

Date	Ellingham	Kirby Cane
1814	Act to clarify and confirm the will of John Griffin, (Lord Howard of Walden and Baron Braybroke) to endow the post of Magdalen College Master with Ellingham Rectory. The Master might also be the rector. It was worth £12 a year.	Elizabeth Wooltorton of Denton tried to poison her uncle-by-marriage, Tifford Clarke (to whom she owed £200) in an arsenic laced cake. His housekeeper gave the cake to her son-in-law for his children. Six members of his family in North Cove were very ill, 5 year old Robert Sparkes died. Elizabeth was publically hanged at Ipswich.
1815	School in which 23 pupils are taught by a master, and 11 by a mistress. Robert Nunn of Bungay took over Ellingham brick-making business from former partner Jeremiah Botwright.	A Sunday school for 45 and a day school for 30 who are taught gratis.
1815		Archibald John Primrose, 4th Earl of Rosebery, Viscount Rosebery and Inverkeithing and Lord Dalmeny, a Baronet, and leading politician of the day, was trying to get a divorce from his wife, Henrietta, because he had caught her committing adultery with Sir Henry Mildmay. Before the mid-19th century the only way of obtaining a full divorce which allowed re-marriage was by a Private Act of Parliament. Between 1700 and 1857 there were 314 such Acts, most of them initiated by husbands. Wives could only initiate a divorce Bill if the adultery was compounded by life-threatening cruelty. The Bill, tried to prohibit the Countess from marrying Sir John Mildmay, and declared that any children of such a union should be illegitimate after having had 4 children by Rosebery. This does not seem to have happened and Parliament suggested that he make her a payment of £300 a year for life, which he provided from rents of (Abbotts) farm in Kirby Cane, in occupation of William Abbott and elsewhere locally. Rosebery was awarded £15000 damages. In November 1815, the couple sailed from Newhaven for the Continent, taking a large quantity of luggage and a carriage with them, Harriet travelling as Lady Mildmay. She died at Nice in 1835 aged 44. Meanwhile Archibald Rosebery obtained the divorce and subsequently remarried.
1816		Rosebery's trustees conveyed a Kirby Cane farm to the trustees of the late William Wilson.
1817	William Johnson, was chaplain to the Honourable East India Company's Bengal factory. In the election this year, Ellingham residents Samuel Brindy, Thomas Day, Anthony Fisk, John Gibbon and Roger Hall voted. Non-resident William Algar of Pulham Market also voted here.	In the election this year, William Florence, William Tornell, Henry Wilson (clerk), Thomas Williams (gentleman) lived here, while others were non-resident: William Ingate (Ellingham), Scarlet Mayhew (Framlingham Pigot) and George Wilson (Eccles). Died at Kirby Cane Parsonage, the Hon. Charles Jas. Keppel, (15) fifth son of the Earl of Albemarle. The deceased and his brother (12) went out shooting, and getting through a hedge, the coat of one caught the trigger of the other discharging both barrels into his leg. He bled to death before assistance arrived. (I think they lived at Leethill) Buried at Quidenham.

