

a great boon, in my young days there was no help for the aged, this great worry was having to go into the workhouse then & that was a right mare to face, we have progressed a great deal since 1880.

Uncle oft used to say, he hoped he would never have to go into the Gorham that was his feeling altho' he was very wealthy & made his money chiefly by being careful over the pennies. We have a shawl here which belonged to my grandma over 100 years old & in quite good condition, that could not be said of today's clothing. My mother kept 5 children & a good house on £2-15⁰ wk. & was never short of a sh. never over spends. I was always brought up to be very careful. If I had a fortune now I could not spend it & would only consider giving it away. Every thing now is so dear, it means just having to go without, when we were first married Bacon was 8 a pound & too fat needed to fry it in, lovely fat would run from it into the frying-pan & I well remember buying a lovely piece of beef steak enough for my husband's dinner for 9, a loaf of bread 2½, Milk 1½ pint, Eggs 18 for 1/- fruit was cheap, raspberries for making jam 3 lb, also black currants 4 lb, we would order 1 doz lbs & make lovely jam. I can't remember ever buying anything in tins,