



Ansell & Sons

Ansell & Sons is a high class butcher's shop owned and run by the Raymond family, at present this is Derek and Lynne, their sons Paul and James and Paul's wife Lynn. The first time the shop took on the name 'Ansell' was in 1928 when Leonard Ansell and his son Albert owned the business.

Derek's father Sidney Raymond, who had been orphaned at the age of eight and didn't know anything about his family history, started working for Leonard and Albert Ansell in the early 1930s when he was about thirteen years old. Derek joined the business in 1963 and following the death of Leonard and the retirement of Albert Ansell, Sidney and Derek Raymond purchased the butchers business.

But it wasn't until Lynne Raymond carried out historical research that the full story about the butchers shop at 5 High Street, Maldon revealed that there has been a butchers business on the same site since 1796.

BUTCHERS AT 5 HIGH STREET, MALDON

WILLIAM RAYMOND (1796-1812)
SARAH RAYMOND (1796 – 1826)
JOHN SMITH RAYMOND
THOMAS RAYMOND
JOSEPH HENRY RAYMOND
ROBERT JOSIAH CRANEIS (1826-1832)
RICHARD LAMB Snr (1832-1855)
RICHARD LAMB Jnr (1855-1858)
WILLIAM WRIGHT (1858-1889)
GEORGE W HANDLEY (1889-1894)
NORRIS BLAXALL (1894-1898)
WILLIAM FIRMIN (1898-1920)
MALDON & HEYBRIDGE CO-OP (1920-1927)
LEONARD M ANSELL (1928-1951)
ALBERT ANSELL (1928-1965)
SIDNEY RAYMOND (1933-1993)
DEREK RAYMOND (SINCE 1963)
PAUL RAYMOND (SINCE 1993)
JAMES RAYMOND (SINCE 2003)

Not only was it amazing to discover that there has been a butcher's business on the same site for 222 years but it was even more incredible to find that it was Paul and James' great, great, great, great grandfather, William Raymond who had established a butchers shop there in 1796.

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