

**ALDBOURNE** is a village and parish in the hundred of Selkley, 3 miles from Ramsbury, and was once of much greater extend and consequence than at this period, having had a flourishing market; but a fire, which happened in 1760, consumed 72 houses, and property to the amount of £20,000, was destroyed by the dreadful conflagration. Seasonable relief was afforded to the sufferers by a national subscription, but the market afterwards was never good, and is now extinct. The manufacture of fustians at one time employed the capital of many respectable residents here, but that branch of trade is nearly lost, and the place is fast merging into an obscure village. The church, which is a fine structure, is the only building that is likely to engage the attention of the passenger through Aldbourne. The parish contained, in 1821, 1,385 souls.

**POST OFFICE**, RAMSBURY, John Woodruff, *Post Master*. – Letters from all parts arrive (by horse post) from HUNGERFORD every morning at half-past seven, and are despatched every afternoon at half-past 5.

## Coaches

*To LONDON*, a Post Coach (from Swindon) calls at the Bell, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at half-past seven; goes thru' Hungerford, Newbury, Reading, Maidenhead, &c.

To SWINDON, a post Coach (from London) calls at the Bell, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoon at 5.

## Carriers

*To LONDON*, William Balgrave, every Tuesday. *To MARLBOROUGH*, Samuel Fowler, every Wed. & Sat.

| Surname  | Given Names | Title     | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish |
|----------|-------------|-----------|---------------------|--------------|
| Brown    | Mary Ann    | Miss      |                     | Aldbourne    |
| Hill     | Thomas      | Gentleman |                     | Aldbourne    |
| Neate    | Stephen     | Gentleman |                     | Aldbourne    |
| Williams | Morgan      | Rev.      |                     | Aldbourne    |

## **Gentry and Clergy**

## Traders

| Surname  | Given Names      | Title | Industry/Occupation              | Place/Parish         |
|----------|------------------|-------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Bell     | Anthony Buckland |       | Publican                         | Aldbourne            |
| Pearce   |                  |       | Publican                         | Blue Boar, Aldbourne |
| Tomlins  | Thomas           |       | Publican                         | Crown, Aldbourne     |
| Bridgman | Js.              |       | Bell Founder                     | Aldbourne            |
| Cue      | John             |       | Tallow Chandler                  | Aldbourne            |
| Gould    | Charles          |       | Maltster                         | Aldbourne            |
| Herring  | Ann              |       | Shopkeeper                       | Aldbourne            |
| Hill     | George           |       | Grocer, Druggist & Undertaker    | Aldbourne            |
| Lawrence | Jane             |       | Shopkeeper                       | Aldbourne            |
| Liddiard | Daniel           |       | Parish Clerk                     | Aldbourne            |
| May      | Thomas           |       | Maltster                         | Aldbourne            |
| Palmer   | Grace            |       | Baker & Shopkeeper               | Aldbourne            |
| Palmer   | Martin           |       | Baker & Shopkeeper               | Aldbourne            |
| Palmer   | William          |       | Shopkeeper                       | Aldbourne            |
| Pizzie   | Caleb            |       | Butcher, and boot and shoe maker | Aldbourne            |

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| Sheppard | James   | Straw Hat Maker               | Aldbourne |
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| Smith    | John    | Baker & Shopkeeper            | Aldbourne |
| Smith    | Joseph  | Miller, Maltster & Blacksmith | Aldbourne |
| Taylor   | Stephen | Tailor & Shopkeeper           | Aldbourne |
| Witts    | Broome  | Fustian Manufacturer          | Aldbourne |