



Kellys Directory Extract 1915

Bishopstrow



BISHOPSTROW is a parish, on the road from Warminster to Salisbury, 1½ miles south-east from Warminster station on the Salisbury and Westbury branch of the Great Western railway, and 2½ west-north-west from Heytesbury, in the Western division of the county, hundred, union, petty sessional division and county court district of Warminster, rural deanery of Wylde (Heytesbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury: the river Wylde flows through the parish. The church of St Aldhelm, rebuilt with the exception of the tower in 1757, is an edifice of stone, in mixed styles, and consists of chancel, nave, vestry, and an embattled western Norman tower, with spire containing 2 bells: the stained east window was erected in memory of Mrs Astley, and there are other stained windows, including one to Lieut. Melville Southey and another to Lieut. Vere Temple: the carved oak rood screen and oak paneling in the chancel were erected to the memory of Mrs Southey: the church was restored in 18876 at a cost of £1,600 and affords 250 sittings. The register dates from the year 1686. The living is a rectory, net income £90, including 7 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of Capt. Arthur Howard Southey, and held since 1883 by the Rev George Henry Sanders Atwood, of St Catharine's College, Cambridge. In this parish are two great camps, SCRATCHBURY, which is partly in this parish and partly in Norton Bavant, and BATTLESBURY, and in the neighbourhood are two barrows, Middle Hill and Ring Barrow. A great number of Roman coins have been found here. Eastleigh Court is the seat of Capt. Arthur Howard Southey JP and Bishopstrow House, of Grenville Newton Temple esq. JP who is lord of the manor, and with Capt. AH Southey, a principal landowner. The soil is light sand; subsoil, gravel and greensand. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area is 999 acres; rateable value, £1,543; the population in 1911 was 212 in the civil and 199 in the ecclesiastical parish.

By Local Government Board Order, 16,519, dated Mar 24, 1894, Oldfields Farm was transferred from Warminster to Bishopstrow for civil purposes.

PITMEAD is half a mile south-east; the remains of a Roman villa were found here. **MIDDLETON** is half a mile north-east; **BOREHAM** adjoins the village.

Parish Clerk: Arthur Snelgrove

Letter Box: cleared at 10.30am & 7.10pm; Sunday, 10.30am. letters through Warminster, which is the nearest money order and telegraph office, arrive at 6.45am and 1pm

Elementary School (mixed), built in 1848, for 60 children; Mrs Mary Ann Pike, mistress

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Atwood	George Henry Sanders	Reverend		Rectory
Benton	Philip			Bishopstrow House
Cole-Hamilton	John			
Erskine	Gratney R Z			The Buries
Holmes á Court	Herbert Edward	Hon. Capt. RN (retired)		
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Southey	Arthur Howard	Capt. JP		Eastleigh Court
Temple	Greville Newton	JP		Bishopstrow House

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Barnes	Emma Jane	Mrs	Shopkeeper	
Butler	James Frederick		Farm Bailiff to Capt. AH Southey	Eatleigh Farm
Everley	Jacob		Thatcher	
Gauntlet	George Farmer		Farmer	Bishopstrow Farm
Jay	William		Mason	
Oliffe	John Henry		Farmer	Knap Farm
Pridham	William		Gamekeeper to Capt. AH Southey JP	
Snelgrove	Arthur		Parish Clerk	
Thomas	Charles		Gardener to Capt. AH Southey JP	