

Kellys Directory Extract 1915 Ham



HAM is a village and parish on the Berkshire border, 4 miles south from Hungerford station and 4 from Bedwyn station, both on the Great Western railway, and 11 south-east from Marlborough, in the Eastern division of the county, Elstub hundred, petty sessional division of Marlborough and Hungerford, Hungerford union and county court district, rural deanery of Marlborough, (Pewsey portion) archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury. The church of All Saints is a small edifice of stone in the Early English style, and consists of chancel, nave, north porch, and a tower with pinnacles, containing 4 bells; there are sittings for 200 persons. The register dates from the year 1530. The living is a rectory, net income £257, including 20 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Oxford, and held since 1900 by the Rev. John Arkell MA of Pembroke College, Oxford. S W Farmer esq JP, Messrs Wilson Bros, and the trustees of the late John Cummings, are the principal landowners. The soil is clay, sub-soil, sand. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and swedes. The area is 1652 acres, rateable value £1177: the population in 1911 was 192.

Sexton: John Haines

Post Office (closed on Sat at 1pm) Mrs Ada Gibbs, sub-postmistress. Letters arrive by foot post from Hungerford at 6.55am & 4pm, dispatched at 9.20am & 5.40pm, Sunday 7.45am. Shallborne, 1 mile distant, is the nearest money order and telegraph office.

Elementary School (mixed) with residence attached, built in 1874, at a cost of £400 for 60 children. Miss Kate Poole, mistress.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arkell	John	Reverend,	Rector	Rectory
		MA		-
Pinniger	Stanley Vickers			Ham Spray
Woodman		Misses		Ivy Cottage

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Billington	Henry		Farm Bailiff to S W Farmer esq JP	The Laurels
Cocks	Charles		Publican	Crown & Anchor PH
Stockwell	David		Dairyman	
Wilson Bros			Farmers	Spray Farm