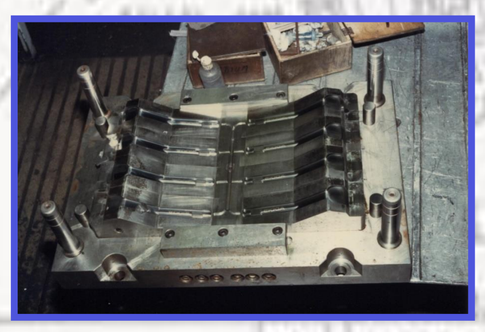
HAVERHILL AT WORK

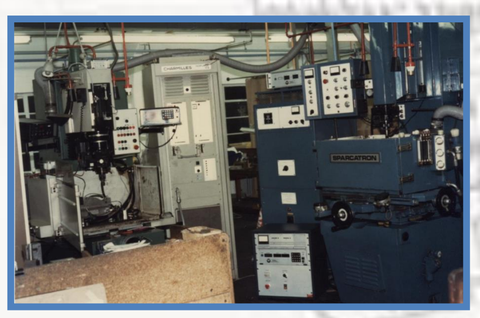
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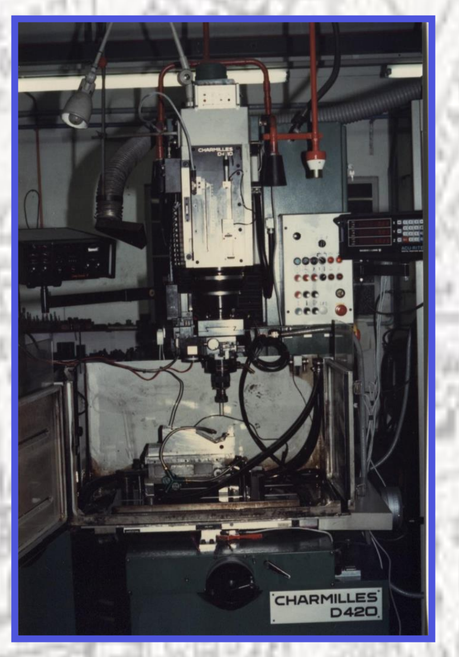
Addis

Also known as ‘the brush factory’. When the Addis company celebrated it bicentenary in 1980 it had been manufacturing toothbrushes at its factory in Colne Valley Road for 35 years.
By 1964 Addis were another one of the town's largest employers.

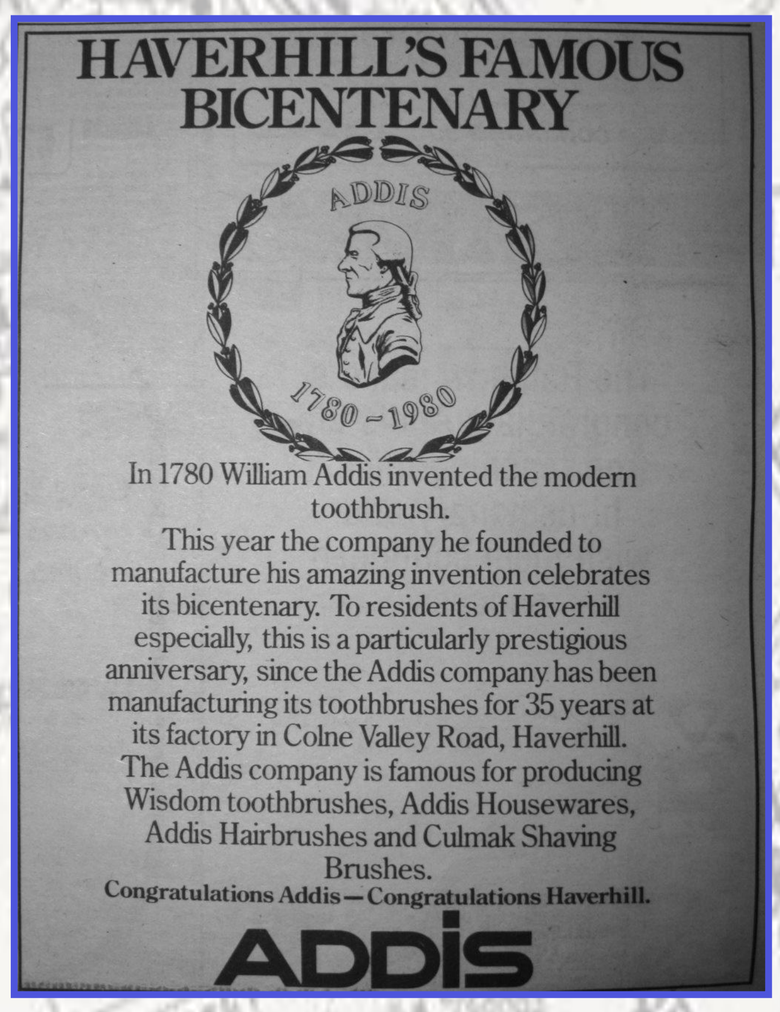
The Tool Room was responsible for making moulds







The Moulding Shop supplied the toothbrush handles


HAVERHILL'S FAMOUS BICENTENARY

ADDIS

1780 – 1980

In 1780 William Addis invented the modern toothbrush.
This year the company he founded to manufacture his amazing invention celebrates its bicentenary. To residents of Haverhill especially, this is a particularly prestigious anniversary, since the Addis company has been manufacturing its toothbrushes for 35 years at its factory in Colne Valley Road, Haverhill.
The Addis company is famous for producing Wisdom toothbrushes, Addis Housewares, Addis Hairbrushes and Culmak Shaving Brushes.
Congratulations Addis — Congratulations Haverhill.

ADDIS

The Filling Shop was where the bristle/nylon filaments were inserted

The Serating Shop was where the bristles were trimmed

The Examination department was where the quality of every brush was assessed

The Packing Department was where the product was blister sealed and packed in cartons

The Warehouse despatched the product to customers









“My first job was working on the Stamping Machine, stamping Addis on the handles of the toothbrushes before they went over to the Filling Department. I also made large brown boxes for the packing department on a very large machine.”

Wisdom

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