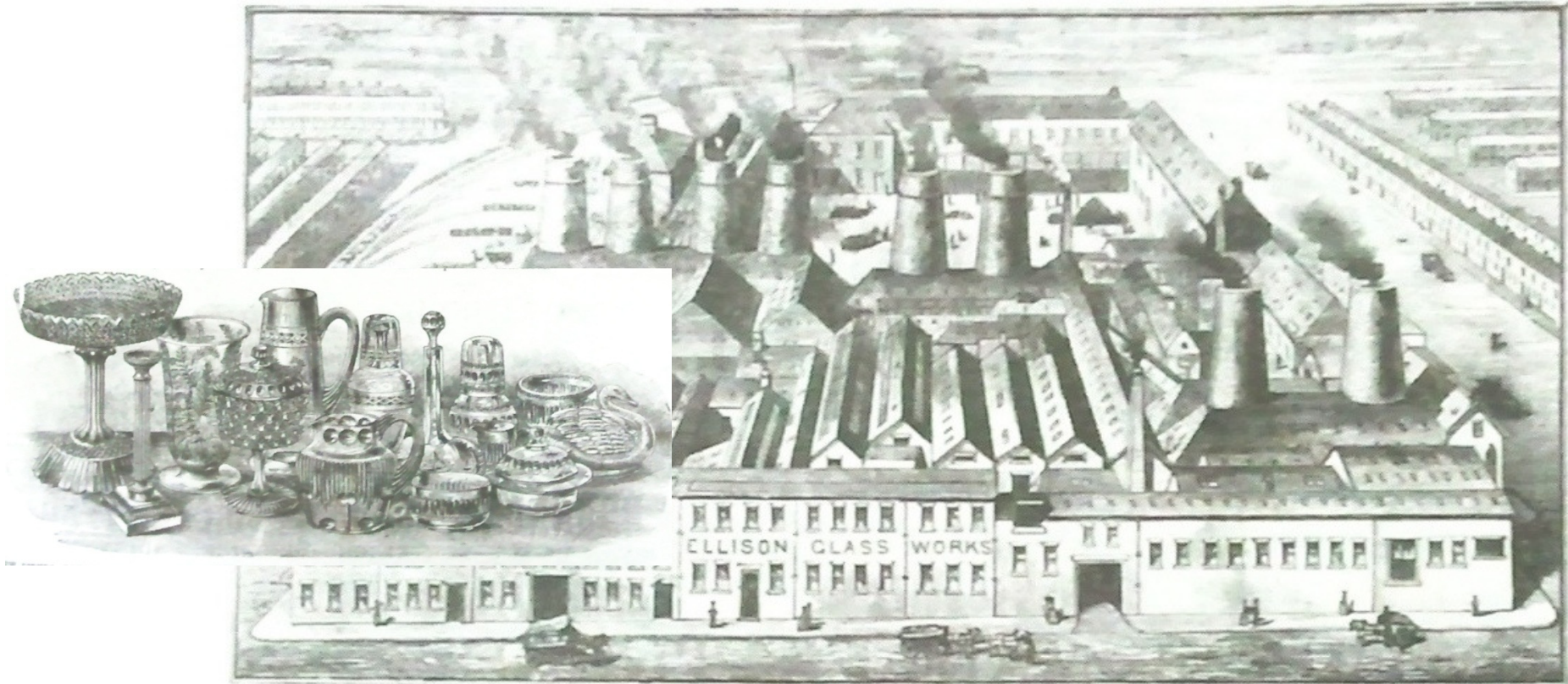




John's family lived at Benwell Tower from 1867 to 1881. How far is his house from St James' Church?
What did the area around Benwell Tower look like?
Can you find a coal mine (pit)? A fish pond? A village? Were there any other big houses like John's?



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John's family owned this factory and he managed it for most of his life. The factory made moulded glass using machines.

How many people might work in a place like this? What would working in the factory be like?

Who do you think would buy the glassware it produced?



John and Anne lived in Shipcote House in Gateshead (Photograph A) until they moved to Benwell Tower in Newcastle (Photograph B) in 1867, the year John turned 58. What differences do you see between the two houses? Why do you think they moved?



John married Anne Robson in 1842 when she was just 22. They had grown up living next door to each other. He was much older than her. How old do you think they were when the photographs were taken? How would you describe them from these photographs?