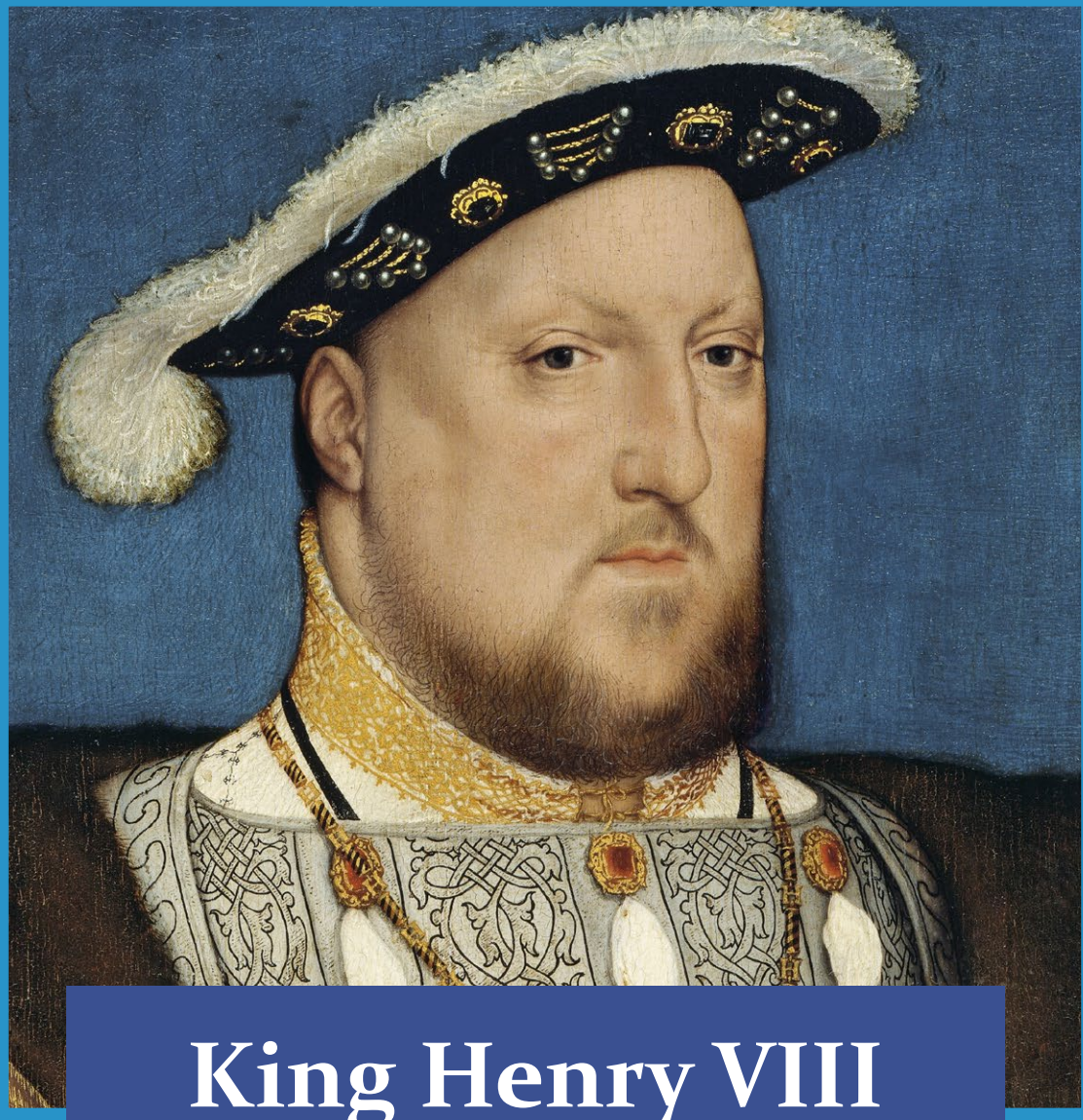


1509-1547



King Henry VIII

1605



The Gunpowder Plot hatched by Guy Fawkes and his associates is foiled.

1516

A Tudor survey makes reference to an area called Old Moor being unenclosed. Modern day Old Moor is roughly 260 acres. It states that Roger Wombwell owns 1120 acres (1.75 sq miles) of land in Wombwell. By 1764 the Wombwell family would own 2400 acres (3.75 sq miles).



1666



The Great Fire of London

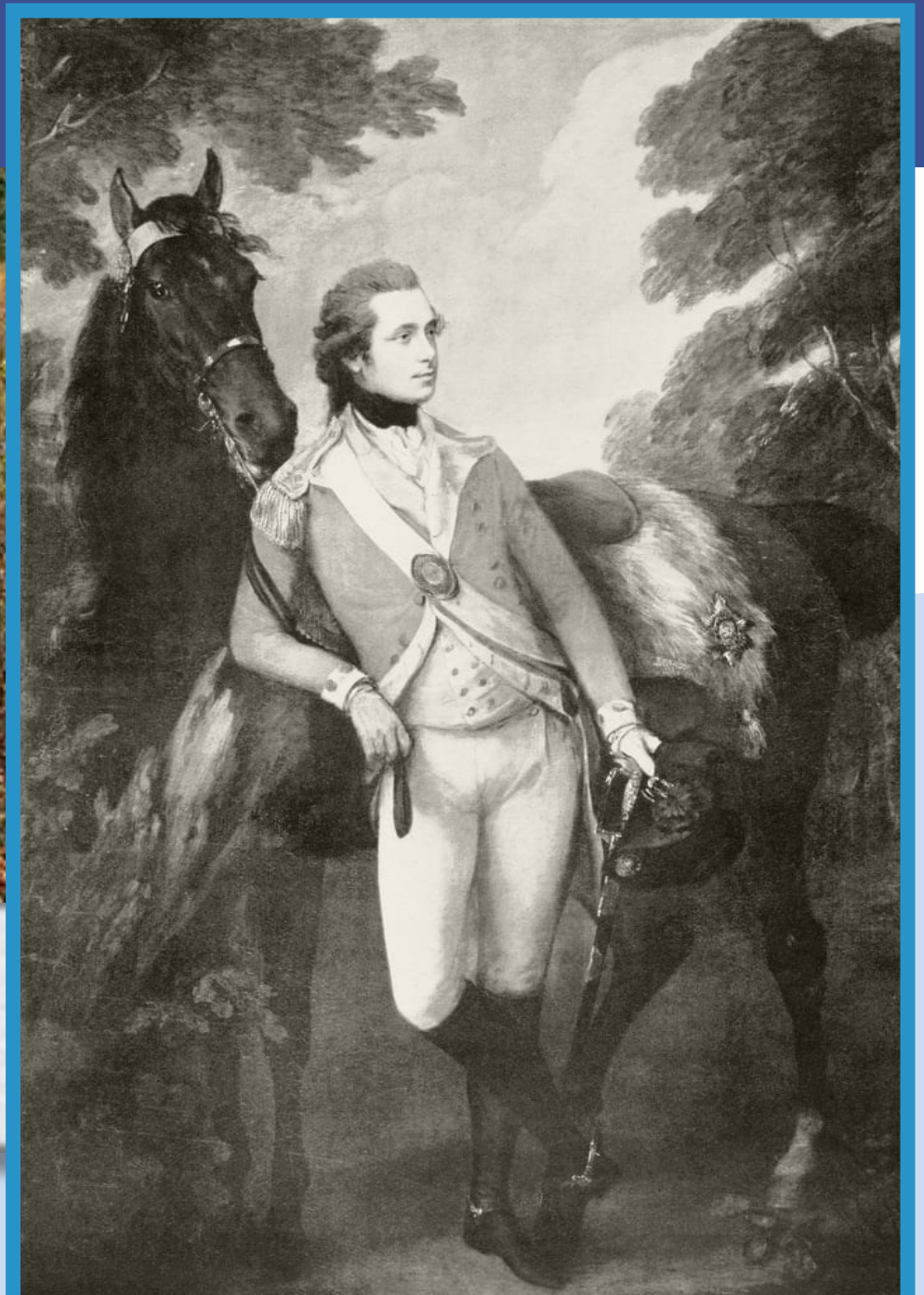
1620

A Tudor survey reveals that Old Moor remains unenclosed.

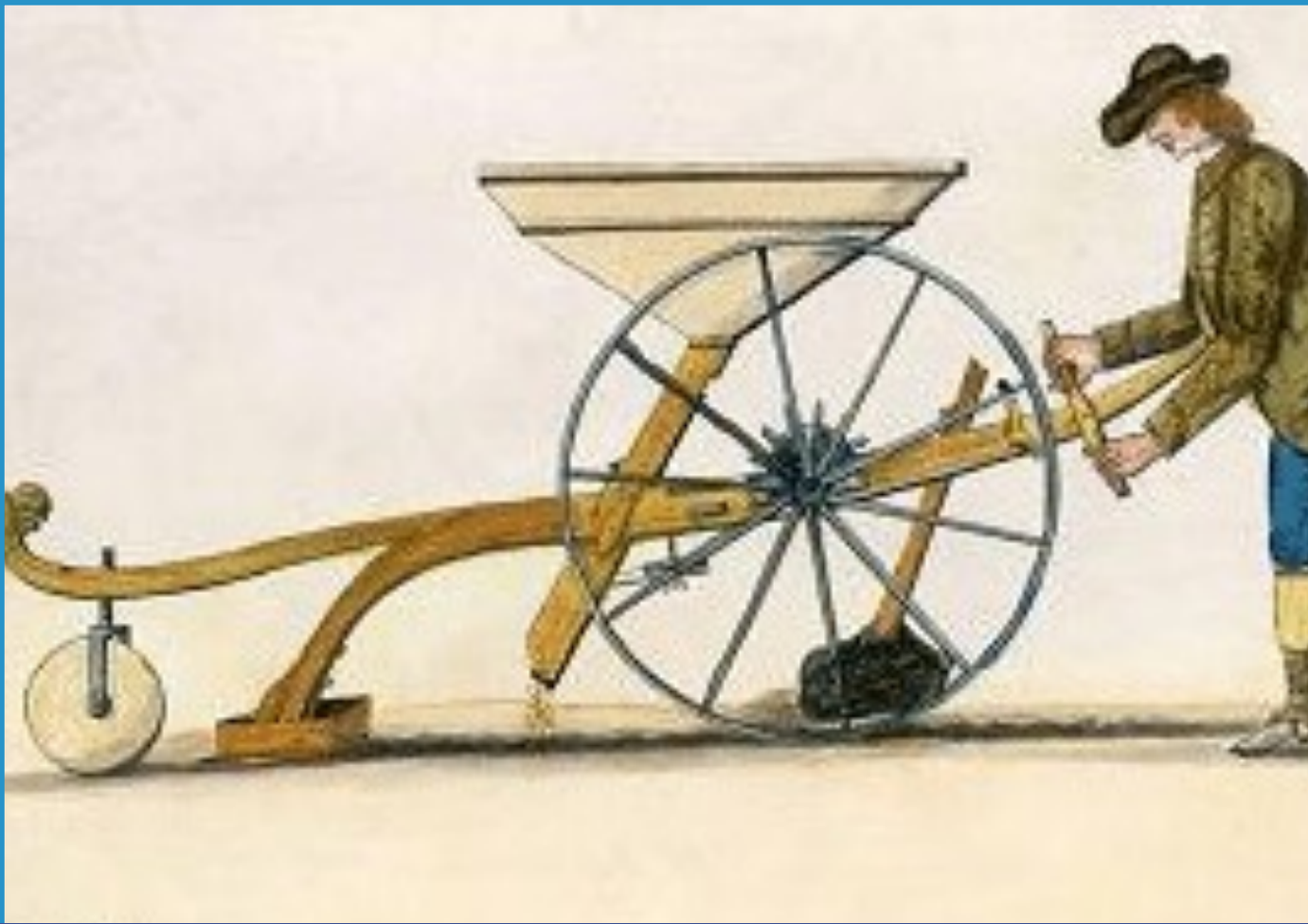


1733

William Wombwell , the last male heir dies. The land passes to his two daughters and eventually respective husbands Charles Turner and Colonel Anthony St Leger.

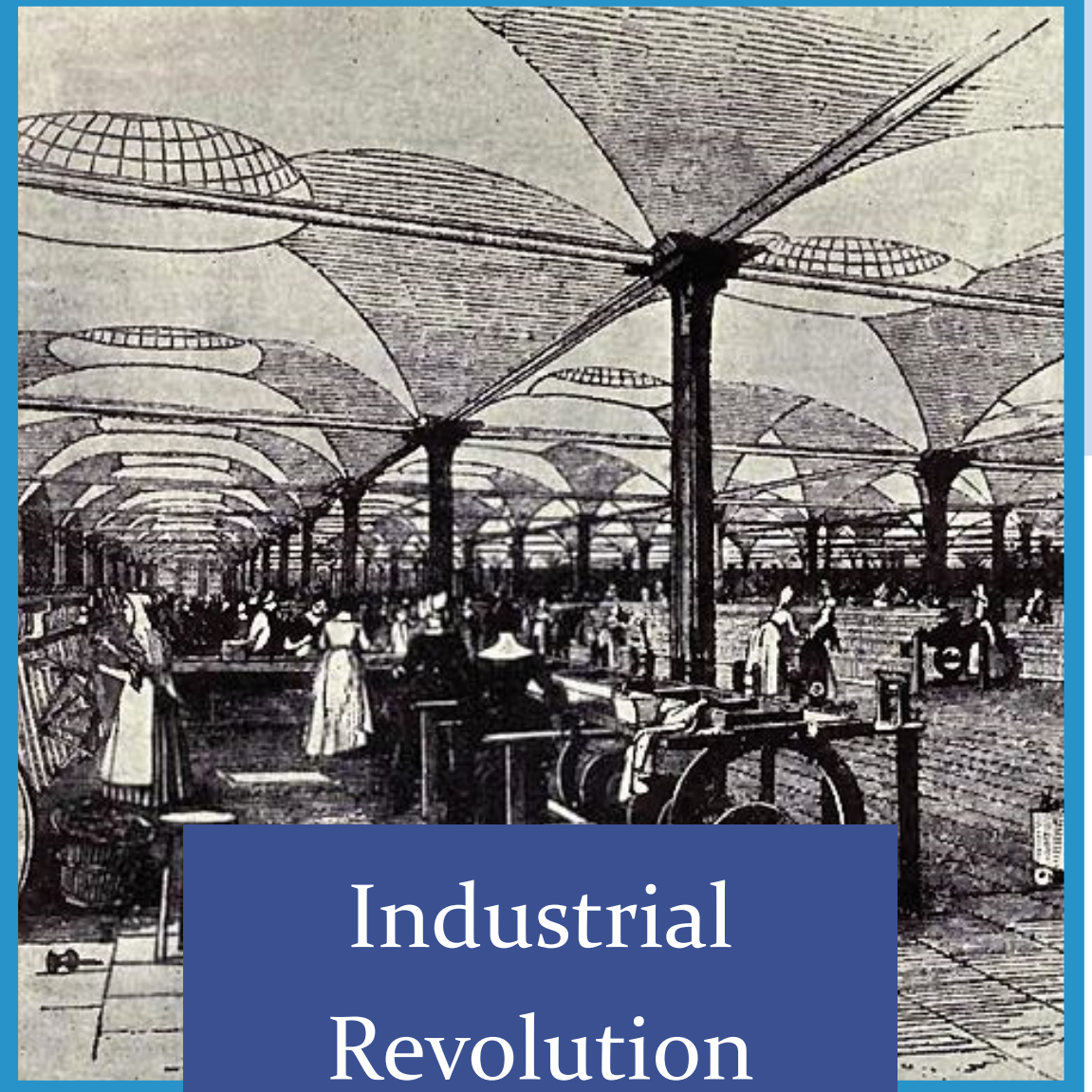


1700s



Early this century sees the beginning of the Agricultural Revolution.

1750-1910



Industrial Revolution

1755

Buildings are constructed on Old Moor and appear on all future surveys and maps.

1776

Colonel Anthony St Leger was known to have been training horses at Old Moor prior to establishing the inaugural running of the famous St Leger. A race run annually since 1776 at Doncaster.

1780—1784

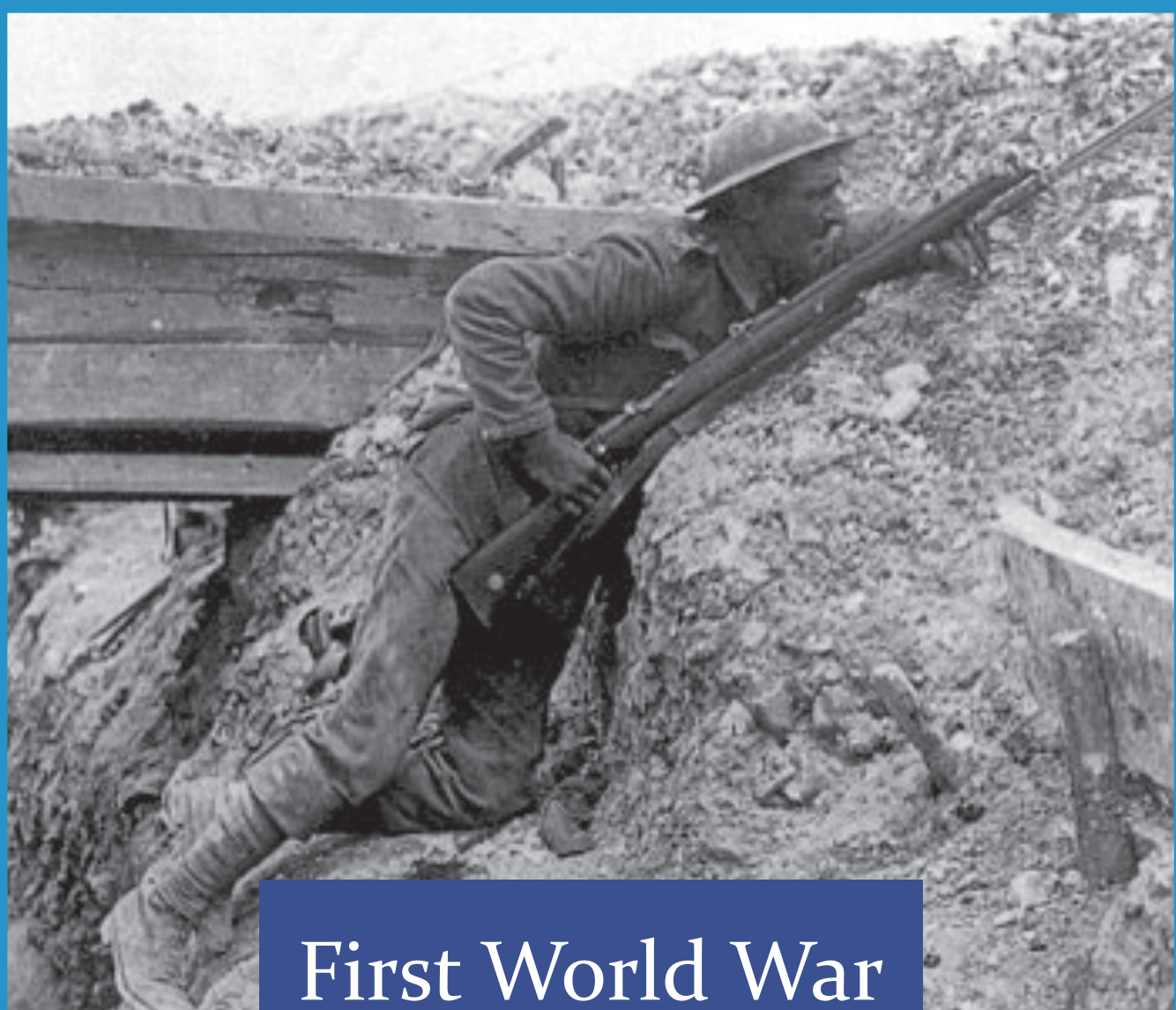
The first of the Brooke family move in to Old Moor, George & Ann Brooke.

1793

Construction of the Dearne and Dove Canal between Barnsley and Swinton. Completed in 1804. By 1820 it was transporting 100,000 tons of coal annually.

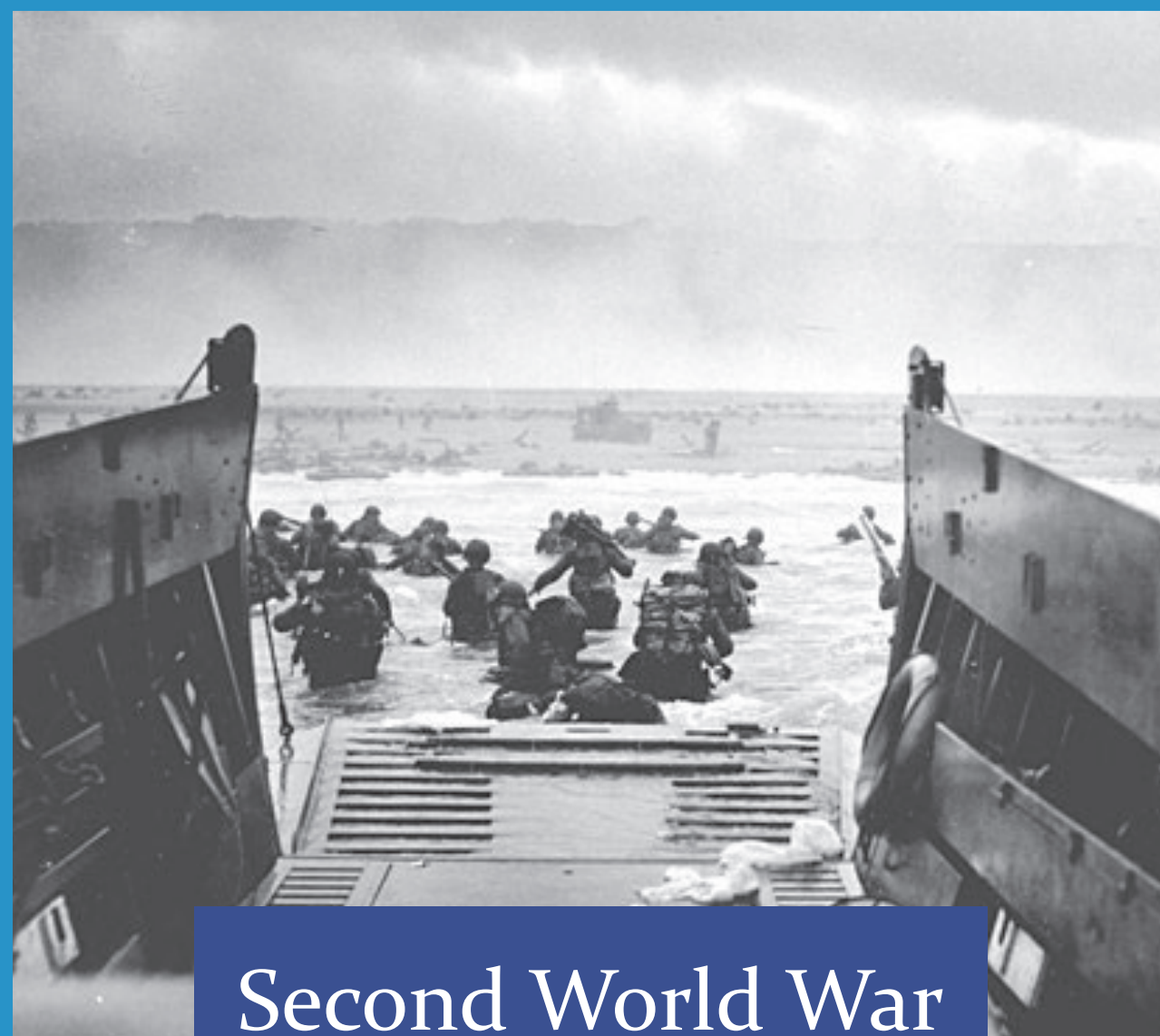


1914-1918



First World War

1939-1945



Second World War

1916

Sarah (Daisy) Brooke joins The Red Cross playing her part in the war effort for the Brooke family.

Old Moor becomes one of the airfields used by 33 Squadron (Home Defence) Royal Flying Corps .

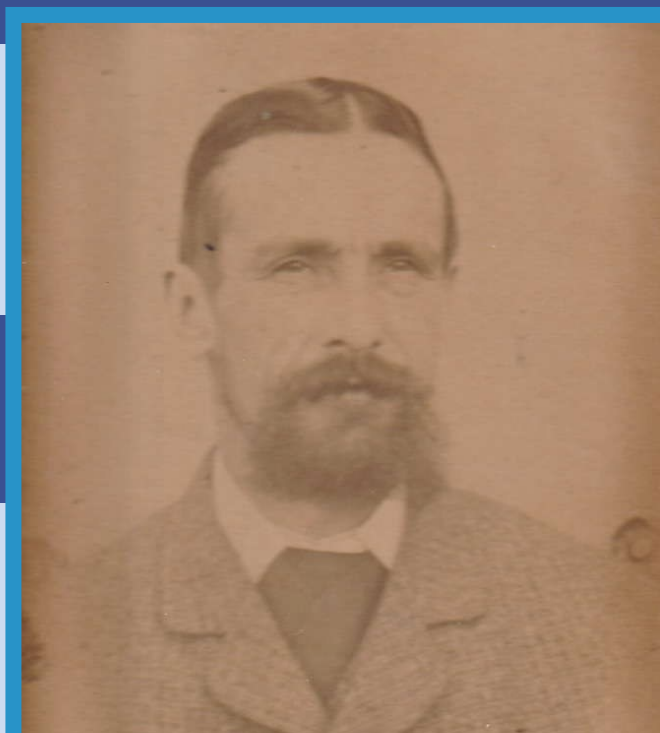
1929—1937

Known as the 'Flying Circus Era'. The Airfield at Old Moor is utilised for a series of spectacular air shows.

1938

George Brooke dies 22nd June 1938. The end of the Brooke family line at Old Moor. The two remaining daughters Sarah (Daisy) and Ethel sell up and move to Harrogate.

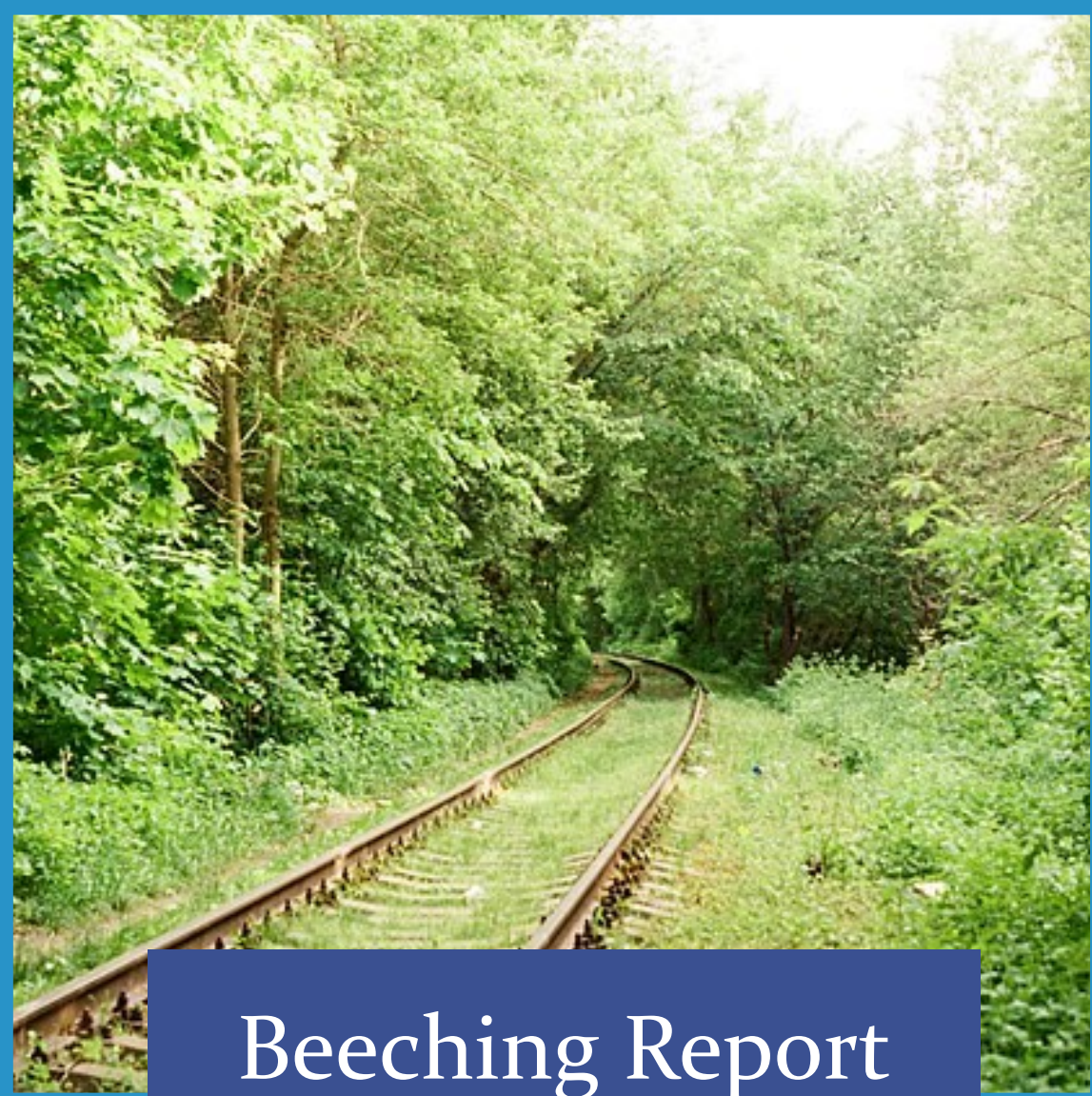
George Brooke



1939

Sees the start of the Gascoigne occupancy. William and Blanche Gascoigne move from Lane End Farm at Thurnscoe to Old Moor.

1963



Beeching Report

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King Charles III

1959

Wath Central railway station closed.

1961

Closure of the Dearne and Dove Canal.

1968

Wath North railway station closed.

1975

The first hide is erected Wath Hide.



1988

Wath Main and Manvers Collieries close.

1995

Building and engineering work commences on site in February.

1998

The Gascoigne family vacate Old Moor. In September, work on the Visitor Centre is completed.

2003

RSPB take over Old Moor in March.

2012

First proof of breeding bitterns at Old Moor.