



Kellys Directory Extract 1903

Ansty



ANSTY is a village and parish, encompassed by downs on every side except the south, 2 miles south-by-east from Tisbury station on the Somerset and Yeovil branch the London and South Western railway, 13 ½ west from Salisbury, 7 north-east from Shaftesbury and 95½ from London, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Dunworth, Tisbury petty sessional division, Shaftesbury county court district, Tisbury union, rural deanery of Chalke (Tisbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St. James is a cruciform edifice of stone, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave, transepts, north porch and a small western belfry containing one bell: the church was restored in 1842, and more completely in 1878 and a vestry added, at a cost of about £500: there is a stained east window in memory of the late Rev. J. H. Samler: the church will seat 290 persons. The register dates from the year 1654. The living is a donative, net income £30, in the nominal gift of Lord Arundell, of Wardour, but by disability the University of Oxford, and held since 1898 by the Rev. Quartus Bacon, M.A. of St. John's College, Oxford, who is also vicar of, and resides at, Swallowcliffe. Nearly adjoining the churchyard, to the north, is a pile of old buildings, supposed to have belonged to the abbey of Shaftesbury. The whole of the parish belongs to Lord Arundell of Wardour, who is lord of the manor. The soil is sandy; subsoil, sandstone. The chief crops are wheat, barley and oats. The area is 1,327 acres; rateable value, £1,096; the population in 1901 was 217 in the civil and 225 in the ecclesiastical parish.

By an order, dated March 25, 1885, a detached part of this parish, known as Sangers, was amalgamated with Wardour.

Parish Clerk, William Lever.

Letters through Salisbury arrive at 7.45 a.m. The nearest money order & telegraph office is at Tisbury, 2 miles distant. Wall Letter Box cleared at 6.30 p.m.; & 9.30 a.m. on Sundays.

The children attend school at Swallowcliffe & Wardour.

Residents & Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Brain	Emily	Mrs.	Farmer	Manor Farm
Butt	Edward		Gunsmith	
Gray	Walter		Publican	Arundell Arms
Green	Ernest W.		Farmer	
Hansford	William		Builder & Wheelwright	
Jeffery		Mrs.		Old Castle **
Lever	William			Ansty House
Mounty	Henry		Farmer	
Parmiter	Joseph P.		Farmer	Harwood **
Parsons	Henry		Dairy	

Those entries marked ** have a Postal Address of Swallowcliffe