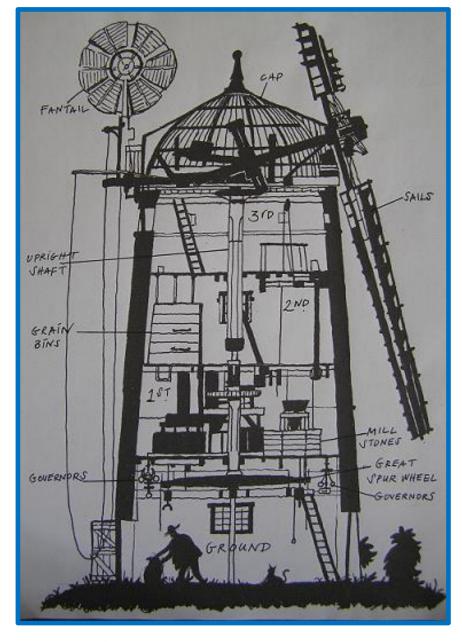
A-Z of Stevens' Mill

Bed stone	Bottom millstone which stays still as the top one rotates.
Bin	Container keeping the grain safe from pests. Also the second mill floor.
Brake wheel	Attached to the wind shaft, it drives the wallower.
Сар	Wooden structure that turns at the top of the tower.
Curb	Metal rim that supports the cap on top of the tower. Fitted with rollers.
Canister	A set of iron boxes through which the main sail timbers are fastened and joined to the wind shaft.
Damsel	The moving part in the shoe that moves grain from the hopper and stops it getting stuck. Gets it's name from the 'chattering' sound it makes.
Eye	The hole in the middle of the runner stone where the grain enters.
French burrstone	The best type of stone for grinding wheat, used throughout Europe.
Governors	A set of spinning balls attached to levers that keep gap between the grinding stones constant when the wind changes speed.
Great spur wheel	Large cog near the bottom of the upright shaft, which other gears. 'Spur wheel' is also the name for any cog with teeth sticking out rather than up (crown wheel).
Grist	The name for any grain fed into the stones.
Hopper	A large (usually) wooden funnel that feeds grain down into the stones.
Meal	The name for any grain that has been ground by the stones.





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A-Z of Stevens' Mill

Millstone Patent sail	Circular stone used to grind grain into meal. Shutters controlled by a system of rods and chains. The best design
	was patented by William Cubitt of Norfolk in 1807
Quant	The shaft that turns the runner stone.
Runner stone	The top millstone in a pair.
Sack hoist	Wind-powered mechanism for lifting sacks of grain to the top of the mill.
Shoe	Feeds grain from the hopper into the eye of the runner stone.
Stone nut	Cog at the top of the quant that transfers energy from the spur wheel to the stones.
Tentering gear	Long levers which lift or drop the heavy runner stone and determine the fineness of the meal.
Tower mill	A tower of brick or stone containing mill machinery, with only the top (or 'cap') and sails turning to face the wind.
Upright shaft	The main shaft down the centre of the tower, taking power from the wallower at the top to the spur wheel near the stones.
Vat	The wooden enclosure around the millstones.
Wallower	The first driven gear in a mill. It transfers energy from the horizontal wind shaft to the vertical upright shaft to drive the millstones.
Wind shaft	The horizontal axle at the top of the mill, onto which the sails and the brake wheel are fastened.

