

Quarrington township — Whelans' Durham Book, 1st Edition (1855) (*full text*) (p.605-6)

Quarrington township is principally leasehold property and the Bishop of Durham is lord of the manor.

Its area is 1,589 acres, and its rateable value £3,294.

It contained

in 1801	112 inhabitants;
in 1811,	143;
in 1821	177;
in 1831,	173;
in 1841,	732,
and in 1851,	1,063 souls.

Heugh Hall, Bowburn and Crow Trees Collieries are in this township, and afford employment to the greater portion of the inhabitants.

Quarrington is supposed to derive its name from the quarries in the neighbourhood. About the year 1183, the village was the capital of a district called Queringdonshire, which included Sherburn, Shadforth and Cassop; the punder of which had 20 acres as the fee of his office, and rendered six score hens and 1,000 eggs.

In the time of Bishop Pudsey, four caracutes of Queringdon demesne, with the sheep, stock and pasture, were in the lord's hands. The grieve held an ox-gang of land for his service, and the smith twelve acres. This shire paid 64s. for cornage, and provided three milchen cows. At the time of Hatfield's Survey, Queringdon Grange, with its demesne, meadows and pasture, was held by the master of Sherburn Hospital, under the yearly rent of £18 18s.

The village of Quarrington is situated about five miles south-east of the city of Durham.

Bell, John, vict. *Crow Trees*
Carr, William, vict. *Bridge Inn* and blacksmith,
Four Mile Bridge
Curry, John, vict. *West Hetton Inn*
Elliott, William, boot and shoemaker
Forster, Ann, vict. *Heugh Hall Inn*
French, John, wheelwright, Four Mile Bridge
Heron, Eleanor, vict. *Pit Laddie*, Crow Trees
Heron, William, blacksmith, Crow Tress
Johnson, Richard S., colliery viewer, West Hetton
Lodge
Kellett, George, under viewer
Lowe, Teresa, schoolmistress, Crow Trees
Mezies [*sic*] George Dixon, land agent for West
Hetton Coal Co., Quarrington Hill
Newton, James, grocer and draper, Coxhoe
Newton, John, vict. *Hare and Hounds* and
shoemaker, Bowburn
Siddle, Robert, butcher

Farmers:

Bell, John (yeoman), Crow Trees
Forster, Ann
Lee, William, Heugh Hall
Harrison, Anthony
Humphrey, Alfred, Stand Alone
Quelch, John G. (yeoman), Bowhams Villa [*sic*]
Reed, John (yeoman) Park Hill
Story, William