

GOSSAGE. Llewellyn Charles & STEPHENSON. John Carson The Palace, High Street, BURTON LATIMER

Information regarding the above two gentlemen is sparse other than that they both served in the armed forces during the first World War. The address shown is that of Gossage's parents, whilst the two gentlemen who are the subject of this paper became managers at the former Coffee House and Liberal Club that is now Barclay's Bank.

The Kettering Urban District Council's Streets, Buildings & Sanitary Committee at their meeting of 29th January 1919 granted an Omnibus Licence to J E Stephenson of Burton Latimer. It seems highly likely that this was John Carson Stephenson and that the initial "E" shown in the U.D.C. Minutes was a clerical error.

Later in the year a Fiat 35 horsepower 3-4 ton motor lorry with a van body, painted green with white lettering and registered BD 3848, was registered to Gossage & Stephenson on 25th October 1919 and was licensed as a public conveyance as well as a goods vehicle. It is presumed that Messrs Gossage & Stephenson used BD 3848 for private hires and possibly excursion work emanating from the Liberal Club for at least a year or two but by February 1922 the Fiat was in the hands of F W Gates of Islip (NN-GA3).

Rolling Stock:

REGN. NO.	CHASSIS		BODY TYPE/ SEATS	DATES			PREVIOUS OWNER	INITIAL DISPOSAL	NOTES
	MAKE	NO.		NEW	S/H	W/D			
BD 3848	Fiat 35hp	18.b.l 3-4 ton	Van/ Bus	10/19	—	by 2/22	—	F W Gates, Islip	