

CROWN & SCEPTRE – ACOL

Earliest mention of the inn is in 1768 – The New Inn

The Crown & Sceptre inn was in the hands of the Cobb family by 1852, when it appeared in a batch of 52 plans for 'upgrading' and refurbishment the firm was dealing with at that date. The plans are all held now in the new facility at Maidstone. All the properties being worked on at this period seem to have been altered in a similar way. The Powell Arms in Birchington Square was only a two storey building before this date, so it is quite possible that the Crown & Sceptre was also. The third storey was added for family accommodation.

In Bagshaw's guided to East Kent of 1849, Thomas Hogbin is listed as the 'victualler' or landlord.