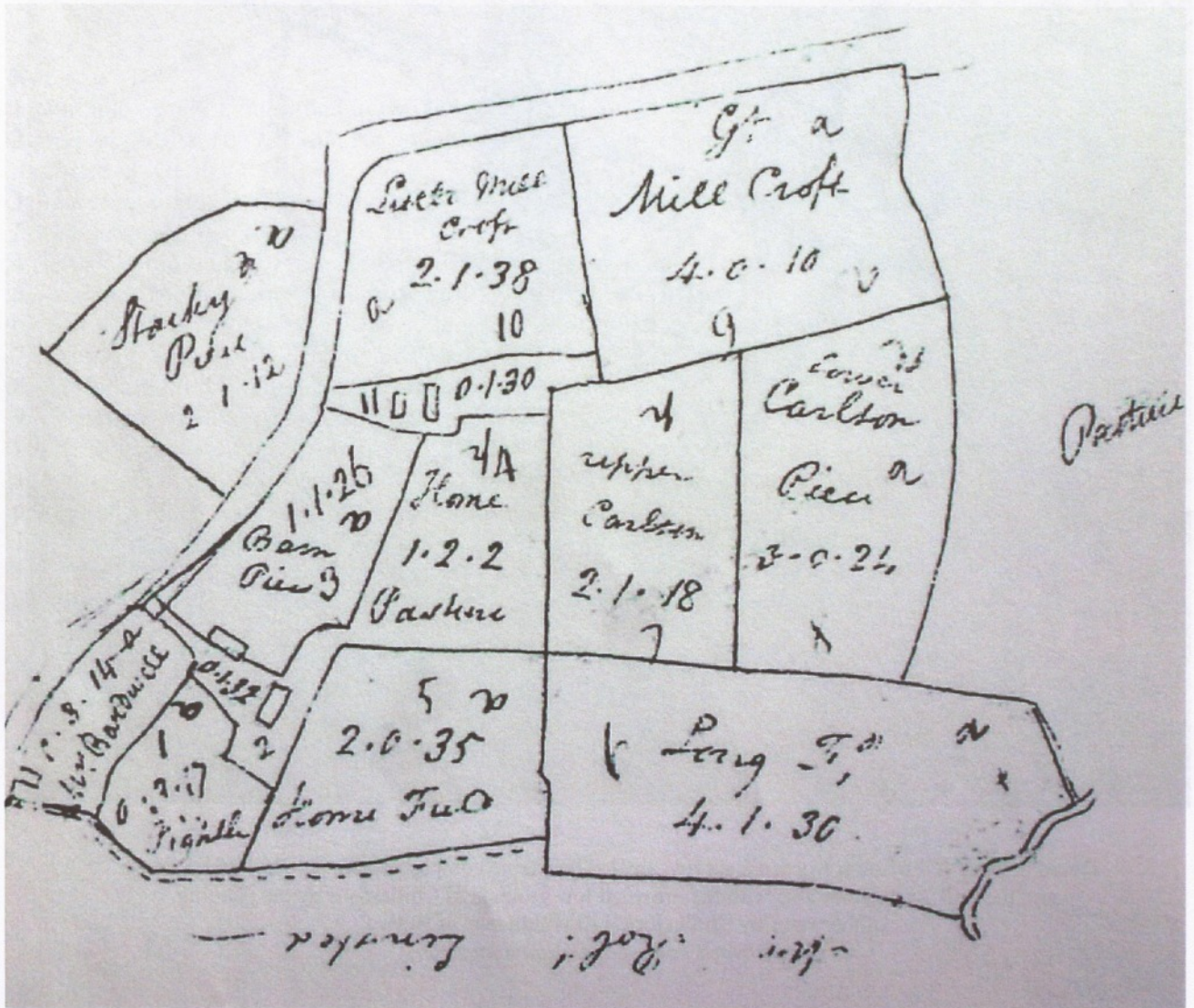


Agas refers in his survey to 'Olde Mill Way', but the mill itself is not named or itemized in his manorial totals and clearly no longer existed in his time. The reason for its disappearance was probably twofold: the stream which formerly fed it¹² had been diverted to increase the water supply of Okeland Brook which flowed down the north side of the valley and powered the Priory mill at the foot of its enclosure. Another factor may have related to security or the convenience of storing all the grain and flour in the precinct¹³. The mill remained elusive and nameless until recently when its identity was spotted in a group of names on James Lucock's 23-acre farm mapped by Isaac Johnson in about 1818: Little Mill Croft; Great Mill Croft; Upper Carlton; Lower Carlton Piece.



Carlton and Mill names on Isaac Johnson sketch map of the fields which led to identification of the mill and manor of that name.
(Map c. 1800 in private possession)

Lucock's fields were still there at the time of the 1846 Tithe Apportionment, but were subsequently made into the larger fields shown on the 1881 map on p6 opposite.

The substantial oak timbers and machinery salvaged when Carlton mill was demolished must have formed such a fundamental part of the new building erected by Prior Manning in 1530 that it