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- 1634 The Moral and Industrial Training School opens
- 1684 Michael Marks opens a stall on Leeds Market
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