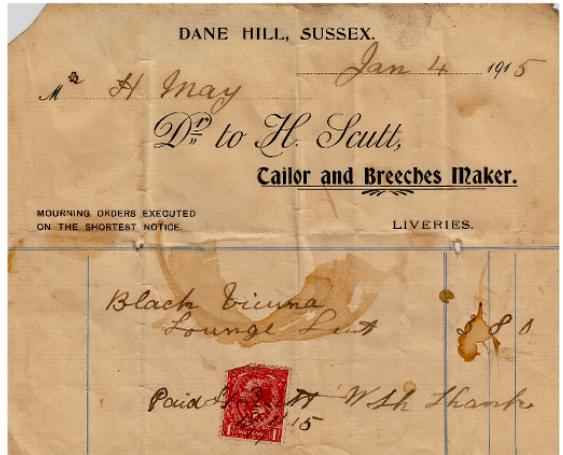


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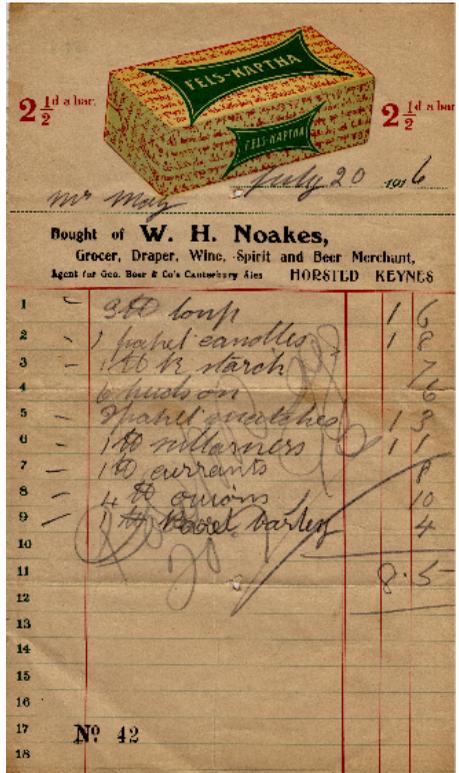
Shon Bennett writes in his 'Word Picture of Danehill' "*Going up Church Hill next to the wheelwright was Mr James Scutt whose large board on the side of his house, announced to anyone interested, and with that sort of money,*

*he was a TAYLOR AND BREECHES MAKER' ". I'm having a bit of trouble here because Ray Smith let me have a copy of an invoice from **Harry** Scutt which clearly states he is a Tailor and Breeches Maker, so I'm inclined to think that **James** might be a simple error, as is the spelling of Tailor. It's not likely that the invoice would be wrong. Mrs Madge Tunks, who was Mr Scutt's daughter, told the Danehill Parish Historical Society that the Scutt family moved to Danehill in about 1901 and certainly he was in Danehill at the time of the 1911 Census. Mr Scutt was working at Little Danewood Cottage until his death in the flu epidemic of 1918. At the time of his death he was only 44. With the coronavirus still so prevalent in our minds today, it's a timely reminder that the flu epidemic after World War I was just as deadly, perhaps even more so? The invoice - which was addressed to Mr May on January 4th 1915 states "*Mourning orders executed on the shortest notice*"*



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From the following year, July 20, 1916 Ray has let me have a copy of an invoice from W H Noakes, who was a grocer, draper, wine, spirit and beer merchant at Horsted Keynes. His premises were on The Green and according to the 1911 Census he was also a sub-Postmaster. From as far back as 1881 he was a grocer and draper at Chiddingly Street, Hailsham, and upon moving to Horsted Keynes he also becomes a sub-postmaster. As before, the invoice is to the May family who were in Danehill.



This photo from John Gallsworthy is of a Post Office on the Green at Horsted Keynes. This is of Granny Gallsworthy, but might an earlier occupant have been William Henry

Noakes? Before him George Gilpin was also a Draper, Grocer and Postmaster for over 25 years and his premises are described as The Green.

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