



Post Office Directory Extract 1875



Ashton Keynes

Ashton Keynes is a parish, in the Northern division of the county, within the parliamentary borough of Cricklade, union of Cricklade and Wootton Bassett, county court district of Cirencester, Highworth hundred, diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, archdeaconry of Bristol, and rural deanery of Cricklade, 4 miles west from Cricklade, 3 north from Minety station on the Cheltenham railway, and 88 from London. The village is pleasantly situated; the river Isla, or Thames, runs through it on one side of the road or street, and the bridges over it, leading to the houses, give it a picturesque appearance. There are remains of four ancient stone crosses in different parts of the village. The church of the Holy Cross is an ancient edifice, and has several remains of Norman architecture; it has a nave, with aisles, two chancels, and a low square tower containing 5 bells. The register dates from 1582. The living is a vicarage, with the chapelry of Leigh, gross yearly income £280, with residence, and 230 acres of glebe, held by the Rev. Smithett Swinford, M.A., of Trinity College, Cambridge, who is also the patron. Adjoining the churchyard are the remains of a monastery, surrounded by a moat, and now converted to a farm-house. There are excellent schools (mixed and infant) with residence for master and mistress, also places of worship for Baptists, Independents and Primitive Methodists. There are two charities called Hawkins's and Chapman's, both invested in land, now producing together £58, £39 per annum of which is given to the poor, and £19 for apprenticing poor children. In 1778, 25 acres of land were conveyed by the Inclosure Commissioners to trustees on behalf of the Second Poor, the rents of which, amounting to £70, are annually distributed amongst them. The Duke of Cleveland is lord of the manor and is also the chief landowner. The soil is gravel and clay; subsoil is very variable. The chief crops are grass, wheat, barley and roots. The number of acres, inclusive of Leigh, is 4,014; gross estimated rental of Ashton Keynes, £6,032; rateable value, £5,262; and of Leigh, £3,138 and £2,701 respectively; the population in 1871 was 1,330, viz: Ashton Keynes, 1,004; Leigh, 326.

PARISH CLERK:- John Burnall.

LETTERS by foot post from Cricklade, which is the nearest money order office.

INSURANCE AGENTS:- London & Lancashire, E. Broad; Manchester Fire, J. Wilkins

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL:- John Clement Evans, master; Mrs. Sarah Evans, mistress.

Gentry & Residential

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Dickinson	Henry B. F.	J.P.		Ashton House
Gleed	John			
Nicholls	William			
Salmon	William P.			Cove House
Scuse		Miss		
Smith		Mrs.		
Stokes	Gabriel	Rev., B.A.	Curate	
Swinford	Smithett	Rev., M.A.	Vicar	
Taylor		Mrs.		
Wheatley	William			
Wilkins	Richard			
Wood	John			

Commercial

Barrett	Hungerford Henry		Blacksmith	
Beek	Isaac		Farmer	

Bennett	Sydney		Tailor	
Blackford	Joseph		Farmer	
Boulton	An	Miss	Glover	
Boulton	Mary	Miss	Glover	
Boulton	Henry		Shopkeeper	
Bowley	William		Butcher	
Brain	Joseph		Shoemaker	
Brain	Robert		Shopkeeper	
Brain	William		Shopkeeper	
Broad	Emanuel		Farmer & Baker & Grocer	
Burnall	John		Wheelwright	
Carter	Charles		Carpenter & Builder	Cleveland Arms
Carter	Edward		Carpenter	
Chapman	Edwin		Butcher	
Chapman	Eliza	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Cove	David		Shoe Maker	
Cove	Thomas		Builder	
Darter	Thomas		Carpenter	
Ellison	Henry		Farmer	
Ellison	John		Carpenter	
Fairhead	George		Carpenter	
Fry	Richard		Farmer	
Fry	Robert S		Coal Dealer	
Habgood	William		Maltster & Miller	
Harvey	George		Baker	
Hayward	William		Publican	Horse & Jockey
Heavens	George		Butcher	
Heavens	Richard		Butcher	
Hiscock	Ethelbert		Farmer	
Jarvis	William Sextone		Publican	White Hart Inn
Jefferies	John	& Sons	Boot, Gaiter & Legging Makers, Leather Sellers & Glovers	
Jones	Jacob		Shopkeeper	
Lane	William		Cattle Dealer	
Lea	Edward		Glover	
Mason	James		Baker	
Matthews	John		Blacksmith	
Maundrell	Joseph		Shopkeeper	
Messenger	William		Beer Retailer	
Millard	Robert		Horse Dealer	
Nicholls	Jelco		Farmer	
Nicholls	Stephen		Horse Dealer	
Ody	William		Farmer	
Oliver	Arthur		Colt Breaker	
Plumbe	John		Farmer	
Prangley	Elisha		Boot Maker	
Saunders	George		Land Measurer	
Selby	Jeremiah		Sawyers	
Selby	John		Sawyers	
Selby	Thomas		Carpenter	
Smith	John		Beer Retailer	
Stilo	John		Butcher	
Taylor	Frederick		Grocer & Draper	
Telling	Henry		Stone Mason	
Telling	George		Calf Dealer	
Telling	Philip		Stone Mason	
Telling	Thomas		Builder	
Telling	Thomas		Farmer	
Titcombe	Richard		Farmer	
Turner	Edward		Brick & Tile Maker	

Wilkins	James		Plumber	
Wilkins	John		Saddler	