Inmate			10	Scholar	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Broom, Edward	Inmate			2		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Broom, Ellen	Inmate	M		37	House Servant	Ireland	
Broom, Peter	Inmate		5		Scholar	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Broom, Thomas	Inmate			2		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Clansey, Bridget	Inmate	W		46	Formerly a Factory Hand	Ireland	
Dewsnap, George	Inmate	U	56		Labourer	Tintwistle, Cheshire	✓
Furness, Hannah	Inmate	U		18	House Servant	Duckenfield, Cheshire	

Furness, Mary	Inmate			8 mon ths		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Gartside, Sarah	Inmate	W		62	Formerly a Reeler (Cotton)	Charlesworth, Derbyshire	
Gray, Ann	Inmate			12	Scholar	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Hadfield, Harriet	Inmate	U		25	Factory Hand	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Hall, Betty	Inmate	U		43	Formerly a Dressmaker	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Hyde, Fanny	Inmate	W		66		Forest(?), Nottinghamshire	
Kay, Charles	Inmate			6	Scholar	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Kay, Margrey	Inmate	U		26	Twister in Cotton	Penistone, Yorkshire	
Mason, Henry	Inmate	W	60		Cart Driver	New Mills, Derbyshire	
Mellor, Samuel	Inmate	M	69		Formerly a Factory Hand	Manchester, Lancashire	
Merrisson, Mary	Inmate	U		50	House Servant	Ireland	✓
Mills, Jane	Inmate	U		21	House Servant	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Monks, Joshua	Inmate	M	71		Formerly a Block Printer	Clayton, Lancashire	
Priestnall, Thomas	Inmate	W	75		Labourer	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Shore, Hannah	Inmate			4		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Shore, Hesketh	Inmate		7		Scholar	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Thompson, Harriet	Inmate	U		22	House Servant	Chisworth, Derbyshire	
Thomson, Susannah	Inmate			2 mon ths		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Wallwork, Matilda	Inmate			1		Glossop, Derbyshire	
Wallwork, Mary	Inmate	U		27	Formerly a Factory Hand	Radcliffe Bridge, Lancashire	✓
Wallwork, Sarah Ann	Inmate			2		Glossop, Derbyshire	

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Walsh, Catherine	Inmate	U		20	Factory Hand	Ireland	
Waterhouse, James	Head	W	67		Governor of Union Workhouse	Saddleworth, Yorkshire	✓
Waterhouse, Sarah	Daughter	U		32	Matron of Union Workhouse	Saddleworth, Yorkshire	✓
Wild, James	Inmate	U	32		No Occupation	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Wood, Hannah D.	Inmate			11	Scholar	Glossop, Derbyshire	
Woodcock, Mary	Inmate	W		65	Formerly a Hawker	Ireland	✓

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