



# Parish News

## *Dinton*

### **PROPOSED ALTERATION OF PETTY SESSIONAL AREAS**

The report of the committee on this matter was, at the last sessions, ordered to lie upon the table.

The Clerk of the Peace now intimated that though nothing stood upon the agenda in reference to this subject, there had been transmitted to him under the Statute George IV., chap. 43, six statements under the hands of two or more justices of the county, proposing alterations in several petty sessional divisions as follows :- (1) That the parishes of Charlton and Wilsford be transferred from the petty sessional division of Devizes to that of Everley and Pewsey; (2) that the parish of Castle Eaton be transferred from Cricklade to Swindon; (3) that the parishes of Lydiard Millicent, Lydiard Tregoze, Lyneham, Tockenham, Wootton Bassett and Cliffe Pypard be transferred from Swindon to Cricklade; (4) that the parishes of Dinton, Ebbesborne Wake, and Fovant be transferred from Hindon to Salisbury and Amesbury; (5) that the parishes of Fisherton Delamere and Wylve be transferred from Warminster to Salisbury and Amesbury, and that the petty sessional division now called the Salisbury and Amesbury Division be henceforth called the Salisbury Division; and (6) that the parishes of North Bradley and Southwick be transferred from Whorwelsdown to Trowbridge and Westbury.

Sir Charles Hobhouse said with the Chairman's permission he would propose that the Committee upon this subject should be reappointed for another year, for the purpose of considering the various matters arising in connection therewith. Several parishes on the borders of Berkshire and Hampshire respectively, which, under the existing law, could only take place when it was considered to be expedient for constabulary purposes; and if this county were of opinion that the change was desirable in that respect it would communicate with the other counties concerned: if they agreed to the proposal the transfer would take place; if not, the whole question fell through. For the purpose of considering these matters it was desirable that the Committee should be re-appointed, and he made a motion to this effect; the statement, now filed to lie on the table till the next Sessions.

Major T. Clark seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

Sir Charles Hobhouse then moved that the petitions from the various parishes asking to be transferred to the counties of Berks and Hants be referred to the Constabulary Committee, with the request that they should report at the next Quarter Sessions whether or not, for constabulary purposes, it was desirable that the changes should be made; and the whole question could then be discussed by the Court.

This was seconded and agreed to.

Sir Charles thereupon further proposed that, as the Constabulary Committee would be taking up the whole question of the transfer to other counties of those places which had petitioned to that effect, they should at the same time consider and report upon the case of various other parishes which had not made any objection to the changes proposed by the original committee in the same direction.

Mr G. Morrison suggested that the Committee should deal with the parish of West Wellow, on the borders of Somerset, at the same time.

Sir Charles agreed to the suggestion.

Mr Swayne said he preferred that the old name should be retained by the Salisbury and Amesbury Division but Sir Charles pointed out that no change was yet proposed, the whole proceeding in this respect being purely formal until they had the report of the Committee before them.

The motion was then carried.

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