

Who is this Mystery Man?' Does anyone know who this person is?



It is believed the photograph is of a Richard Samuel France who died at his friend's house in 1882 (William and Maria Spaul): Bryntirion on Morda Road, Oswestry. This photo is still hanging on the wall at this house! The photograph is also in a house in BRONYGARTH: where apparently the owners grandfather bought the property off a 'Mr. France', but we do not have the address or owners name of this house in BRONYGARTH.

Richard Samuel France owned mines and quarries in the Morda, Llanymynech and Nantmawr area.

Mr. France was responsible for building the Potts line and Abbey Station in Shrewsbury in 1866 and the Shrewsbury Railway Heritage Trust are also trying to trace his descendants, so anyone named France is welcome to contact them.

Information about the photo is welcome please by Philip Davies chairman of the Shrewsbury Railway Heritage Trust 07662 215008 or abbestationshrewsbury@gmail.com please. Thank you.