



## Kelly's Directory Extract 1915

### CLIFFE PYPARD

**CLIFFE PYPARD** (or Clyffe Pypard) is a village and parish 4 miles south from Wootton Bassett station on the Swindon and Bath section of the Great Western railway, 10 miles north-east of Marlborough and 9 south-west from Swindon, in the Northern division of the county, union of Cricklade and Wootton Bassett, chiefly in the hundred of Kingsbridge and partly in that of Elstub and Everleigh, petty sessional division of Cricklade and Wootton Bassett, Swindon county court district, rural deanery of Avebury (Avebury portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St Peter is a building of stone, of the Perpendicular period, consisting of chancel, nave, aisles, south porch and a fine embattled western tower, with pinnacles, containing a clock and 6 bells: each aisle is divided from the nave by an arcade of four columns; the chapel was rebuilt in 1861 by the impropiator and patron, Horatio Nelson Goddard esq and a memorial east window placed to the Rev Edward Goddard, a former vicar; there are other windows to members of the family of Goddard, to one of whom there is an interesting monument of oak, dated 1585: there is also a window to the Rev C W Bradford, (vicar 1863 to 1883) and his wife. A screen of fine oak, painted in the original colours, separates the chancel from the nave and two parclose screens cut off the eastern extremities of the aisles: in the north aisle under a canopy is a tomb with a recumbent figure, supposed to represent one of the Cobhams, who formerly possessed the manor; the pulpit (1629) preserves its original iron cushion rest: the font, of Bath stone, is a copy of that in Over in Cambridgeshire, was carved by the Rev F Goddard in 1840: in the north chapel is a brass c 1380, supposed to belong to the Quintin family; in the south aisle is a marble monument of Thomas Spackman, a native of Cliffe Pypard, and a benefactor to this parish: the church was restored in 1874, at a cost of £1400, exclusive of the chancel, rebuilt at a cost of £1000 by H N Goddard esq: there are 190 sittings. The register dates from the year 1576. The living is vicarage, net yearly value £367, with residence, in the gift of Mrs Wilson, and held since 1883 by the Rev Edward Hungerford Goddard MA of Brasenose College, Oxford. There is Primitive Methodist chapel at Rushton. The free grant of Cliffe Pypard, by Edward I, was made in 1305, to Roger de Cobham, from whose dependents it came, in 1525 into possession of John Goddard, who purchased the advowson of the vicarage and the rectorial tithes. In 1686, Sarah Duchess Dowager of Somerset, bequeathed the manor of Thornhill for the foundation of certain scholarships at Brasenose College, Oxford and the manor of Broad Town for the apprenticing poor boys of this county. Spackman's charity consists of the interest of £1000, left by Thomas Spackman, and now producing £34.10s per annum, which is assigned as follows:- £9 a bonus to the coal club for Cliffe and Broad Town, and the remainder for prizes for the children of the schools in these places, and for other educational purposes. Mrs Elizabeth Malpas left £100, which produces £2.15s, and there is also Broome's charity producing £2.5s yearly: these amounts are added as bonuses to the bedding club. Near to the village is a high and very steep ridge or cliff from which the place takes its name. The Manor House, the seat of Vice Admiral William Wilson JP, stands in picturesque grounds. Mrs Wilson is lady of the manor of Cliffe Pypard, and Brasenose College, Oxford are lords of the Thornhill manor. The Rev Edmund Broome MA, vicar of Hurst, Berks, the trustees of the late Richard Stratton esq, William George Mortimor esq and the County Council are the principal landowners. The soil is of a clayey nature and green sand, subsoil clay and chalk. The chief crops are grass, wheat and beans. The parish comprises 3272 acres of which the greater portion is pasture, and one third arable; rateable value, £3564. The population in 1911 was 340.

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Goddard	Edward Hungerford	MA	Reverend	Vicarage
Morse	Minerva	Miss		Thornhill
Pritchard	Ernest	JP		Woodhill Park
Wilson	William	JP		Manor House
Wilson		Mrs		Manor House
<b>COMMERCIAL</b>				
Baker	A. H.		Farmer	
Blanchett	William		Farmer	Wayles Farm, Rushton
Church	Isaac		Carpenter	Post Office
Coote	Ernest		Beer Retailer	
Cuff	Gerald Bond		Farmer	Bupton Farm *
Davis	Alfred James		Farmer	Smith's Farm
Gale	William		Bailiff to Rev. Goddard, MA	
Gleed	Albert		Cattle Dealer	
Gleed	William		Farmer	
Hull	Henry		Farmer	Rushton
Mann	John Henry		Poultry Farmer	Barton
Matthews	Richard		Farmer	North Farm, Rushton
Matthews	Robert		Gardener to Vice Adm. Wilson, JP	
Maudrell	Robert		Farmer	Parsonage Farm
Morse	John Edward		Farmer	Manor Farm, Thornhill & South Farm
Pickett	John William		Coal Dealer	Barton
Pritchard	Ernest	JP	Farmer	Wood Park Hill
Shaldon	Charles		Trap Proprietor	
Sly	Jonathan		Farmer	Church Farm
Smith	Benjamin		Grocer	Rushton
Smith	George		Beer Retailer	Rushton
Smith	Sarah	Mrs	Baker	Rushton
Spackman	John Basil		Farmer & Assistant Overseer	Home Farm
Townsend	Joseph Osborne			Goddard's Arms PH
Tuck	Henry Isaac		Farmer	Street Farm
Twine	Frederick Charles		Farmer	Breach Lane
Wheeler	E.	& Sons	Blacksmiths	
White	Frank		Farmer	Holly House Farm
Wilts Archaeology Socy.		Rev E H Goddard	Hon. Sec.	Vicarage
Wooster	Edgar Cecil		Farmer	Rushton Farm

(marked \* receive letters through Calne)

RUSHTON, 1 mile north-west, is a tithing. At Ruston are natural springs, which supply water to the town of Wootton Bassett. Parts of this parish and Broad Hinton have been formed into a separate civil parish under the name of Broad Town.

Sexton: Robert Matthews

Post & Telegraph Office:- Isaac Church, sub-postmaster. Letters received through Swindon, delivered at 8am and 1.45pm; dispatched at 12.15 and 6.35pm, weekdays only: no Sunday delivery. Broad Hinton, 2.5 miles distant, is the nearest money order office. Wall Letter Box, near the church, is cleared at 12.30 and 6.40pm, weekdays only.

Police Constable: Thomas Wheeler

Elementary School (mixed) built in 1858 for 80 children; Mrs Rose E Truscott, mistress.