



Fittleton

The Parish In 1848

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Immediately above this parish (Figheldean) on the eastern bank of the Avon is Fittleton of which we can find no trace in the Domesday Book. Its area comprises about 3180 acres and has a population of 336. The church is an ancient structure in the early English style, the nave is separated from the aisles by a lofty range of clustered columns, and the roof is of carved oak. The living is a rectory in the patronage of the President of the Fellows of Magdalen College, Oxford, and the rectorial tythes have been commuted at £430, in addition to which there are certain impropriate tythes commuted at £64. The glebe comprises thirty two acres, and is valued at £36.

Here is an endowed school founded under the will of H. Clarke, esq in 1712, and further endowed under the wills of E Buckingham esq and the Rev. R. Kaye 1729, of which the minister and churchwardens are the governors. The present income is £9 16s, in respect of which fourteen children are taught reading and writing, and there are also two other small charities.

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