

The WOMEN of Trentham in 1918



Mary Brassington

née Mellor was born in Stone in 1860. She married William Brassington, a farmer, in April 1896 and they lived at New Inn Mill on New Inn Lane, Trentham.

Mary's son, William was born in 1899, followed by two more children Margery and Charles.

William (Snr) died leaving Mary to run the mill with her son, William, who was able to claim exemption from conscription to fight in 1916.

New Inn Mill had been in existence for many years, first a corn mill and then milling flint for the pottery industry.

In 1911 the Brassingtons were tenants of the Duke of Sutherland but at the 1919 auction Mary bought the mill for £3,250.

Mary died in 1933 but the mill is still owned by the Brassington family.

Mary Brassington was on the 1918 Register of Electors.