100 YEARS AGO! Life in Bampton: September1920

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Knowlman & Sons have been favoured with instructions to offer by SALE BY AUCTION on Bampton Market Day the exceedingly well-situated premises known as the BAMPTON CONSERVATIVE CLUB. Full particulars from the Auctioneers or from Mr. E. F. Row, Solicitor, Bampton.

At Tiverton County Court Ed. Samuel Rowland, Week Farm, Bampton, sued Michael Dennehy, Black Venn, Milverton, farm labourer, for £2 2s. damages for breach of contract. The plaintiff stated that he engaged defendant as a farm labourer, but he left without any notice of any kind. Defendant did not appear, and the Judge made an order for £1 1s, and costs.

Mr. F. G. Webber presided at the monthly meeting of Bampton Council. The rate for the next half-year is the same as for last half, 2s. 4d. in the £. For the disposal of street refuse it was decided to advertise for tenders. The application for the renewal of a stage play license for the Drill Hall, Bampton, was granted.

Harvest thanksgiving services were held at the Baptist Chapel, Bampton. The church was tastefully decorated with vegetables, fruit and flowers by Mesdames J. Berry, Misses Atkins, H. Nott, B. Drewe, V. Berry, M. Turner, Messrs. J. Berry, S. Gibbings. Solos were nicely rendered by Miss H. Nott at the afternoon and evening services. Mr. F. E. Sleeman of Exeter, preached throughout the day. Collections were for the Tiverton and Exeter Hospitals and Bampton Nursing Association.

At a meeting held in Bampton Drill Hall the question arose as to whether the Comrades Club should be continued or not, but owing to such a very small attendance it was decided to call another meeting to decide the matter.

The Chairman (Mr. H. G. New) of the Tiverton Board of Guardians referred to the death of Mr. W. H. Burnett of Bampton, a member of the board, and moved that a vote of condolence be sent to the relatives.