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Subject: FW: J. Cook token
Date: 01 July 2022 10:48:02
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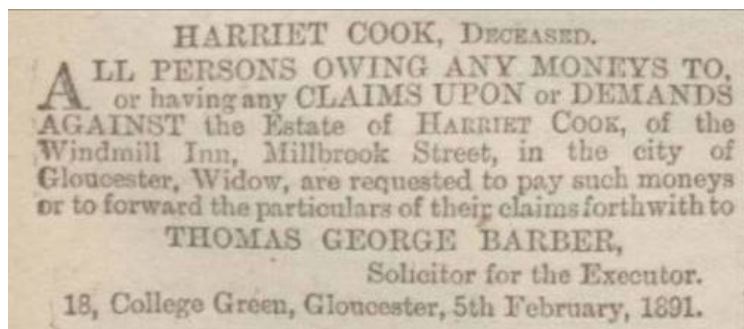
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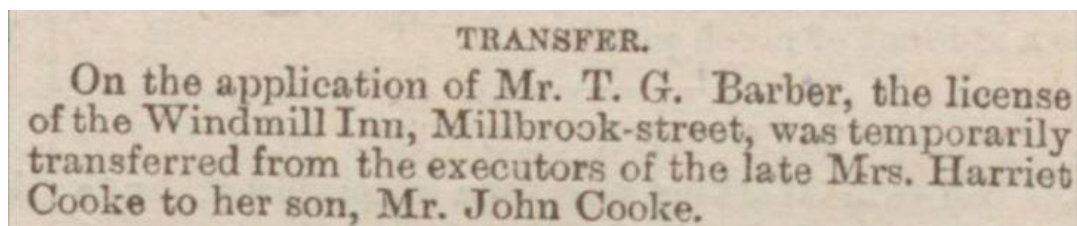
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Further to last, have spoken to Andrew twice. Slight modification to what we thought earlier, as follows:

There are two John Cooks, father and son, the elder being married to Harriet. What I sent this morning was the later part of the family's history, in which it looked likely that the PMPC referred to John jnr, publican of the Windmill 1891-1898. Here is some of the earlier part, which makes it look as if the token was more likely issued by John Cook snr.:

- Harriet's maiden name was Abbott (checked from the birth registration of one of her children)
- John Cook marr. Harriett Abbott 5 Sep 1849 Temple Church, Bristol. He was a 20-year-old policeman at the time.
- John Cook senr.d.Q2/1866 Gloucester aged 37.
- 1861 census below, showing him as a publican at the Windmill. The 1871 census shows the family still there but with Harriet as the publican. Andrew knows of another token which H(arriet) Cook issued in her own right.
- Andrew says that QV PMPCs are usually pre-1883 (approx.) and double-headed eagle ones post-1883, in consequence of an Act being passed which limited the use of the queen's head in public depictions. This could imply that John Cook senior, rather than junior, is depicted on the tokens.
- Since my first call, Andrew has found newspaper references back to John Cook hosting events at the Windmill back to at least 1858. He thinks that this is a little early for PMPCs but not impossibly so; also, he says that they were not much used in Gloucestershire compared with other parts of the country. He is not wholly convinced, but is going to include the piece in his book as a possible.

16	Windmill Barndet	John Cook	Head	Mar	31	33	Widow	Somersetshire
		Harriet Co	Wife	Co				Widow
		Charles Co	Son	10				Widow
		William Co	Co		14			Widow
		John Cook	Co		6			Widow
		John Jones	Servant	19				Widow
		Harriett Hathaway Co	Wife	16				Widow
		Thomas Barber	Servant	23				Widow

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