

## **The state of Livery Companies in April 2020**

The **Cooks** have gone into liquidation as they couldn't ketchup with orders

The **Stationers** have folded

The **Tin Plate Makers** have canned their events

The **Carmen** have reached the end of the road

The **Bakers** have run out of dough

The **Clockmakers** have had to run down

The **Cordwainers** have put their foot down and given their Clerk the boot

The **Constructors** have gone to the wall

The **Fishmongers** have been gutted

The **Launderers** have thrown in the towel

It's curtains up for the **Drapers**

The **Wax and Tallow Chandlers** have snuffed it

The **Makers of Playing Cards** are one card short of a full deck

The **Poulterers** have flown the coup

The **Pipe Makers** have gone up in a puff of smoke

The **Fan Makers** felt the draught, got up the wind and folded

The **Actuaries** are re-assessing their longevity

The **Loriners** have the bit between their teeth

It's a wrench for the **Plumbers**

The **Architects** have drawn their own conclusions

The **Butchers** have been slaughtered

The **Firefighters** have put their fire out

The **Air Pilots** have crashed

The **Apothecaries** have run out of potions

The **Arbitrators** are arguing

The **Armourers** have lost their guard

The **Art Scholars** have run out of paint

The **Barbers** are now skinheads

The **Blacksmiths** have run out of iron

The **Brewers** have been drunk dry

The **Coachmakers** have lost their horses

The **Educators** have become illiterate

The **Farmers** have no herd left

Everything is rotten for the **Fruiterers**

The **Fuellers'** tanks are dry

The **Girdlers** will have to tighten their belts

The **IT Company** has crashed

The **Insurers** have stopped paying claims

The **Ironmongers** have gone rusty

The **Clothworkers** have had an attack of moths

The **Lightmongers** are in the dark

The **Master Mariners** have capsized

The **Musicians** are out of tune

The **Needlemakers** have pricked themselves

The **Saddlers** have lost a stirrup

The **SIM** are under the microscope

The **Security Professionals** are on holiday

The **Solicitors** are questioning their judgement

The **Spectacle Makers** can't see

The **Vintners'** wine has been turned to water

The **Watermen** are sunk

The wheel has fallen off the **Wheelwrights'** wagon

The **Woolmen** have lost their flock

The **World Traders** are twiddling their thumbs