

McCONNELL RAISES W. TO NEW HEIGHTS BY MAKING W. A CENTRE FOR LOCOMOTIVE PRODUCTION OF HIS OWN DESIGNS THAT ARE TECHNICALLY ADVANCED

Under McConnell the W. Works produces engines of technically advanced design. They are much more powerful than the Bury engines.

Rev.
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Some are nick-named 'Bloomers'.

The need to expand the works is chronic.

No progress in negotiation with Radcliffe Trustees for purchase of more land by the LNWR.

1864 Description of works

1854 Cottages on the north side of the works are demolished piece meal to allow the works to expand.

The decision is taken that residential development in future will take place to the south side of the Stratford road so that the works can expand.