Moorland Farm & Bartletshays containing
151 acres and 3 roods

Moorlands

Moorlands

9 acres	9	0	0
grassfield	8	0	0
9 acres	9		
Furzclose	8		
4 acres	4	2	
5 do	5		
Little 5 acres	5		
6 acres	6		
Ropersleigh	5		
Dunghill	7		
Greyhobclose	4		
Grassyclose	4		
Stone Burrough	6		
3 Acres	3		
Moors the orchard & copse	10		
Pound Land	6		
Old meadow	7		
Parkmead	3		
Hillparks	4		
Copse	1	2	
The 2 acres	2		
Barnsmead	1	3	
House Garden yards	2		
	119	1	
Bartletshays	32	2	
	151	3	
Pound Farm	121	3	

Pound

Reserved rent £2
Value

nohuns bttery

1794 August 12 measure of

	Acres	R	P
Mohuns bttery Farm			
Spurtham Orchard	1	0	0
Nursery plot and orchard			
before the house	5	0	0
	3	2	
Culverhouse close	4		
Sidling culmins close	6		
Hollow do.	8		
middle Culmin	10		
Lower do	10		
Wasp meadow	6		
Longham	4		
Rabbits mead	5		
Bottom mead	4		
2 Island plots	2		
3 Cornerd mead	5		
Wallers plot	12		
Great meadow	16		
Bridge quarter	10		
Bridge quarter mead	10		
Lodge mead	3		
Spurtham mead	9		
Knappey deerpark	14		
Lodge Lawn	14		
Greenlawn	10		
Pittslawn	10		
Lower horse quarter	5		
middle do	3		
Higher do	3	2	
Yonder stoneylawn	15		
Higher do	16		
Strawleas	15		
Great malthouse quarter	5		

cont.

Deerpark mead	7	
Little malthouse quarter	1	2
Warren & warren moore	25	
Palfreys meadow	1	

Spurtham

1794 August 12 Valuation of Spurtham Farm

Spurtam mead
mead
Lower quarter
Lower do mead
Higher Pt of Great mead
Marle pit in Great mead
Higher Quarter
Lower
Higher Ballen Quarter
Lower do
Great north close
Lower north wood
Higher do
Higher
Middle do
Orchard
Dwelling House out Buildings
Courtleage
Little Cops
Little
Green lawn

	£	p	d
Rent then	120.	0.	0
Estimated value	150.	0.	0

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cont. Little Whipings Lawn on Lease to Josiah Warren
20.0.0

Reserved rent
15 6 Value £15

Great
Whippings Pt of little Warren on Lease to
John Guard
32.0.0

Reserved rent
Value £21.0.0

Beacon tenement 20.2.0
Reserved rent
Value 25

Note Some of these spellings could be incorrect.
Photocopies of actual paper in Historyfile.

Population
See page 152
1981

1981 Population Census
Luppitt 433

Answers to "What am I"? Page 33

(a) A Firkin. A small wooden barrel in which the farm labourer carried his cider.

(b) The firedog. A pair was used in the open fireplace on which to rest the logs.

(c) The dairy cow. With natural horns, of course.

South West Tower Buttress

TOWER 1983 Dyer Buttress

At a P.C.C. meeting on 19th July 1983 a report was considered from our Architect Mr Anthony Dyer, who had been asked to inspect and report on the buttress condition as it was causing some concern.

Repairs

He advised deferring work on the north slopes of the roof and to demolish in stages this SW buttress and rebuild. He considered that it had deteriorated substantially since the quinquennial inspection. Further he felt it desireable to do as much pointing as the scaffold would permit.

The P.C.C. meeting agreed to proceed with necessary work on the buttress and to obtain an estimate for scaffolding.

A further meeting on 6th October heard that Mr B Pulman would be unable to do this work until next Spring and April — May was suggested.

An estimate from Key Scaffolding dated 8th September 1983 to provide 13' run and 10' return at 36 ft high for £310 for 4 weeks plus £26 per week thereafter was accepted.

Mr Pulman asked for the scaffold to be ready for him by Monday 28th May 1984. It was delivered to site on 25th May.

1984

Erection work was started on 26th but rain stopped the work and the men returned on Sunday morning. They were sent home by Rev'n. Wall when he arrived for 11 AM service.

Rev Wall

Mr B Pulman was not happy with the amount he had been provided when he arrived on Tuesday. I went to church to see and agreed that it was not as much as we had been promised. I then drove to Ottery St Mary and discussed the amount with the manager and complained about the local feeling on scaffold erection being done at the church on a Sunday. This was accepted and more scaffold promised to enable us to work on the staircase walls in fact 5 ft more than the Sept estimate envisaged to compensate for the Sunday mistake at no further charge. A letter of apology would be written to the Vicar.

Vicar

The bottom stage of the buttress was removed first, after a supporting pipe had been fixed to carry weight above. The base was found at ground level to be very sound and this stage was then rebuilt. As the top stage appeared to be let go from the main tower structure and might not have held with the middle stage removed Mr Pulman decided to start demolishing from the top downwards. This proved to be satisfactory and in fact two strong iron rods were found to be built in tying the buttress back to the main stonework. These were not removed and were built in again.

Mr Pulman was able to erect more of his own scaffold fastened to existing

Roof

towards the nave roof on the east face of the staircase walls enabling him and Mr David Thorne to repair and point much more of the staircase. In some places whole patches of face stones were loose, had to be removed and rebuilt; and at one place right through the wall to the tower

Towel

stairway. As the architect advised, and as was also done when the South Transept walls were rebuilt, stainless steel rods were driven into the main walls and embedded in the newly built buttress. Work was completed in just over 4 weeks.

Costs incurred

		£ p
Gundry & Dyer	Architect	57-50
Key Scaffolding		356-50
Mr B Pulman	Sand & chippings	94-50
	Cement	79-20
	Lime	50-58
	Stainless Steel Rod	63-18
	Labour	1872-65
	V.A.T.	324-02
		2898-13

Bells

'T.W.' Wroth? Window

From the top stage of the scaffolding it was easy to see "T W" cut in the face stone on the left side of the louvered bell chamber window about half way up. Could this have been done by Thomas Wroth of Wellington, the founder of the sixth bell of our present octave?

Also on another stone to the left of this at about the same height "F P 1911"

Pulman

probably Fred Pulman? A photo was taken.

As the P.C.C. did not have sufficient money in reserve a letter was written to the Secretary of the Diocesan Advisory Committee, explaining in detail our position, and enclosing a form for their completion provided by the Incorporated Church Building Society to whom a request for grant aid had been made.

C.B.S. Grant

We were advised to approach the Archdeacon as the D.A.C. had no access to Diocesan funds. Full details were then sent to the Archdeacon, Ven. J. Richards who immediately sent us from the Diocesan Office a cheque for £250 from the Rural Churches Fund.

27/1/85 H.C.P.T.

Correspondence continued with the Historic Churches Preservation Trust who were working in close collaboration with the I.C.B.S. A detailed questionaire was completed and returned and at their insistance Mr. Dyer provided a full specification of the necessary works included in the application form, at a cost of a further £54-50.

Grant 1985 Loan

In January 1985 we were informed that the H.C.P.T. had voted a grant of £1000 and that the I.C.B.S. had offered a loan of £1000 to be repaid in four equal instalments.

Luppitt Sailors

Letter concerning the above
To the Editor "Navy News"

9-55
13/5/54

A recent inquiry which I have had has stirred up thoughts concerning a legend or local tale which might just have some distant roots in fact, and I wondered whether there might be any chance of your being able to help.

See Vol III P 68

From my youth I have heard locally of reference to Luppitt Sailors, and to Luppitt Harbour, the latter being a ford over a stream, more recently piped and concreted over.

This stream at Tapster water, about 5 miles north of Honiton, called the "Love" Rence

Lovapit
Polwhele
Risdon 1811
1797

Polwhele - Lovapit 1797. Risdon - Lovepit 1811. a tributary of the river Otter, said my inquirer, was the scene on a postcard he was shown some years ago with a "mock" battleship on it he thought dated about 1890.

1890

He had had comment made to him that in the past, when a local battle was being fought, sailors from Exeter (or Exmouth) had taken part. I feel certain that I have heard a similar story before at some time.

We know that a famous son of Luppitt went to sight — Sir George Carew, who was lost with "The Mary Rose" — But how would I set about finding whether or not sailors came to Luppitt to fight, and if so, at what likely time. A Royal Navy man suggested I write to 'Navy News" and I remembered that I had picked up a copy when at Yeovilton in 1982. Would you have any suggestions please?

Carew
Mary Rose

1982

John Sage

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Reply 18/5/84

Navy News
HMS Nelson
Portsmouth PO1 3HH

Thank you for your letter of the 13th May concerning "Luffitt Sailors".

We have checked our reference books but I am afraid they do not help in this matter.

However, may I suggest that you write to the Naval Library in London to ask if they can assist. They have a wealth of information on all Naval affairs, and the address to which you should write is:

Naval Library
Ministry of Defence
Empress State Building,
London SW6 1TR

Yours sincerely
R J Tucker (Editor)

Letter to Naval Library London. 21/6/84

9-66

I have recently written to the Editor of "Navy News" asking if he could advise me concerning a local tale of "Luffitt Sailors" a copy of which I enclose.

He tells me that available reference books do not help and advises me to write to you.

Maybe this was too insignificant a matter be recorded, or just does not have any basis in fact.

Any information you can give would be much appreciated in my efforts to record local history.

(Copy of 13/5/84 enclosed)