



A Great Western Railway platform barrow. Bewdley station has a variety of different barrows and trolleys ranging from simple sack trucks to a battery operated heavy duty barrow from Leamington Spa Station. The most common type, however, are these wooden barrows which would have been used throughout the stations existence. They are relatively primitive, with no suspension and can be difficult to handle. Mostly these had plain cast iron wheels, but some like this one had vulcanised solid rubber tires, which made them much quieter to use. Britains railways were the 'Common Carrier', which meant that they were legally required to move any item of freight or luggage if necessary. Much of this was in the form of small items, and this barrow has been loaded up with a variety of peices of luggage as a representation of this.

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