

100 YEARS AGO!

Life in Bampton: August 1921

with thanks to Russ Davies

At Tiverton County Sessions yesterday, Edward Gooding, Brook Street, Bampton, and Frederick George Frost, Frog Street, Bampton, were summoned for milk adulteration. After a lengthy hearing a fine of 10s was inflicted in each case.

Mr. J.R. Shenton of the Henstridge (Somerset) Church School has been appointed headmaster of the Bampton National School as successor to Mr. G. B. Hulland, who held this office for two years as successor to Mr. F. Townsend.

The preliminary report of the Registrar General of the Census of Great Britain showed the Total population of Great Britain..... 42,767,530. Increase on 1911.....1,936,134. The return for Devonshire, Administrative County and Associated County Boroughs gives a total of 709,488, an increase of 9,786. Bampton, 1,467, a decrease of 105.

Bampton Urban Council discussed a possible leakage of the town's water supply in Lower Luke's Park, and desired to have the ground opened up, but Mr. Moore, owner of the field, raised the objection that this source of water does not belong to the Council. It was decided to engage Mr. Wills, a water diviner, to find out if the water can be obtained elsewhere in the district. His fee will be 10 guineas and expenses.

The Chairman of the Bampton Council feelingly referred to the serious illness of Dr. Bovey, the Medical Officer of Health, and expressed a hope he would soon recover and be with them again.