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Sources for CLEOBURY MORTIMER

This guide gives a brief introduction to the variety of sources available for the parish of Cleobury Mortimer at Shropshire Archives.

Printed sources:.

General works - These may also be available at the local library

- Eyton, *Antiquities of Shropshire*
- *Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological Society*
- *Shropshire Magazine*
- Trade Directories which give a history of the town, main occupants and businesses, 1828-1941
- Victoria County History of Shropshire
- Parish Packs
- Monumental Inscriptions

Small selection of more specific texts (search www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a more comprehensive list)

- **QC64** The history of the parish of Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire – *S F F Auchmuty*
- **QC66.9** Cleobury Mortimer in times past – *David Carr*
- **C01/1803A** A sketch of the parish of Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire – *Frances C Childe (in volume of pamphlets)*
- **P66.9 Reading Room** Cleobury Mortimer: the past in pictures – *John Davies*



William Handley was found guilty of attempted murder in 1833. Along with John Handley he had been shooting at John Bannock, a gamekeeper from Cleobury Mortimer. Although both men were tried for the crime, only William Handley was found guilty. The details of the case are given in this 'penny dreadful'. These were a dramatised account of the crime, which were sold at the public execution of the condemned.



Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
Church of the Virgin Mary parish church	1601-1931	1601-1925 / 1754-1812 & 1854-1966	1601-1912
Catholic Registers – Only those more than 100 years old may be searched			
Mawley Hall St Mary Roman Catholic Church (later Cleobury St Elizabeth)	1763-2003 from 1931 originals only	1772-1951	1771-1814 deaths & 1849-1951 burials
Methodist records can be accessed with a readers ticket – see Methodist Circuit Records			

Up to 1900, registers are on www.findmypast.co.uk

Census returns

1841, 1851(indexed), 1861, 1871, 1881 (searchable database on CDROM), 1891 and 1901.
Census returns for the whole country can also be looked at for free on the Ancestry.com website on the computers at Shropshire Archives.

Maps

Ordnance Survey maps 25" to the mile and 6 "to the mile, c1880, c1901
(OS reference old series: LXXX.2; new series: SO 6774)
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)

Newspapers

Shrewsbury Chronicle, 1772 onwards (NB from 1950 as originals only – Reader's Ticket required)
Shropshire Star, 1964 onwards

To see these sources you need a Shropshire Archives Reader's Ticket.

School Records

Manager's Minutes (ED2699/38/16)
Manager's Minutes Childe's Senior /Secondary Modern School 1938-1964 (ED2782/3)
Management of School (ED5505/H/1/1, 2/1, 3/1 & 3/2)

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

Bridgnorth and Cleobury Mortimer Poor Law Union Records (PL3 and PL5) -) - see www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a list
South Shropshire District Council Records (DA39)
Quarter Sessions records (ref: Q) - see www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a list.

Estate records

Deeds of Woodhouse Estate, near Cleobury Mortimer 1551-1863 (3738)
Account books, deeds and papers 19th century (6963)
Childe of Kinlet collection (3320)
See www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr for manorial records

Other records

Wills for Shropshire post 1858 – Earlier wills may be found at Hereford Diocesan Record Office
Photographs and Postcards
And much much more!

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