

100 YEARS AGO!

Life in Bampton: February 1921

with thanks to Russ Davies

At Tiverton Borough Sessions Mrs. Kennard of Wonham House, Bampton, was fined £1 for causing obstruction by leaving a car unattended in Gold Street, Tiverton, on the 14th February. P.C. Beer stated the car was left unattended for 70 minutes outside Messrs. Wm. Thorne's Ltd.

There was an excellent attendance at the annual meeting of the Bampton Women Liberals' Association. Officers elected for the year were: President, Mrs. F. D. Acland; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Turner; Treasurer, Mrs. W. Knott; Joint Hon. Secretaries, Mrs. W. H. Sampson and Mrs. Gillard.

The death is announced, at the age of 76, of Mr. J. C. Rockett, a well-known Devon farmer and breeder, of Pipshayne, Bampton. He was a native of Hockworthy, but had resided at Pipshayne Farm for half a century. He was at one time Chairman of Bampton Council, and for 40 years he was people's warden for the parish. He was also chairman of the old School Board, a director of the Conservative Club, a member of the Farmers' Union and one of the Bampton Market Trustees. In his younger days he belonged to the Volunteers, and won many prizes for shooting.

The members of the Exeter Diocesan Architectural and Archaeological Society have been privileged to inspect the old glass from one of the windows in Bampton Church. The glass is strangely interesting, and in some respects, unique, for its style is about a century earlier than its actual date, probably between 1501 and 1516.

The licensed houses at Bampton closed at 10 p.m. instead of 11 p.m., with the consent of the Justices. One licensee had been cautioned because, although he did not refuse to supply refreshment, he did not attempt to get it when requested.