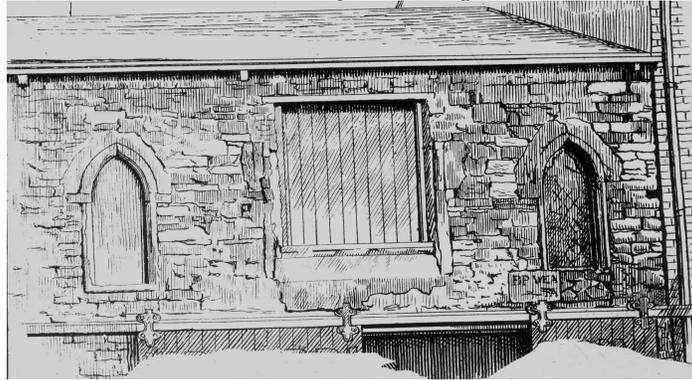


# Sea Captains' Lodge

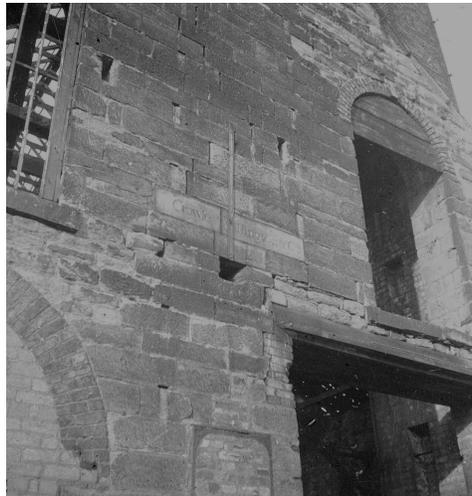
Crowley's Ironworks on Low Street, Sunderland.

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The office is built of stone but the adjacent buildings are constructed in brick



Ambrose Crowleys Sunderland office



The roof support beams are exposed and the building is in a  
decrepit state.  
A structural tie bar is fortunately keeping the date stone in place.  
The photographs were possibly taken just prior  
to demolition for record purposes.



Part enlargement of above photograph.

Crowley \_llington & Co being carved on the two larger stones and the figures  
8 and 2 are just discernable on the two smaller stones below.

(the name of Crowley's partner is found in Flinn's book "Men of Iron" where on  
page 248 he notes - Crowley's Crew', after fighting in a political riot in 1792 swore to defend  
the property of Messrs. Crowley, Millington and Co.....)

Flinn also notes in his book 'Men of Iron' Page 40,  
'a carved stone above the door bore the date '1682'



Crowley Iron works with wooden door and what appears to be a structural metal plate above

### COMMENT

The drawing of the office does show that stone was used for building it, but it also indicates that brick was used beyond it for the construction of the main buildings and the photographs bear this point out.

That only the office was built of stone, and said to have been made available from the ruins of the Chapel, whilst the bulk of the building was constructed of brick, adds positively to the view that the Chapel debris did exist.

On enlarging the part of the stone built office lying under the right side Saxon style window, the interesting result shown below was obtained.



The artist arrows the letters and 'marks' in the stone block.



In this example (taken from an unrelated source) three sets of stonemasons' marks are shown

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