

Lucy Joynes 1782-1851

Poet and Hymn writer

Lucy lived with her family on Gillyflower Hill where she opened a Ladies school in 1818, she later lived on Castle Gate.

In 1820 she published her first book Occasional and Miscellaneous Poems in which she records local events eg The Explosion describes events of 28 Sept 1828 when a cargo of gunpowder blew up the canal Wharf and 10 were killed.

She also wrote hymns eg one for the opening of the Methodist New Connexion Chapel in 1817 and another about a cholera epidemic.

Her 'Historic Chart of the Borough of Nottingham' charts events of the time – there is a framed copy of this in Bromley House Library.

She died aged 68 and left various rents and profits from property to her nieces and nephews and was buried in St Nicholas Church.

There is a booklet about Lucy by Rowena Edlin-White