

Between 1767 and 1828, other buildings sprang up along this section. But by the time William Wing drew up his simplified version of the Enclosure Map, “with owners in 1860 added”, the existence of these earlier buildings had been forgotten, and he failed to include them (Fig 4).

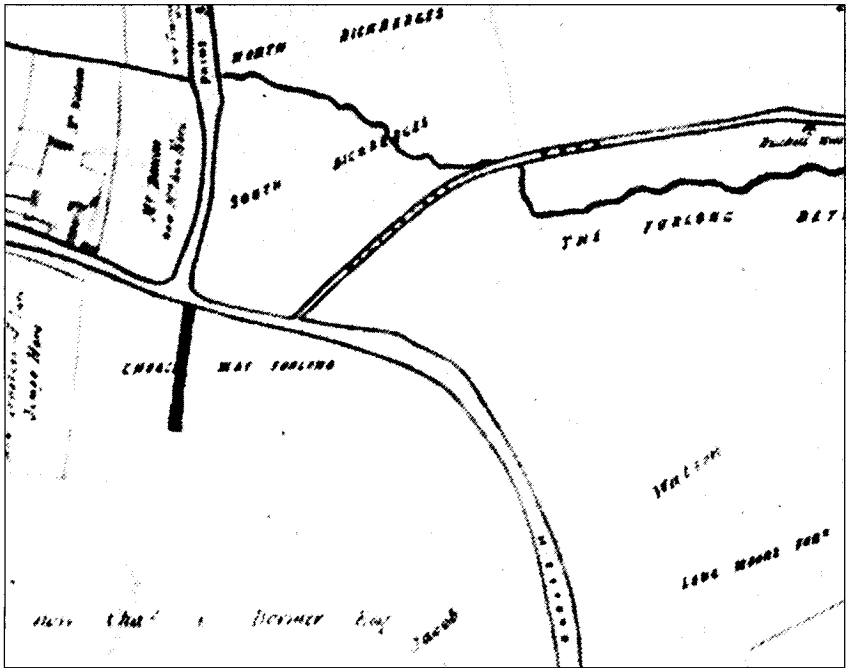


Fig 4: Part of Wing's Enclosure Map updated to 1860 showing no buildings in Heyford Road

They had in fact disappeared beneath the later development. The location of Harris's new Manor House makes better sense if we assume that some of them were needed while it was being built. What actually happened can be reconstructed from a series of Deeds relating to the former shop building next door. Although the oldest surviving Deeds date from 1837 and 1840, *after* the new Manor House was finished, they cite earlier documents relating to lost buildings on the same site.

Apart from various barns and other outbuildings there were in fact three residential properties on the site when Charles Harris took it over in 1829, but only one was immediately accessible to him. We need to consider each in turn: