



# Kelly's Directory Extract 1915

## Cricklade



CRICKLADE is a market and union town and head of a petty sessional division, near the Gloucestershire border, with a station on the Midland & South Western Junction railway, 4 miles north from Purton station and 5 miles east from Minety station on the Swindon and Gloucester branch of the Great Western railway, 50 north by west from Salisbury, 26 north from Devizes, 7 south-east from Cirencester, 8 north-east from Wootton Bassett, 8 north west from Swindon, and 84 from London in the Northern division of the county, Highworth, Cricklade and Staple hundreds, Swindon county court district and in Cricklade rural deanery, archdeaconry of North Wilts, and diocese of Bristol.

The town is pleasantly situated on a level tract of country on the north bank of the Thames (Isis) and is of great antiquity. The Thames and Severn canal passes to the north of the town, and is connected to the Wilts & Berks by the North Wilts canal which passes the town on the south-west. In 1015 it was taken and plundered by Cnut the Dane, but has not been distinguished by any event of national importance since the Conquest. A high bailiff is appointed for the town by a jury of the court leet of the lord of the manor: it was a prescriptive borough, and from Edward I, exercised the elective franchise, with various interruptions, till the reign of Henry VI, from which time it regularly returned two members to Parliament, 1782 when the franchise was extended to the adjoining divisions of Highworth, Cricklade and Staple, and it included 50 parishes, but by the "Redistribution of Seats Act 1885" the representation was merged into that of the county. The town is well par?? and lighted with gas by a company whose works are in Gas Lane.

There is a town estate called "Cricklade Waylands" from the rents of which a sum of £50 yearly is allocated for lighting the town, and the balance is assigned in reduction of the rates.

Cricklade comprises two ecclesiastical parishes, St Sampson's and St Mary's, which in 1899 were amalgamated for all civil purposes. The church of St Sampson is a spacious cruciform building in stone, dating from about 1180 and consists of chancel, nave of 3 bays, aisles, north porch, and an embattled tower, with pinnacles, containing a striking clock and 5 bells: the present vestry was formerly a chapel, built by the Hungerford family: the stained west window is a memorial to the Rev Frank Dyson MA, vicar 1849 – 87: there is a memorial window to Rose Billingham 1870 and several ancient tablets to Edwin Pleydell 1675, John Nutt, 1763, John Bristow, 1768 and others: the church was restored in 1864 and affords sittings for 500 persons. The register dates from the year 1672. The living is a vicarage, net income £270 with residence and 9 acres of glebe, in the gift of the Dean & Chapter of Bristol, and held since 1910 by the Rev Charles William Jacob MA of Keble College, Oxford.

The church of St Mary is a building of stone consisting of chancel, nave of 3 bays, aisles, south porch and a low western tower containing 4 bells: there is a clock at the east end of the nave, above the chancel roof: the chancel is divided from the nave by a circular Norman arch of the 12th century with the chevron ornament: the aisles are of Perpendicular character of the 15th century, and the tower is Early English. In 1906 a stained glass window was placed in the church in memory of the Rev John McKaye BA, rector 1885 – 1905: there are sittings for 280 persons. The register dates from the year 1684.

The living is a rectory, net yearly value £283, including 50 acres of glebe with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Bristol, and held since 1912 by the Rev Charles Wray of Jesus College, Cambridge. The Baptist Chapel, erected in 1852, has 200 sittings. The Congregational chapel, built in 1878 seats 300; the Primitive Methodist chapel built in 1855 will hold 250 persons, and the Wesleyan chapel, built in 1870, has 200 sittings.

The Town Hall, erected in 1861 will hold 250 persons.

An illuminated clock was erected in High St in 1897 by public subscription in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria. In the parish of St Mary are the remains of a priory, founded in the reign of Henry III, and dedicated to St John the Baptist, and now converted into private residences: there was also a hospital dedicated to the same saint, some land belonging to which, in St Sampson's parish, is still called "the Spital". A market for fat and store cattle on the third Tuesday in each month is well-attended.

Cricklade and Wootton Bassett form a union,

There is a Lammas meadow, called North Meadow, of 104 acres, into which, from Lammas to Candlemas, the inhabitants have the right of turning their cattle. A stone cross which formerly stood in the principal street, was removed into the churchyard of St Sampson, when the old Town Hall was taken down. There is also a stone cross in good preservation in the churchyard of St Mary's parish.

Hodges Charity of about £5 and a tract of about 100 acres of land, given to the poor of Cricklade, out of the forest of Braydon, when it was disafforested by King Charles II, now produces about £140 yearly. Dunches charity consisting of lands producing about £23 a year. Sir A Hungerford's of £19 yearly and Farmer's and Barker's charity of £53 yearly, by a scheme of Charity Commissioners, of the end of October, 1906, and which came into force on the 21<sup>st</sup> August 1908, the above charities, which are now called the United Charities of Cricklade, are distributed as follows; 5s a week to aged men and women over 60 who are unable fully to maintain themselves: the election of these pensioners is by ballot, and upon any of the pensioners attaining the age of 70, they drop off and another is elected: this takes £104 yearly; £30 a year is devoted to apprenticing either girls or boys to various trades; the remainder of the income is spent in nursing the sick and infirm, the provision of certified midwives who attend poor women in childbirth, and sending persons to the infirmary, dispensary, hospitals or convalescent homes. The supplying of clothes, linen, fuel, tools, medical aid, up to a sum not exceeding £25 in any one year. The income of all the above charities amounts to about £242 yearly. Major Henry Smyth in 1853 gave £1000 to the two parishes for the promotion of education, and this benefaction is vested in the hands of five trustees for the purpose assigned. The interest of £600 to St Sampson's and £400 to St Mary's, also the gift of Major Smyth is laid out annually in the purchase of warm clothing for the poor in November.

The kennels of the Vale of White Horse hounds are situated here; William Fleetwood Fuller esq JP is master; the pack hunts thrice a week with an occasional by-day. Swindon is a convenient town for hunting visitors. The hon Mrs Pleydell Bouverie, the Earl of St Germans and W Fuller Heberden esq CB are the principal landowners. The soil is a rich loam. The land is mostly in pasture. The parish which includes the hamlets of Great and Little Chetworth and Calcutt, and part of the hamlet of Breydon contains 6411 acres, rateable value £14635. The population in 1911 was 1521.

The population of the ecclesiastical parish in 1911 was St Mary, 322, St Sampson, 1199.

UPPER & LOWER WIDHILL are tithings.

Parish Clerk at St Sampson's; Alfred Kilminster

Parish Clerk at St Mary's; Joseph Giles

Post M O & T Office:- Harry Stephens, sub-postmaster. Letters from London and all parts arrive from Swindon at 4.10am and 10am and 2.20 and 5.45pm and are dispatched at 12.15, 3.10 and 9pm, Sundays 9pm, delivered 6.45am and 10.20am, 2.50 and 6.10pm. Sundays 7am, box closes at 9pm. Money Orders are granted and paid from 8am to 8pm. Parcels post, dispatched at 12.15, 3 and 8pm

## COUNTY MAGISTRATES FOR CRICKLADE PETTY SESSIONAL DIVISION

Surname	Given Names	Title	Address	District
Wilson	William	Vice Admiral	Clyff Manor	Wooton Bassett (Chairman)
Baines	Matthew Talbot		Buckhill	Calne
Bond	Richard		Stafford House	Wootton Bassett
Bulley	Frederick Pocock		Marston Maisey	Cricklade
Buxton	Gerald James		Tockenham Manor	Wooton Bassett
Fuller	William Fleetwood			Cricklade
Gauntlett	William Roger		Manor Farm	Fairford
Gouldsmith	Jesse Devenish	Captain	Mill Cottage	Ashton Keynes
Hay-Drummond	Arthur William H	Lt Col		
Horton	Henry John		Eisey	Cricklade

Hussey-Freke	Ambrose Raufe Eyre		The Cottage	Goodwood
Iles	Charles John		College Farm	Purton
Sadler	James Henry		Lydiard House	Lydiard Millicent
Ward	John Edward		Red Lodge	Purton

The chairman, for the time being, of the Cricklade and Wooton Bassett Rural District Council is an ex-officio magistrate Clerk to the Magistrates: Robert Collins Hawkes, Wooton Bassett.  
Petty Sessions are held at the Town Hall the last Saturday and at the Police Court, Wooton Bassett on the second Saturday in every month at 11am, and the parishes and places in the division are Ashton Keynes, Braydon, Broad Town, Clyffe Pypard, Cricklade, Latton, Leigh, Lydiard Millicent, Lydiard Tregoar, Lyneham, Marston Maisey, Purton, Tockenham and Wooton Bassett.

#### **PUBLIC ESTABLISHMENTS**

Police Station: High St, Harvey Keeys, sergeant, and one constable  
Town Hall: George Blake Lansdown, proprietor

#### **PUBLIC OFFICERS**

Assistant Overseer: **John Hollister** Franklin, High Street.  
Collector of Rates & Taxes: **Abijah Alexander Ockwell**, High Street  
High Bailiff: vacant  
Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, No 3 District, Cricklade & Wooton Bassett union and Medical Officer under the Factory Act: **Frank Lewarne**, MRCS Eng, LRCP Lond.  
Registrar for Births & Deaths for Purton Sub-District: **Rufus Isaac Webb**, High St, Purton, Deputy: **John Barnes**, The Common, Purton.  
Registrar for Marriages for Cricklade Sub-District: **Albert Thomas Giles**, Calcutt Street.  
Secretary to the Feoffres of Wayland Estate: **John Hollister Franklin**, High Street.

#### **PLACES OF WORSHIP** with times of service

St Sampson's Church, **Rev Charles William Jacob MA**, vicar 11am, 2.30 and 6.30pm: daily at 8.30am  
St Mary's Church, **Rev Charles Wray MA**, rector, 11am and 6pm: Holy Communion, alternate Sundays, 8.30am and midday.  
Baptist: 10.30am and 6pm  
Congregational: **Rev Wiliam Edward Bryant**, 11am and 6pm  
Primitive Methodist: 10.45am and 6pm  
Wesleyan (Swindon, Wesley and Wantage Circuit), 2.30 and 6pm

#### **SCHOOLS**

Parochial, erected by **Robert Jenner**, goldsmith of London in 1652 for 136 boys, William James Arnold, master  
Girls' school, erected in 1910, for 72 girls. **Miss Janet Johnston**, mistress  
Infants' school, erected in 1869, for 90 children, **Miss Maria Elizabeth Hoare**, mistress

#### **CONVEYANCES**

Omnibus to & from Purton station, three times a day  
Midland & S W J station, frequent trains from Andover to Cheltenham: **William Walkley**, stationmaster  
Parcels for Cricklade, from London (Waterloo) should be addressed via Andover  
Goods from (Nine Elms), London should be addressed via Andover & Bristol. Birmingham and the North should be addressed (Mid) via Cheltenham

#### **CARRIERS to:-**

Cirencester – Clark Bros to the Sun Inn, mon & fri  
Purton – Clark Bros, three times daily

### Private Residents

Surname	Given name	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bryant	William Edward	Reverend	Congregational	The Manse High St
Comley	Hubert			The Brow High St
Cuss	Neville John			High St
Fuller	William Fleetwood		JP	
Jacob	Charles William MA	Reverend	Vicar	Vicarage
Kirwan	Henry Dactes	Commander	Royal Navy	Brook House
Landsdown	Thomas			High St
Lewarne	Frank			High St
Lloyd-Jones	Gordon			Manor House
Lovett		Miss		Danvers House
Taylor		Misses		Alkington Ho. High St
Wray	Charles MA	Reverend		St. Mary's Rectory
Young	William Thomas			Calcutt St
<b>Commercial</b>				
Baker	& Sons		Drapers	High St
Baldwin	George		Insurance Agent	Latton Wharf
Barnes	Anna Maria	Mrs	Carpenter	Forty
Barnes	Maria	Mrs	Shopkeeper	Calcutt St
Bennett	Henry Victor		Baker	High St
Bird	Lowington		Farmer	Leigh Cottage Farm
Blackwell	& Sons		Saddlers	High St
Bond	& Son		Grocers	Calcutt St
Brown	Eliza	Mrs	Shopkeeper	High St
Munroe	John	Manager	Gas & Coke Co	Gas Lane
Bush	& Son		Bakers & Mealmen	High St
Calney	William		Beer Retailer	Forty
Landsdown	Thomas	Agent	Capital & Counties Bank Ltd	High St
Carter	John Thomas		Farmer	Upper Widhill
Carter	Louisa	Mrs	Butcher	High St
Clappen	Henry		Boot Warehouse	High St
Clark			GWR Agents & Carriers	High St
Clark	James		Farmer	Common
Clarke			Farmer	Chelworth
Clifford	John		Farmer	Whitehall & Gryphon Lodge
Clifford	William		Farmer	Chelworth
Close	Thomas		Farmer	Ballack Acre & Fairfield
Cole	Sidney		Ironmonger & Beer Retailer	High St
Cook	Frank		Farmer	Dudgmoor
Cook	Jesse		Farmer	Common
Cook	Richard		Farmer	Oxhouse
Cowley	Robert		Farmer & Cattle Dealer	High St
Collerne	John		Painter & Plumber	High St
Curtis	Raymond		Hay Trusser	
Cuss	Frank		Farmer & Horse Dealer	Parsonage Farm
Cuss	Frederick		Cattle Dealer	Common
Cuss	John George		Horse & Cattle Dealer	Abington Court Farm
Cuss	Neville John		Civil Engineer	High St

Cuss	Victor		Cattle Dealer	Calcutt St
Edwards	Alfred			Vale Hotel High St
Franklin	Thomas Lewis		Undertaker	High St
Freeth	Frederick George		Farmer	Calcutt St
Gee	Louisa	Mrs	Wardrobe Dealer	High St
Gilbert	Herbert		Coal Dealer	
Giles	Albert		Fruiterers	High St
Giles			Shopkeeper	High St
Giles	& Sons		Carpenters	The Stank
Giles	Albert Thomas		Coal Merchant & Registrar of Marriages	Calcutt St
Giles	Ernest Albert		Hay Dealer	
Giles	Ernest Edward		Hay & Straw Dealer	Forty
Giles	Jonathan		Farmer	Godbys Farm
Giles	Richard		Farmer	
Giles	William		Cow Keeper	Calcutt St
Gleed	Mark		Farmer	Chelworth
Goodson	Henry Edward		Grocer	High St
Grist	Harriet Ellen	Mrs	White Hart Hotel Accomodation	High St
Grist	Harriet Ellen	Mrs	Hunting & Fishing Motor Garage	High St
Grist	Harriet Ellen	Mrs	Stabling	High St
Gunning	Harry		Saddler & Harness Maker	High St
Haines	William		Boot & Shoe Maker	High St
Hale	William Henry		Baker	High St
Hall	Charles		Beer Retailer	High St
Hammond	Leonard Owen		Motor Engineer & Garage	High St
Hardman	David		Haulier	Purton Rd
Harris	John		Baker	Calcutt St
Hawkes	Robert Collins		Solicitor & Clerk to Magistrates	High St
Hayward	William George		Photographer & Tobacconist	High St
Heaven	Sarah	Mrs	Cow Keeper	Chelworth
Hicks	Joseph Charles		Farmer	Bourne Lake Farm
Kilminster	Alfred		Plasterer	Forty
Kilminster	Edgar		Carpenter & Beer Retailer	High St
Kilminster	Elizabeth	Mrs	Shopkeeper	High St
Kilminster	Frank		Hairdresser	High St
Kinneir			Solicitors	High St
Kirby	Elizabeth	Miss	District Nurse	Calcutt St
Lansdown	George Blake		Plumber	High St
Large	Frederick		Farmer	Lower Widhill
Lewarne	Frank	Doctor	Surgeon & Medical Officer & Vaccinator	No 1 District Cricklade & Wooten Bassett
Lewarne	Frank	Doctor	Union & Medical Officer Under Factory Act	
Little			Plasterer	Abington Court Lane
Little	William		Glove & Gaiter Manufacturer	High St
Franklin	John Holister	Agent	Lloyds Bank (Sub Branch)	High St
Lovett		Miss	Private School	Danvers House
Maslin		Miss	Private School	Danvers House
Lucas	Crissie C	Miss	Teacher of Music	High St

Lucas	Edward Albert		Fishmonger	High St
Ludlow-Hewitt	Alfred		Farmer	Broadlease
Manning	John		Coal Merchants	
Martin	John			Red Lion Inn High St
Morley	Charles		Chemist & Druggist	High St
Mullings	Elliott		Solicitors	High St
Nash	Daniel		Blacksmith	High St
New	Daniel		Shopkeeper	High St
New	Neville John		Marine Store Dealer	High St
Newman	Robert		Farmer	Lower Sales Farm
Nunn	Sarah Ann	Mrs	District Nurse	Calcutt St
Ockwell	Abijah Alexander		Collector of Rates & Taxes	High St
Ockwell	Abijah Alexander		Clerk to the Cricklade Charities	High St
Ockwell	Alexander James		Printer	High St
Ockwell	George William		Baker	Calcutt St
Ockwell	Jonah		Plasterer	Calcutt St
Pearce	John			Kings Head Public House
Peare	Thomas		Castrator	The Dance
Pinnock	Peter		Stone Mason	Back Lane
Ponting	Herbert		Farmer	Middle Bury Braydon
Potter	Charles		Farmer	Kings Barn Farm
Rawlings	Thomas		Farmer	Lower Bury Hill Farm
Busby	Wiinifred	Miss	Confectioner	High St
Sadler			Butcher	High St
Selby	George		Cow Keeper	Chelworth
Selman	Stephen		Farmer & Hay Dealer	Forty
Selman	Ellen	Mrs	Dressmaker	High St
Selman	George		Farmer	Fiddle Farm
Sims	James			White Lion Inn High St
Smith	Arthur		Grocer	High St
Smith	Martha	Mrs	Farmer	Chelworth
Stephens	Harry		Sub- Postmaster & Stationer	High St
Stratford	David		Confectioner	High St
Stump	Charlie Albert		Farmer	Chelworth
Titcombe	William James		Farmer	Bourne Farm, Purton
Lansdown	George Blake		Town Hall Proprietor	
Trinder	William		Butcher	High St
Turk	William			Old Bear Public House
Fuller	Wm Fleetwood		Master	Vale of White Horse Kennels
Willis	Joe		Huntsman	Vale of White Horse Kennels
Thornton	John	esq	Secretary	Vale of White Horse Kennels
Wakefield	John George		Draper	High St
Watts	Elizabeth	Mrs	Shopkeeper	High St
Webb	Rufus Isaac		Register of Births & Deaths Officer	Purton Sub district
Webb	Rufus Isaac		Relieving & Collecting for the Guardians	Purton Sub district
White	Thomas		Farmer	Hallstone
Wilkins	Sidney James		Grocer	High St
Wilks	William		Cycle Agent	Church Lane

Willis	Joe		Huntsman	Vale of White Horse hounds
Woodward	William		Bootmaker	Forty
Yeates	Emma	Mrs	Grocer	High St
<b>Braydon</b>				
Jay	Harvey	Capt		White Lodge
Clifford	John		Farmer	Gryphon Lodge
Freeth	William Henry		Farmer	Braydon
Gillett	Sidney		Farmer	Lone Barn Farm
Godfrey-Tull	Charles E		Farmer	Gospel Oak