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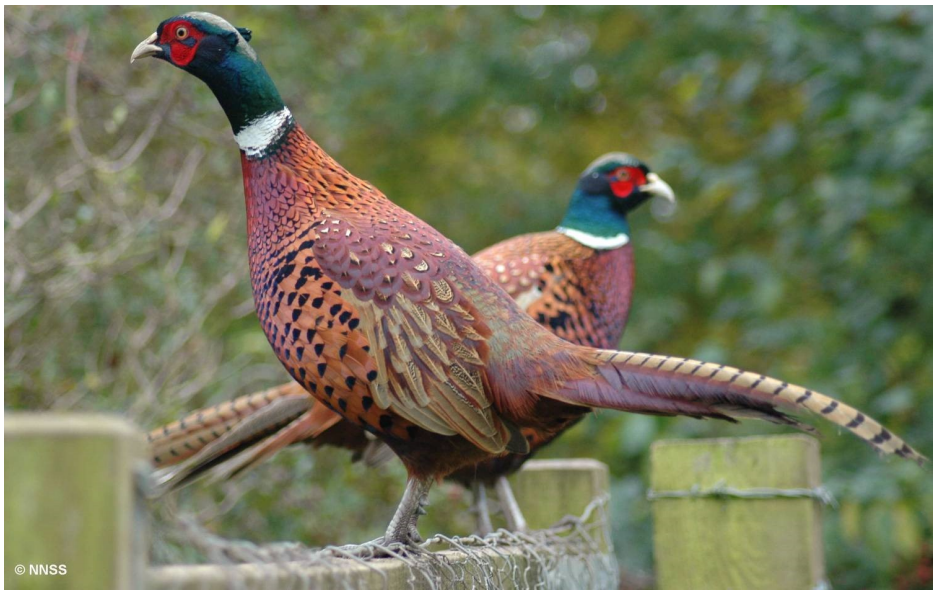
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*Bayford, Brickendon, Essendon,
Little Berkhamsted & Ponsbourne.*

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Rector's Article.

Dear All.

The time of Lent and Easter is a time of reflection. Flashing back on Jesus's journey to the cross for us to be set free, it was a total sacrifice, agape love or unconditional love. As He was heading to the cross, I am amazed at the special mention of the women, who had accompanied Him all the way from Galilee to Jerusalem: Salome, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses. With a unique lustre the dedication of these women stands out. They secretly remained with Christ at the toughest moment.

Another disciple who stood out on this crucial journey was- Joseph of Arimathea, who boldly went to Pilate and requested permission to bury the Lord after Jesus's Christ had given up His spirit on the cross. I can image the surprise to Pilate and the provocation to the other Jews, that a member of the Sanhedrin could decisively stand up for the Crucified Jesus. We us be assured -we are never alone. The act separated Joseph forever from the institution that killed the Lord. In spiritual sense, Joseph buried himself religiously, socially and economically. After the embalment of Jesus's body Jesus was placed in Joseph's new tomb. Jesus did not accumulate wealth during His reign on earth but whenever He needed anything it was available. This is mind blowing!

Fast forward, before dawn on Sunday morning, the two Marys came to see the tomb (Matt:28:1-10. As they arrived, there was a great earthquake, in normal circumstances, an earthquake causes devastating results including death but this one was a unique earthquake. An angel

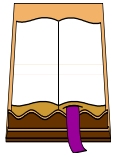
descended from heaven, rolled back the stone from the mouth of the tomb and sat on it. Waah! We serve a living God who has everything under His feet. The Roman guards, frightened, and astonished by this radiant being clothed majestically- fainted.

During His time on earth Jesus would eat with tax collectors, argue with the Pharisees but from the time of His crucifixion to ascension the focus and attention was on those who believed in Him. Taking no notice of the frozen guards, the angel reassured the women that there is nothing to fear, the one they were seeking for was risen. The stone was rolled away for the women to believe that He had risen. The Lord was alive and was to meet them in Galilee. The angel told the women to go quickly and announce the news to His disciples.

In Galilee, the risen Christ met His disciples on a mountain. What a great union. His sufferings were now past. In His glorious body He stood before them. They worshipped the loving and living God – some doubted but Christianity is a journey of trust and faith. The risen Christ told them that all authority had been given to Him in heaven and on earth. He gave them a commission with three commands not suggestions –“ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations”. Let us not loss hope – He is alive.

Revd Theresa Musiwacho

PARISH REGISTER



Deaths

25th January 2024 Julian Usher SMITH,
30th January 2024 Charles Graham BRETT
26th January 2024 Revd Margaret COTTON

Essendon
Essendon

Interment of Ashes

Brian ROBERTS died 21st November 2023

Essendon

Prayer Share Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



Situation Vacant

For the past couple of years, Mike and Sue Wainwright have been carrying out the duties of General Distributor, in addition to Mike's principal role as Editor of our Parish Magazine. This was only intended to be an interim arrangement, until such time that another of our readers stepped forward to assume this role on a more permanent basis

To this end, we are looking for somebody to assume the role of General Distributor, with immediate effect. The monthly duties include (complete details will be provided):

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 - * Splitting out the boxes of magazines between the required number for each of the six distributors.
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- Should you be interested in playing a

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Mike Wainwright,
Editor: parishmag@begesford.co.uk
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MARCH CALENDAR

Sunday 3th March Third Sunday of Lent

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon
9:30 am, Family Service, Ponsbourne
11:00 am, Parish Communion, Brickendon

Sunday 10th March , Fourth Sunday of Lent, Mothering Sunday

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Bayford
9:30 am, Family Service, Essendon
11:00 am, Family Service, Little Berkhamsted

Sunday 17st March , Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Ponsbourne
11:00 am, Family Service, Brickendon

Sunday 24th March, Palm Sunday

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted
11:00 am, Family Service, Bayford

Friday 29th March, Good Friday

10:00 am, Zoom Service
12:00 noon, 1 Hour at the Cross, Little Berkhamsted
6:30 pm, Evening Service, Essendon

Saturday 30th March, Easter Sunday

7:30 pm, Easter Lights Vigil, Ponsbourne

Sunday 31th March, Easter Sunday

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon
9:30 am, Parish Communion, Ponsbourne
11:15 am, Parish Communion, Bayford
11:15 am, Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted

Sunday 7th April Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon
9:30 am, Family Service, Ponsbourne
11:00 am, Parish Communion, Brickendon

Wednesdays

9:30 am, Holy Communion, Essendon
10:00 am, Telephone Service Free

For joining instructions see
hartfordhundred@outlook.com

Weddings, Baptisms and other matters.

Saturday Registration is held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month
at 10.00 am to 11.30 am in Little Berkhamsted Church.

No appointment necessary

2024 APCMs

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As we enter a new calendar year, we are taking this opportunity to advise all of our current supporters of the subscription rates for 2024.

Increases in the cost of living never seem to be out of the news, adversely affecting all of us whichever way we turn. The parish magazine has not been exempted from such price increases, which has seen the costs of printing continue to rise year-on-year.

However, acknowledging that 'times are tough' and the need to remain competitive, we have decided to maintain next year's subscription rates at 2023 levels, except for those receiving the magazine through the post, which reflects recent significant increases introduced by Royal Mail:

Annual subscription: £8.00
Monthly rate: 80p
Postal rate (2nd class): £27.00

We believe that the magazine offers excellent value for money and will allow us to continue to financially support both local and national initiatives that are compatible with our objectives.

We trust we will be able to count upon your continued support next year, what with the magazine being such an integral part of the support network within our parishes.

PC

Bayford Knitters



Essendon Vestry Minute Book, 1833 – 1917.

Herts Archives have entered our ‘Zeppelin book’ for
Hertfordshire Museum Object of the Year.

Please vote!!

Hertfordshire Archives holds many parish records but only one believed to have been damaged by enemy action. This vestry minute book (DP/37/8/16) was damaged during the airship raid on Essendon in September 1916, in which Captain William Leefe Robinson won the Victoria Cross for shooting down an airship. The damage, believed to be from shrapnel, includes holes piercing the front cover and evidence of scorching. You can see the vestry minute book on display at Hertfordshire Archives and Local Studies library. If you would like to cast a vote for the Herts Museum Object of the year visit www.hertfordshiremuseums.org.uk, or scan the code.



Bayford Knitters

We sent 60 knitted mice to the **Battersea Cats Home** in response to an article in their supporters' newsletter.

We are now making “**dementia twiddle muffs**” for residents of a local nursing home.

We meet the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 8pm in the Farmers Boy. All welcome. Please call Caroline Fletcher for more information on 07919 317212.

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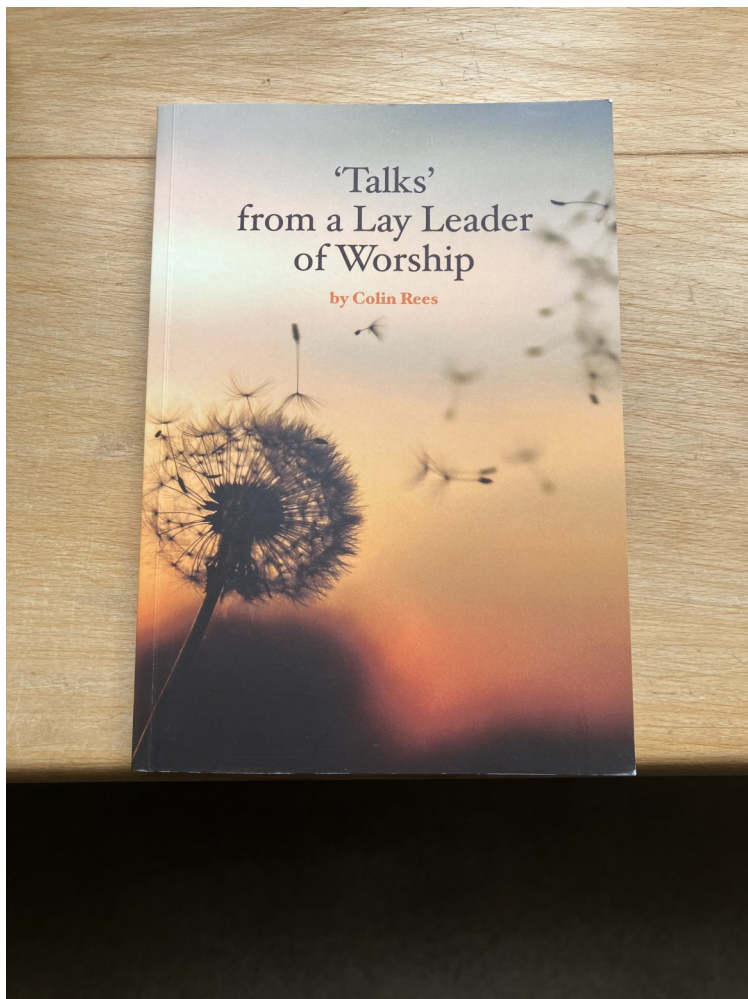
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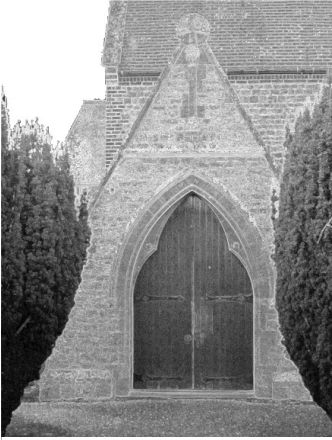
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River Lea Floods, St Mary's Lane. February.





Bayford

St. Mary's Church

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CHURCH CLEANING

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FLOWERS

No flowers during Lent.

BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

To read the minutes and agendas just Google '*Bayford Parish Council*' and follow the link to '*Minutes*'.

The Baker Arms

We have obtained a valuation for the Baker Arms and have discussed this with McM. It may require several more meetings before we reach a consensus, but we are making progress.

We are in the process of setting up a CBS (Community Benefit Society) by which we will be able to obtain government funding for our bid and to provide a framework for managing the pub.

The Old Playground.

Gavin Nelson continues to update us on the progress as Bonnel Homes negotiates its way through the red tape of EHDC Planning Department.. Most of the overgrowth of vegetation has been cut down.

Meetings.

25th March, Monday

Please check the web site.

Michael Wainwright (Dr),
Chairman.

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Friends of the Baker Arms

Roadmap to re-opening the Baker Arms

With the pub now listed as an Asset of Community Value (ACV) we have informed AHDC that we intend to make a bid for the pub. We have obtained a professional commercial valuation and written to McM to get their response.. This may trigger a further meeting with Tom McMullen. We are starting the process to set up a Community Benefit Society and Community Interest Company which will allow us to receive funding from the government scheme.

Friends in all the right places

We're not going it alone! An

The Baker Arms

application has been lodged with the Plunkett Foundation, a charity that offers help and professional advice to groups in rural areas seeking to acquire and run community-owned businesses. FOBA have had a number of Zoom meetings with our Plunkett consultant, Mark Golding, which were extremely useful. We're also hearing from other community pub groups, like the Red Lion in Aston who have recently opened under community ownership. Some great people have offered to help - we'd love to hear from anyone else who has expertise in community engagement, the planning system, development and construction, fundraising and food and drink.

Please follow, like and share on social media for all the latest campaign news.

www.friendsofbakerarms.org
hello@friendsofbakerarms.org

The Right of Way Issue.

In September (a few months after the closure of the pub), large planters were placed across the entry/exit to the car park to prevent vehicle access. Although a gap was left so walkers could still pass through, large signs were fixed to the planters stating 'No Public Right of Way'. The route via the car park provides the only safe way between Ashendene Road and Brickendon Lane because it avoids the very dangerous bend in the road where there is no footpath. Therefore, it has always been much used by walkers, especially those going to the station, and also horse riders.

The 'blocking' of this route was

discussed at a Parish Council meeting and, as the future of the pub and its land are uncertain and the signs use the legal wording to challenge the public's right to use the route, it was agreed that an application should be made to Hertfordshire County Council to record the route as a public right of way.

To claim a right of way through public use you need to provide evidence that it has been used openly (without force, secrecy or permission) for the last 20 years. We will be circulating 'User Evidence Forms' to Bayford residents to collect this information but if you live outside the village and have used this route regularly between 2003-2023 we would be interested to hear from you. Please contact Andrea Trendler on 01992 511588.





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15th & 22nd
29th

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Julie Pickering
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Book Club - meets every first Tuesday of the month at 8pm, contact **Andrea Trendler for venue - 01992 511588**

Pilates - Every Tuesday morning in Fanshaws Room (the village hall) at 9.15am, to register contact **Harriet Barton, 07944 500504 or pilateswithharriet@hotmail.com**

Fanshaws Room

(the Village Hall)

The Village Hall in Brickendon is a lovely space for meetings, children's parties and other gatherings. More details and photos can be found on the village website www.brickendon-liberty.org.uk

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Phone **01992 511551** for further information or to make a booking.

Tennis Courts.

The fee for hire is still £5 per court per hour for everyone. Last summer the courts and pavilion were renovated and are in excellent condition.

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Brenda Lambie



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Tuesday 5.30 - 7pm
Thursday 10am - 12 noon

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Contact Janet 01992 511515



Oak Processionary Moths

We have had an expert look at the problem in the Churchyard and at his recommendation the lower branches of the oaks have been cut off, and the ropes taken away. We will now wait until late Spring to monitor the trees when the moths start to breed.



Parish Council

Meetings

Meetings are normally held in the Fanshaws Room at 7.30pm and all parishioners are welcome to attend and to raise any issues of concern. Agendas are posted on noticeboards at least 3 days before the meeting.

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March Services. See opposite and page 5.

**Can you help us out at services now
and then please?**

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We are preparing a list of people to include and ask anyone in the Group area, if they wish, to have their name and phone number included. We also have top flight organists prepared to give 'Transition organ tuition' to skilled and capable piano players at low hourly rates. Email me if interested.

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For Tickets contact

Hilary Pickard on 07974231206 or hilarypickard@hotmail.com

Mandy Nevel on 07967500289 or mandynevel@gmail.com

Please advise dietary requirements

Mothering Sunday is on Sunday 10th March so on that Sunday, as well as the services at Bayford and Little Berkhamsted, there will also be a Family Service at 9.30am at Essendon.

There will not be the usual Family Service at Essendon at 9.30am on Sunday 17th March.

ESSENDON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the March meeting, **Wednesday 20th**, the WI will be entertained by Chris Truran, ex. Metropolitan Police Scenes of Crimes Officer, who will tell us all about **DABS and DNA**. This will cover the development of fingerprints and subsequent development and use of DNA.



Lots of interesting speakers have been booked for Essendon WI during 2024.

Guests always very welcome. Please call Lyn McCash 07971 909540 for more details"

GARDENING in MARCH

The unusual weather patterns we seem to have had over recent months make planning ahead very far from easy but our gardens are very resilient and may this March bring a bit of normality once again! It has been a delight once more seeing the snowdrops, crocuses and other early Spring bulbs followed by the amazing hellebores and it is also a joy watching the buds develop on the early shrubs.

If you are planning new borders, March is the time to do this before new growth becomes too fast. All Gardeners will be praying that the soil will be beginning to gradually warm up so, if you are planning a new border and conditions are fit, start by clearing and preparing the soil, working it over well by using any spare composted material for nature to work on.

Hopefully there will be warmer days this month when herbaceous plants can be divided and, if handled carefully, re-planted, watered in well and the weather is reasonable, they should soon 'take off'.

There is still time to sow tomato seed indoors, so choose favourites, even trying a new variety. Key flowers to consider for the Spring are Cowslips, Primroses, Hellebores, Snake's head fritillaries and Crown Imperials – spoil yourselves should you be able to purchase any of these!

Other things to be done! Cut back hardy Fuchsias to control the size of the shrub and take your Dahlias out of their 'winter storage' checking that there are no rotten or shrivelled tubers – pot them up then they can grow with some protection before finally putting them in place once frosts are over. Give them a good soak when they go into the cold frames or greenhouse and protect them from late frosts.

Germander Speedwell

Essendon Nature Notes

Surprisingly a pheasant has suddenly started appearing regularly in the garden in recent weeks. It gives the dogs something to chase but despite its size and ungainliness it always manages to escape. There is something slightly comical about it as it scuttles away, head pointing upwards like a stout man running for a bus. We are allowed to talk about this bird without much reverence given its status as an introduced game bird, its numbers boosted each year by the release of large numbers bred in captivity. Nonetheless this native of Asia has been here so long, probably since the Romans, that it has established itself as a mainstay of our image of the English countryside. Whilst game managed woodland is usually beneficial for wildlife, as an introduced species the pheasant's impact is not necessarily all positive and the increase in predator populations such as foxes can have a detrimental impact on other ground-

nesting species.

On closer inspection the male really is magnificent with its chestnut body and iridescent green head. Despite the flamboyance of their coloration, it provides surprisingly good camouflage and you can often find yourself alongside them before they finally get flushed and startle you, flying off with a characteristic and guttural "cok-cok-cok" and a noisy flapping of wings. The hen is less showy and more restrained, its brown and black mottled plumage an understated counterpoint to the male's flashy exuberance.

The entrance to the Village Hall has a faded print of one on the wall, perhaps analogous to this overlooked species itself. However, it is March and the pheasant is now safe until October, at least from the guns, giving us a chance to take a new look at this old bird.

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The agenda will be published on the website and village noticeboard during the week before the meeting. Residents are welcome to send questions and comments to the clerk by Monday 4th March to be included on the agenda, at clerk@essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk or attend the meeting and ask in person. You are also invited to view the new Essendon Parish Council website at www.essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk which will continue to have new content added.

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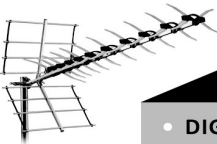
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THANK YOU EVERYONE INVOLVED.

News from Little Berkhamsted Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 20th March 2024** at 7.30pm in the village hall. The agenda is published on the website and village noticeboard the week before the meeting and residents are welcome to send questions and comments to the clerk beforehand, clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk or attend the meeting and ask in person.



Volunteers needed to arrange the village's commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the D Day landings.

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The official 'unveiling' will be at the **Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 24th April at 7.30pm.** As usual, after a short report on the activities of the Parish Council there will a chance for everyone to catch up with friends and neighbours over complimentary wine and nibbles.

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At Essendon considerable damage was done. The storm raged with great fury, and was accompanied by hail, similar to that which fell in the metropolis. Some of the hail stones, which were picked after the storm, measured three inches in circumference. The damage done to the gardens and green houses of C. J. Dimsdale, Esq., of Essendon-place, was very extensive. Besides a large quantity of fruit being bruised, and vegetables cut to pieces by the terrific showers of hail, no less than 3000 panes of glass were broken. Many of the windows of the dwelling-house were also destroyed.

The houses the village and the old church also shared in the devastation occasioned by the "pitiless storm." After the showers were over, a great number of birds were found dead. Camfield-place, the seat of Baron Dimsdale; and Bedwell, the seat of Sir Culling Eardley Smith, have also suffered injury, scarcely less extent than that described to have occurred at Essendon-place.

At Bedwell Park farm, where a boy in the service of Mr. Rayment was in charge of a horse and cart, the horse, affrighted by the vivid lightning, started off, throwing down the boy, who received such severe injuries from the cart passing over him, that he died a few hours afterwards.

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The blacksmith's shop, Essendon photographed in 1865.

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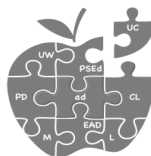
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