

Burney Bit

A cottage used to stand in Burney Bit which was named 'The Laurels'. This became number 7 Burney Bit when numbering was introduced. It was the home of Frederick Monger and family in the early 1900s.

Frederick Monger and Sarah Stroud were married at Pamber Priory Church on the 14th of April 1894 and they both appear in Charles and Alice Stroud's 1893 wedding photograph in this book - see **Weddings of Pamber Heath People**.

Frederick was the son of George and Esther Monger of Pamber Heath and Sarah was the daughter of William Stroud, the village shop-keeper in the late 1800s and early 1900s, and Jane Stroud. See **Stroud's Shop**.

Frederick Monger junior is missing from this photograph but he does appear on the 1927 wedding picture of Bertha Monger, later in this book, along with the rest of his family. He married Mabel Broadhurst in 1922.

Leslie Monger married Florence Mills at Sherborne St. John Church in 1929.

Nora sadly died from an illness at an early age. Bertha married William Devonish in 1927. Edith (Edie) married William Long in 1930.

Frederick senior also appears in a photograph taken at a cricket club fete and in one taken on a visit to Jobs Dairy around 1958. Sarah appears in a photograph with some Pamber Heath ladies. For all these, see **Social Events**.



Frederick Monger and family around 1915

Back: Leslie **Middle row, left-right:** Nora, Bertha
Front row, left-right: Frederick, Edith, Sarah

Village Memories

Pearl Chapman (formerly Monger) said that she was born in the cottage pictured above (Pearl is Nora's daughter). She also mentioned that Leslie and Florence Monger used to live in a cottage which stood roughly where number 62 Burney Bit does today. Leslie and Florence were recorded living at number 23 in 1975. Edith and William Long lived in a thatched cottage in **Impstone Road**. Edith was better known as 'Edie'. Sarah died around 1952 but Frederick Monger lived to a ripe old age and was a popular figure in the village.

Barbara Stroud recalled that there was a path beside 'The Laurels' and some locals were allowed take a short-cut to the field behind where the old **Memorial Hall** stood. This saved a long walk by road to get to **Stroud's Shop** in **Pamber Heath Road**.

NOAH MONGER & FAMILY

Noah Monger was referred to in the **Sale of Lots, 1897**. He was renting Lot 29 - see the map earlier in this section for the location.

In 1907, at the time of the baptism of his son, Leonard William, at Pamber Priory Church, a Noah Monger was living in Pamber Heath with his wife, Beatrice. He was a coalman.

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WALTER HICKS & FAMILY

Beulah Monger said this family lived in Burney Bit at one time (number 9). She remembered the names Keziah, Walter and Elijah Hicks.

Keziah married Albert Frankham at Pamber Priory Church in 1932. Her father was named as Walter Hicks, a labourer.