

# Industry in Victorian York, with a focus on Clementhorpe

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# The York economy by the 1840s

## Overview:

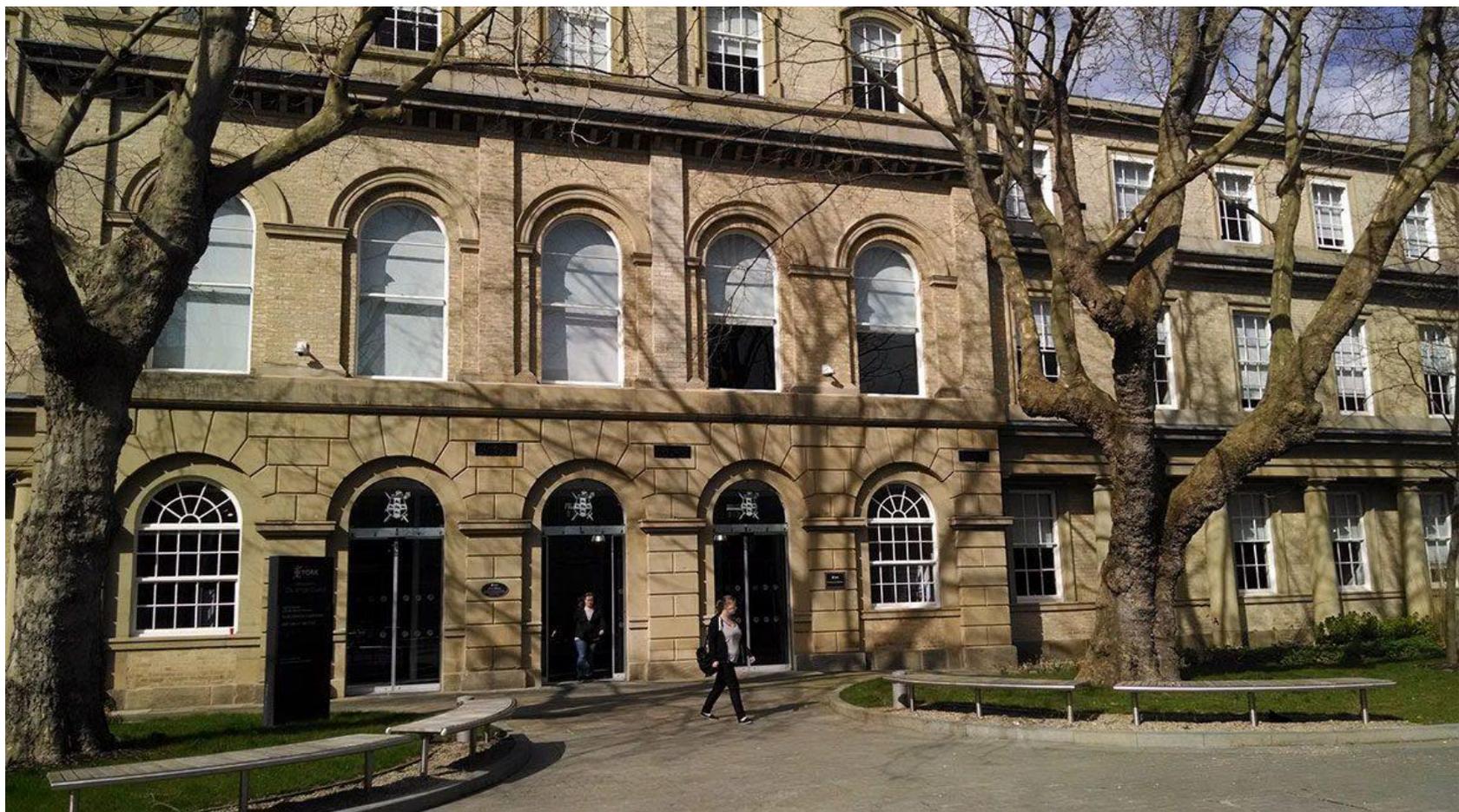
- York on the cusp of industrial change. 1840s – service sector dominates York employment.
- Essentially the industrial revolution passes York by (at least initially) – so York is still largely a pre-industrial town by then.
- Still a market town, relying on the gentry etc – commercial and mercantile function

## Where did people work?

- Large % of the workforce in:
- Domestic service, clothing trades (tailors, milliners, dressmakers and shoemakers) and shopkeepers – many sold food or other locally produced necessities
- Only 8.9% of the male workforce was engaged in more 'modern manufacturing' - glass, ironworks, boot and shoe makers

# The start of bigger things ...

41 railway-related jobs in 1841, 513 in 1851



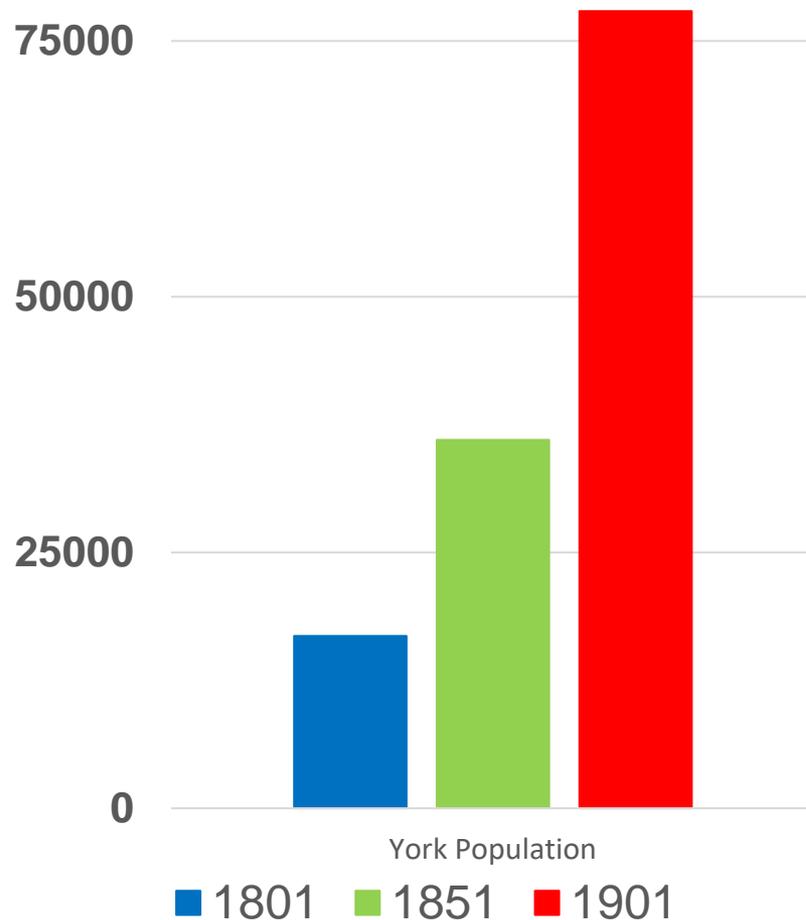
# Insurance and retail – growing sectors for work



# During the 19<sup>th</sup> century.....

The population of York grows

and the railways transform the city



# York's economy by 1900

Manufacturing was switching rapidly from handicrafts to factories – led by rail works.

Absolute decline in employment in agriculture

Still important domestic service employment

Big rise in numbers in local and central government and the Army



# By 1900 in York....

Substantial  
employment  
growth in the  
railways –  
also  
confectionery  
and flour  
milling

Elsewhere in  
York largely  
small-scale  
production  
with market  
town  
elements



# Clementhorpe and environs (Imagine York)



# Clementhorpe

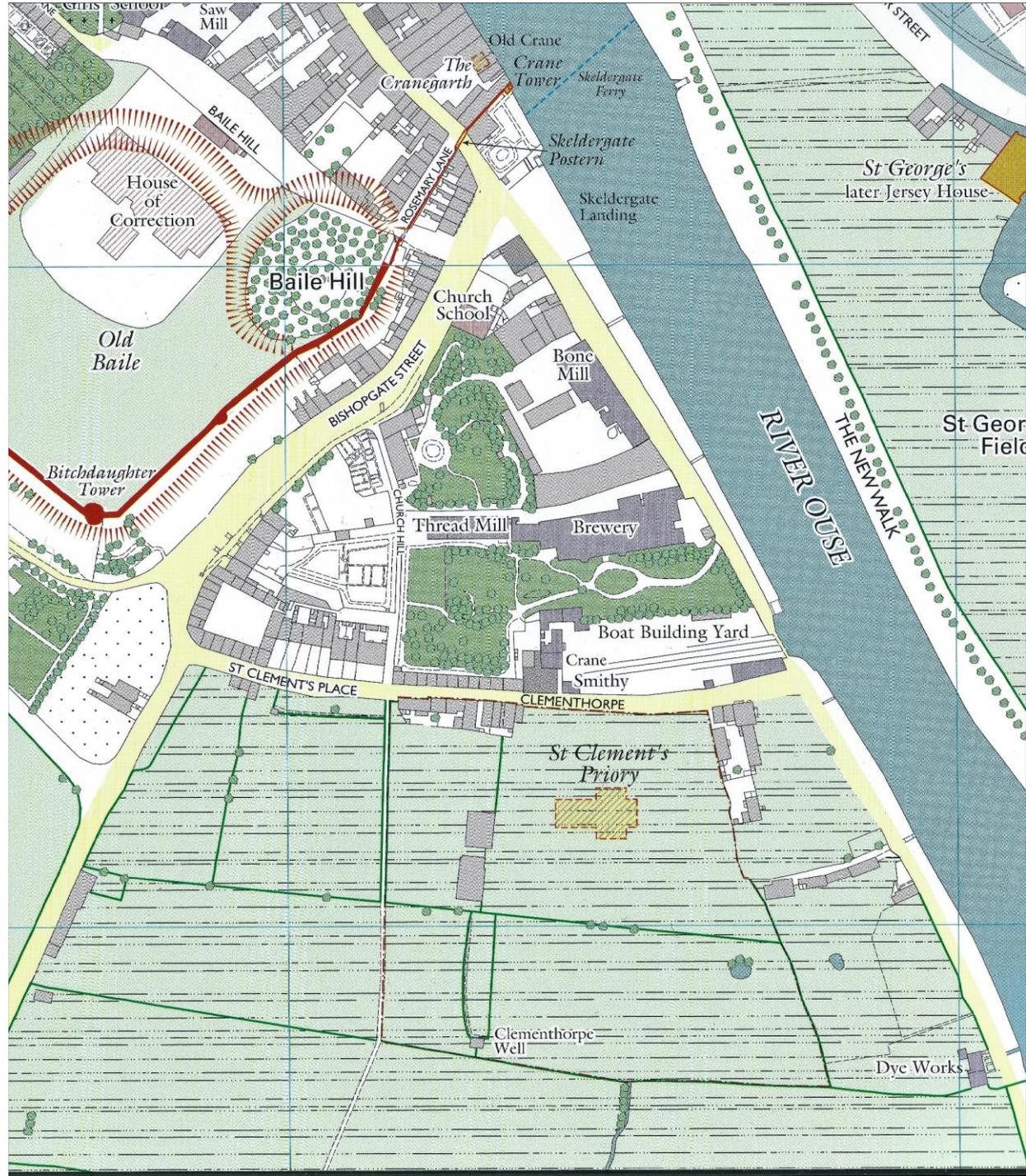
**NB See the work on the website of John Stevens and Mave Morris of the Clements Hall Local History Group.**

1840 – 17  
manufacturers  
in  
Clementhorpe  
All small scale  
distribution and  
handicraft  
manufacture  
Boatbuilding  
Beer houses/  
brewers and  
shops



# Map 1853

Ordnance  
Survey  
extract  
(British  
Historic  
Towns  
Atlas –  
York)



# The Slip Inn – award-winning!



# The Swan



**Boats could be moored outside the industrial premises.....**



# Horse drawn travel – and horses in industry





1905  
THE LIFE OF HIS BEAST



# Terry's Chocolate Factory 1974

(Source: Imagine York)





WATERFRONT HOUSE

NO MOORING

# Riverside Cottage

Horse  
Keeper's  
house for  
the Co-Op  
Society  
Works



# Calvert's Iron Foundry – Lendal Bridge tragedy

(Picture: York Explore)

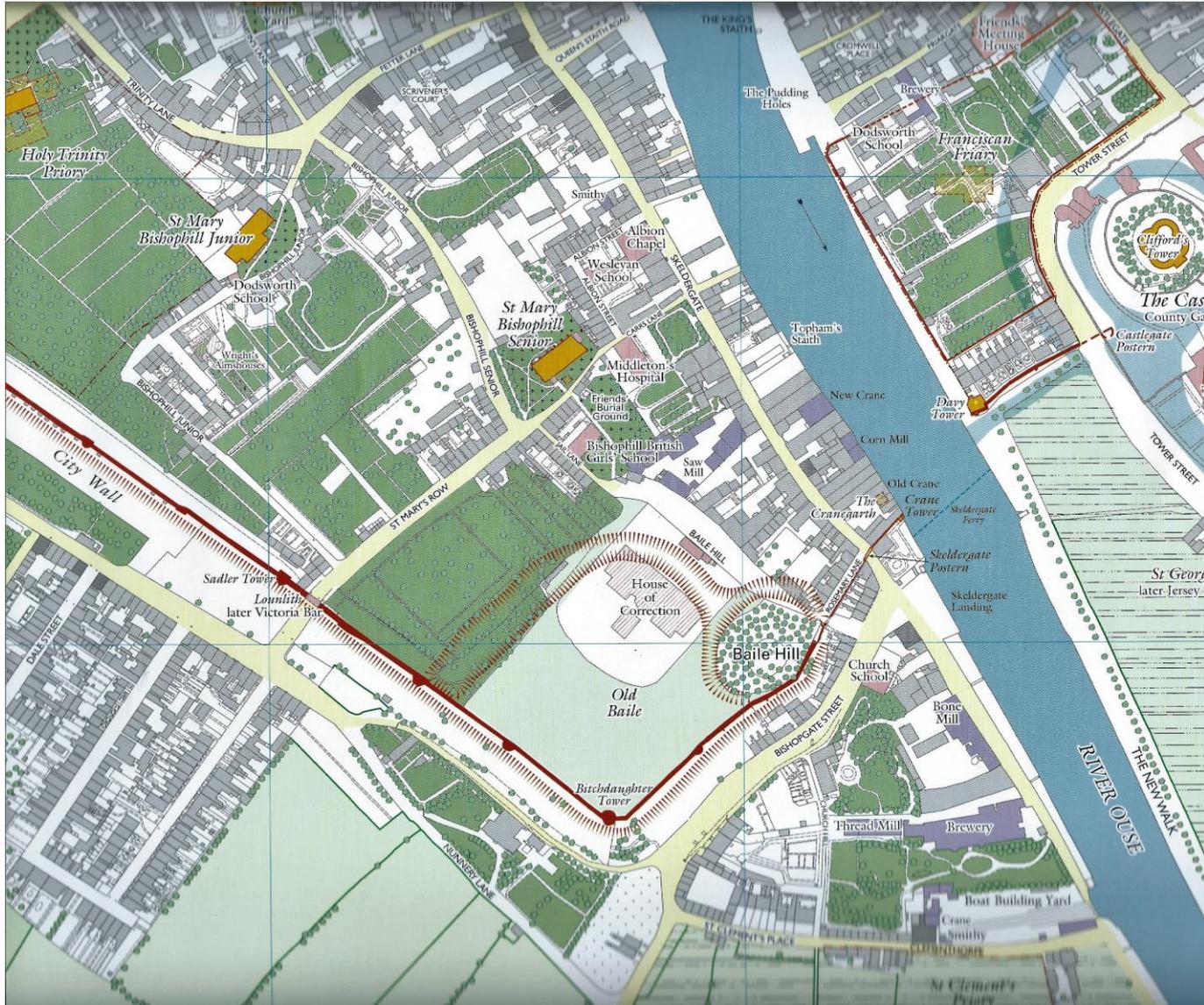


# Clementhorpe Maltings



# A quick look next door – Skeldergate etc

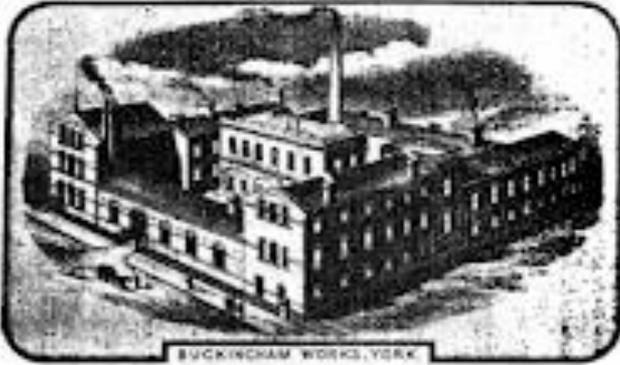
(Source: British Historic Towns Atlas – York)



# Skeldergate



# Thomas Cooke Buckingham Works



COOKES FACTORY BUILT ON THE SITE OF THE DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM'S HOUSE IN 1855, NOW THE SITE OF LAMBERT COURT ADJACENT TO THE COMMUNITY GARDEN OPPOSITE THIS PUB.



COOKES NO 2 FACTORY AT BISHOPHILL SENIOR BUILT 1915



# Bonding Warehouse



# Hotels



# Photo-credits:

- Clements Hall History Group
- York Explore
- York Archaeological Trust (1852 map)
- York Art Gallery
- Ian Tempest



# Further information

- History Group weblink:

<http://www.clementshallhistorygroup.org.uk/projects/clementhorpe-200-years-of-work-and-industry/>

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