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Sells eggs to Harrods

ONE of Gosberton's greatest characters was born in London, but has been trading in the village for over

50 years.

Mr Victor Brown (81) is well known for his eggs—and not least the one on his Lancia car. Mr Brown has a personalised registration plate EGG 1 which he bought about 20 years ago for £50.

In 1930 he set up business in Gosberton as a grocer and egg merchant. He sent a few dozen eggs to Sheffield and business grew from there. He now sells eggs to Harrods.

It was a miracle Mr Brown survived to sell his eggs.

He has been hit by a train and survived to tell the tale. He was driving with his wife over the level crossing at Surfleet when the accident happened.

He spent 10 months in Westminster Hospital recovering, though no bones were broken.

Mr Brown was born in London in 1903 and used to live opposite Lloyd George.

After leaving school, he joined the Army and served a total of 12 years in various parts of the world — including the Khyber Pass, Turkey

and Egypt.

Mr Brown was in the Army Signals Regiment in the 1920s, and he worked with Lord Mountbatten of Burma who was in the Naval signals. He has a book inscribed to him by Lord Mountbatten.

He has held many offices in the local branch of the British Legion and football clubs. He is at present chairman of the Midlands National Egg Packers Association.

He is fanatical about football and has watched Arsenal since 1913. He also enjoys cricket and is a member of Marylebone Cricket Club.