



# Kellys Directory Extract 1903



## Chilton Foliat

**Chilton Foliat** is a parish, delightfully situated in a vale watered by the river Kennet, 2 miles north – west from Hungerford station on the Newbury and Bath section of the Great Western railway, and 9 east from Marlborough, in the eastern of the county, partly in the hundred of Kinwardstone and partly in the hundred of Kintbury Eagle, Berks, petty sessional division of Marlborough and Ramsbury, Hungerford union and county court district, rural deanery of Marlborough (Marlborough portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St Mary is a building of stone, in the early English style, consisting of chancel, nave of four bays, aisles, and an embattled western tower with pinnacles, containing a clock and 5 bells: in the chancel are several monuments of the Popham family, and several of the windows are stained: there is also a recumbent effigy in armour: the church affords 400 sittings. The register dates from the year 1530. The living is a rectory, average net yearly value £462, including 50 acres of glebe and residence in the gift of F.W. Leyborne – Popham Esq, and held since 1891 by the Rev. Thomas James Scott M.A. of Exeter College, Oxford. There is a Wesleyan chapel. Hawkin's charity of £5 8s. 8d. yearly is for clothing. Chilton House, a fine red brick mansion, the property of Francis William Leyborne – Popham Esq, is now occupied by Mrs Hammond. F.W. Leyborne – Popham Esq, of Pensford, Somerset, who is lord of the manor, and Sir William George Pearce bart. Of Chilton Lodge, Hungerford, Berks are chief landowners. The soil is gravel; sub-soil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips. The area is 2,177 acres of land and 25 of water; rateable value, £1,786; the population in 1901 was 409.

**East Soley** and **West Soley** are hamlets.

In pursuance of the "Local Government Act 1894", (56 & 57 vict. Ch. 73), part of this parish in Berkshire has been transferred to Hungerford, in that county.

**Parish Clerk**, Francis New

**Post, M.O. & T.O., T.M.O., S.B., E.D., P.P. & A. & I. O.** – George New, sub-postmistress. Letters arrive from Hungerford; delivered at 7 a.m. & 2p.m.; dispatched at 11.55 a.m. & 7.20 p.m.; Sundays 5.45 p.m..

**Elementary School**, built 1847, with residence for master 7 mistress, for 250 children; average attendance, 75; it was endowed by Mrs Smith with a sum of £21; Orlando Wilkins, master; Mrs Alice Wilkins, mistress.

### Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Occupation	Place/Parish
Canning		Misses		Bridge House
Hammond		Mrs.		Chilton House
Hammond	William	Col.		Chilton House
Scott	Thomas James	Rev., M.A.	Rector	The Rectory

### Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Trade/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baverstock	Harry		Farmer	Chilton Farm
Briant	Richard		Publican	Wheatsheaf P.H.
Canning	Richard		Secretary, Parish	

			Recreation Room	
Chamberlain	Sidney George		Miller (water)	
Dobson	Francis George		Blacksmith	
Harris	Emily	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Hawkins	Montague		Farmer	Park Farm
Hellard	Charles John		Farmer	
Hollister	Jane	Miss	Shopkeeper	
Hunt	John		Publican	Stag's Head P.H.
Lewis	Alfred William		Land Agent to F.W. Leyborne-Popham Esq.	Vine Cottage
Long	Charles W		Farmer	East Soley
New	George		Shopkeeper & Sub- Postmaster	Post Office
New	Francis		Builder & Contractor, Clerk to the Parish Council & Assistant Overseer	
Pearce	Joseph		Farmer	West Soley
Wiggins	James		Boot & Shoe Maker	