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BISHOPSTON (St. Mary), a parish, in the union of HIGHWORTH and SWINDON, hundred of RAMSBURY, Swindon and N. divisions of Wilts, 6½ miles (E.) from Swindon, containing 704 inhabitants. It comprises by computation 4000 acres, and is situated near the Wilts and Berks canal, and the Great Western railway. The living is a vicarage, valued in the king's books at £6. 6. 8., and in the gift of the Prebendary of Bishopston in the Cathedral of Salisbury: about 150 acres of land, valued at £200 per annum, were allotted at the time of the inclosure in lieu of tithes, and there is a vicarage house. The Primitive Methodists have a place of worship; and a parochial school is supported by bequests, amounting to £40 per annum.