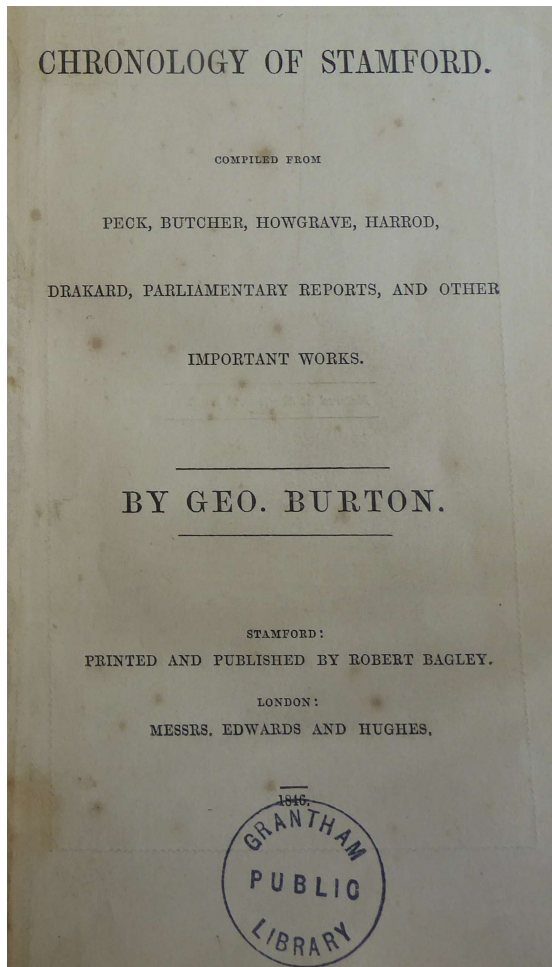


WEATHER IN STAMFORD



In April 1641, a very heavy rain, accompanied by a high west wind, caused a flood which covered the bridge. On Saturday November 1, 1736, a very high wind blew down a windmill on the west side of the town, and did much damage. On the 4th of May, 1800, a most dreadful storm passed over Stamford: the thunder and lightning were terrific, and the hailstones destroyed nearly all the windows facing the south-west. On Friday, the 31st August 1821, a shower, which did not last an hour, inundated the town. In Protection-place, Scotgate, the water was six feet high, and potatoes, apples, plums, onions, &c. were conveyed by the stream from the market, down Maiden-lane and the Hotel-yard: the electric fluid struck the house occupied by Mr. Samuel Watson, tanner, in Blackfriar's-street, and partly uncovered the roof: this storm extended only a mile round Stamford. On the 10th of June, 1822, there was a severe tempest of thunder and lightning, which did much damage in the neighbourhood; and on the 28th of the following month a heavy storm of thunder, lightning, and

hail took place. In 1823 on the 27th January, the streets were so covered with ice, that many persons skated from Scotgate to the top of High-Street. On the 14th January, 1827, Emlyn's-close tree was split in two by a violent hurricane, and 50 feet of the main stem was brought to the ground. 1830. On account of the exceeding wetness of the summer months this year, there were greater and more frequent floods in the River Welland than had occurred for many years previous: and the meadows becoming inundated, caused a greater loss of sheep, by the rot, than had ever before been experienced. 1833. August 31st, there occurred a tremendously high wind from the N.W., which was supposed to have been the greatest wind since November 10th, 1810. The roofs of buildings were much damaged by the removal of many slates and tiles; but happily, further than this no material injury was done.

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