

**Specification of works to be done
Making additions to Stockcross parsonage near
Newbury for the Revd John Adams**

Generally Take down the present larder. Boundary wall to garden and so much as is required of the tool house to carry out the additional works as shewn on the Plan, make good to these and leave perfect, form the entrance to tool house on garden wide as shewn and refix present door and door case in wall in new position. All the old materials in bricks, timber, slates, doors and windows together with the fittings may be re-used subject to the approval of the Architect. Provide new stone curb with wrought iron grating over area to Dairy window, between garden wall and descent to cellars, to match the existing one – cut out all chasings and toothings required and make good all work of every description, interfered with or disturbed by the additional works and leave perfect both inside and outside.

Brickwork Make good drain from new water closet and waste from wash hand basin to the present ones as may be required & leave perfect
-Dig out the ground for the foundations to the same depth of the present ones and of similar width and carry up the footings in continuation of present as well as the several walls above to the plinth which is to be of Yorkshire stone to match the old & worked & set as that is
-Provide and fix slate damp course immediately under the sleepers of ground floor joists, bedded in cement and extending respectively the full width of the several walls. Provide and fix No 7 east iron air bricks. Fill in and ram solid to footings etc and cart away or otherwise remove all superfluous soil.
- the whole of the external walls, chimney shafts and other similar parts of the building, including gables, eaves courses barge courses, strings etc are to be built and carried up to match the present work. All outside walls to be 14 inches thick that is. 1½ in brick but may be built with cavity making 16 inches.



or as per sketch, care being taken to keep the dividing joints free of all mortar or contact with adjoining brick
All the inside partitions on the ground floor are to be 9 inches
Put in ½ brick trimmer arches to all fire places and build all requisite sleeper walls and fender fireplaces – the damp course to continue throughout these – Properly core and par get all flues and set all grates – Put in rough arches over all lintels to doors and windows and also to all fire places, with proper chimney bars twined and caulked. Put arches over all windows to match the present ones and bed and point all door and window frames.
If the work is built with a cavity the inside and outside faces are to be tied together with iron ties not exceeding 2 ft 6 ins distance apart and at every five course in height with bond broken and the mortar from the inside joints is to be roughly spread over the faces forming a rough render and diminishing the chance of the mortar falling and resting on the ties which are to be kept nevertheless perfectly clear and holes left at the bottom for clearing out any fallen debris. All the inside work is to be left to receive plastering – All the brickwork to have the joints fair struck on the outside face and to range truly in courses with the present
All the bricks are to be hard and sound burnt kiln bricks. Those for the outside being picked out and sorted and are to be laid solidly throughout bedded in mortar in both vertical and horizontal joints.

The mortar is to be composed of one part fresh burnt grey lime and two parts sharp sand or road grits.

MASON

All the sills to windows inside paving to lobby and pantry and dairy is to be tooled Yorkshire stone laid on well made ground and dry brick rubbish or equal material to be closely jointed and bedded in mortar – All outside door steps are to be the same as the present, as also all outside and inside hearth stones – Allow the sum of 20/- for chimney piece in servants hall and 10/- each for those in bedrooms

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SLATER

Cover the several roofs with slates to match the present slates and to the same gauge. Each slate being received with two composition nails or as the present – Eaves in all cases to be double provide and set ridge tiles to match those now on the house. Provide and fix to slips of bay and dormer windows and elsewhere strong slate filleting secured by screws and bedded and pointed in oils putty. Make good all old slating and which with the new is to left cleaned and perfect – no shaky, cracked or otherwise imperfect slates are to be used.

CARPENTER & JOINER

Timber & Deals All the timber used to be of the best menrel (?) free from sap shakes, large loose knots and other defects and all the Deals are to be of a like quality to what the present joiners work is made from.

Roofs & Floors All the scantlings of the roofs and floors, plated etc are to be the same as the present and constructed similarly and the whole of the floors, skirting, doors, windows and other joiners work are to bethe same in every respect as that in the present house including locks, hinges and all other furnishing and prepared for staining – The windows in the servants hall is only to be finished with shutters, those in the storeroom, larder and dairy being protected by iron bars secured on the inside.

Form communication through present storeroom on the chamber floor, with the new rooms and leave perfect and complete.

Refix the old fittings in store rooms and larder and dairy and allow 50/- for any new ones. Take down the partition on the chamber floor adjoining Mr Adam's dressing room and throw the present store rooms as far back as the chimney into such dressing room which work will be pointed out by Mr Adams and leave all perfect and complete as regards every branch. – Lay down proper gutter boards and valley boards where required – Take down and refix present water closet seat and riser to new closet and provide and fix stand to received wash hand basin and enclose lower part with dwarf door hung with brass butts and knob twin buckle

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PLASTERER

Finish all walls and partitions with all ceilings and quarter partitions in the same way as the other parts of the house and whiten ceilings. From all angles to chimney projections and elsewhere and also to jambs of archways in solid Keenes or Parian cement. Continue plastering down to floors behind skirting- Finish walls of larder and dairy in Keenes or Parian cement very finely and smoothly faced up to a height of two feet above the bench shelves and finish on top with $\frac{7}{8}$ flush sunk bead

All laths used for ceilings to be double laths and butted with bond broken.

PLUMBER GLAZIER & PAINTER

The whole of these branches are to be executed in every respect in the manner in which they severally are in the present building and

all slack pipes, heads and shoes etc are to match and drains of stone ware pipe with socket joints set in cement are to be provided and laid down to take all the rain water, and united as may be found most expedient with the present drains – Take up repair and refix the present WC apparatus in new closet with D trap and provide and fix wood cistern lined with lead 5lb to the sides and 6lb to the bottom and to hold 40 gallons over seat and provide $\frac{3}{4}$ plated lap and $1\frac{1}{2}$ waste – provide and fix 12lb blue basin with plug and brass chain – the new cistern to be supplied from the present one and to have a proper ball cock.

SMITH & BELLHANGER

provide stoves for servants hall and bedrooms to the value of 50/- and provide and hang No 2 bells attached to the present bell board.

**Signed by Tho Hillyers
Archd
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