

INTRODUCTION

THE Authentic Map Directory of South Lancashire is an entirely new publication and has been specially designed to meet a demand for a large-scale, detailed street map of this important and populous area.

Never before has there been produced an Atlas of this part of the country of similar magnitude. It covers an area of over 1,000 square miles and extends from Preston, Blackburn, Burnley and Colne on the North to Manchester and Warrington on the South and from the sea on the West to Oldham and Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge on the East. It also includes the Cheshire towns of Birkenhead, Wallasey, Altrincham and Stockport.

During the past few years many new districts have been opened up and new streets and trunk roads made. The publishers have made every effort to incorporate all these developments in the Authentic Map Directory, and they gratefully acknowledge the assistance of the Municipal and District Surveyors who helped them in this connection.

The large scale of 4 inches to 1 mile adopted for the Sectional Map has made it possible to name all but the small, less-important thoroughfares and even they will be found in the comprehensive Index with the name of the nearest street which appears on the map.

All Public Buildings, Town Halls, Municipal Offices, Churches, Police Stations, Courts, Fire Stations, etc., are marked and Public and Private Parks and Open Spaces are shown in distinctive colours.

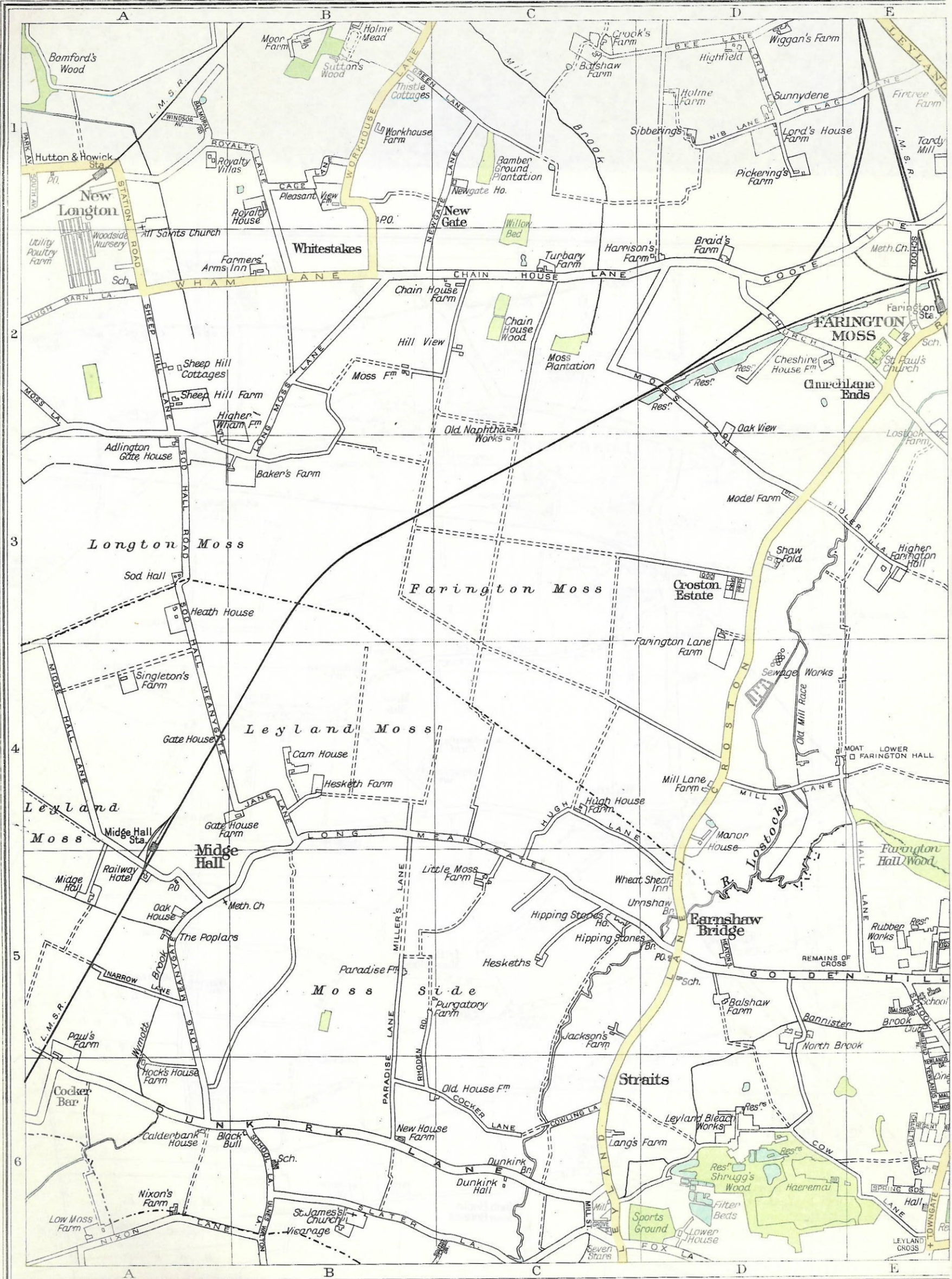
Roads traversed by Tramways or Omnibuses are indicated by a special colour and Railways and Stations are also clearly shown.

Another novel feature is the selection of house numbers inserted at intervals along the principal thoroughfares in some of the chief towns. This makes it possible to approximately locate any address in these streets.

The Atlas also includes plates showing Parliamentary Divisions, Local Government areas, and Railways.

Following the Map is a Classified Business Directory. The territory covered by the maps is divided into Sections comprising groups of towns and in each of these areas Business Houses are classified under their Trades or Professions arranged alphabetically, and the names of firms are also given in alphabetical order under the various headings. Preceding the Business Announcements in each section Useful Information is given concerning the towns included in the area.

The Index to Streets, etc., includes every thoroughfare named on the maps, together with the Postal Division Numbers in the case of Liverpool and Manchester, where the numbering system has been adopted, plate number and map square in the Atlas on which it will be found. There is a total of over 42,000 entries.



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