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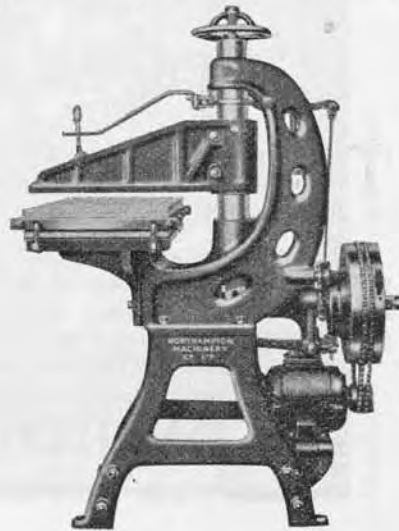
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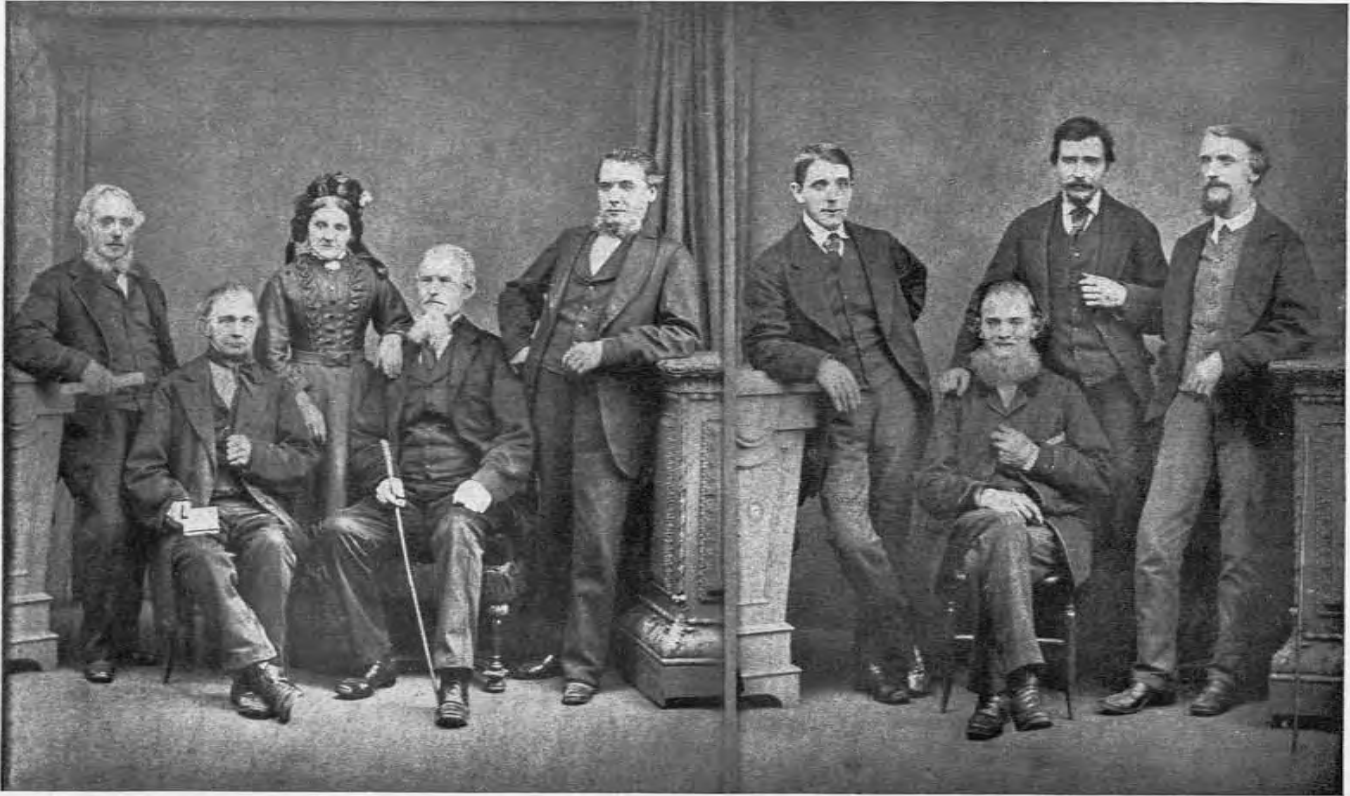
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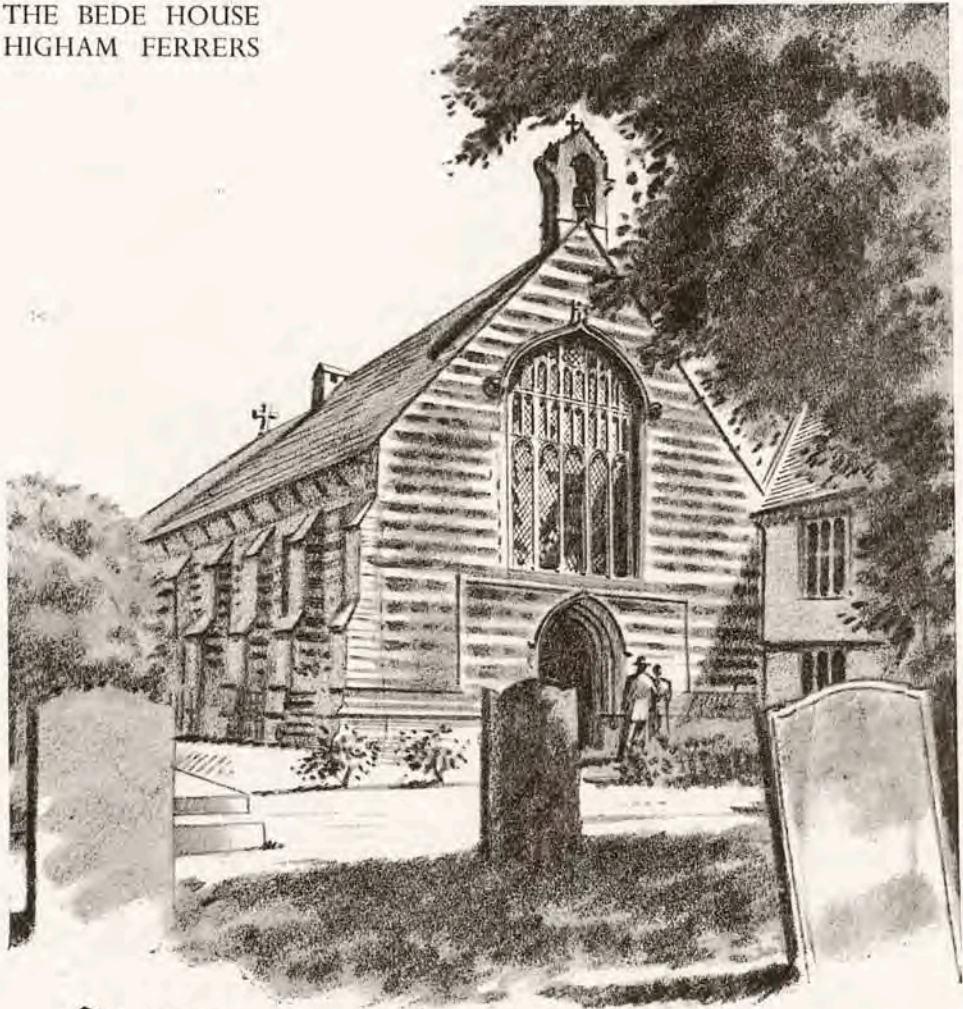
THE BILLINGHAM FAMILY OF KISLINGBURY, c. 1870



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| 1. John | 3. Sarah | 5. Thomas | 6. Mark | 8. Isaac | 9. Eli |
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But following on the 700 years of ancient Higham Ferrers tradition is the twentieth century, as symbolised by John White Footwear Ltd., whose headquarters are only a hundred paces from the Bede House. This world-famous organisation was founded by Mr. John White, himself an Honorary Freeman and former Mayor of Northamptonshire's oldest Borough: Higham Ferrers.

