

Title:

York, Yorkshire

Shelfmark:

C908/47

Description:

Joe talks about the huge changes that have taken place in the street where he grew up, from the last few decades of the 19th century to the time this recording was made in the middle of the 20th century. He recalls a visit from a neighbour wanting to borrow one of his carts.

Lexis:

naught = nothing; *tother* = the other; *want* = to need; *reckon* (something) *up* = to work (something) out, understand; *lade* = to load; *ought* = anything; *fetch* = to bring; *stanch* = staunch, strict; *and all* = also, as well, too; *bier* = hand barrow, framework for carrying

Phonology:

definite article → [ʔt]; H-dropping

FACE [E:]; MOUTH [u: > @u:]; GOOSE [Uu]; GOAT [O:]; START [a:]

<wa-> → [wQ ~ wa]; <-ow> → [@]

note also *wash* [wES], *horse* [Qs], *head* [Ed], *naught* [nOUt], *confectioners* [kQnfEkS=n@z], *yes* [j@s], *one* [wQn], *in* [I], *me* [m@], *nothing* [nQTIN], *lading* [li:dIN], *us* [Uz], *ours* [@U@z], *gave* [gEv], *over* [O@], *veterinary* [vItnEr/I], *after* [Eft@] and *right* [r/eIt]

Grammar:

zero possessive marker (*wash your horse legs*)

there is + plural complement (*there's no stables*); *there was* + plural complement (*there was plenty of wagons here; there was fifteen; there was two*)

multiple negation (*there's no stables nor naught*)

preterite *come* (*all the stables come down; the houses come down; she come across to me one night; she come up to the front bell*)

verbal inflection with *I* (*I says*)

zero plural marker on noun (*over fifty-six year back*)

have as full verb (*we hadn't bier*)

zero determiner (*we hadn't _ bier*)