



Swindon & District Directory Extract 1928



Hilmarton

Is 3 miles from Calne, 4 from Dauntsey, and 7 from Wootton Bassett, G.W.R. Stations, and is in the Chippenham Division of Wilts, Calne Union, Petty Sessional Division, and County Court District, and Diocese of Salisbury. The Church of St. Lawrence, which contains an old chained Bible, has a register dating from 1645. The living is a Vicarage – net yearly value £269 and house in the patronage of the Crown. There is a Baptist Chapel at Hilmarton and at Goatacre there are Congregational and Primitive Methodist Chapels. There is also a Congregational Chapel at Cleveancy. A school was built in 1851. There are five almshouses (built and endowed by the late Mr. W. H. Poynder) for old servants of the Manor. Area, 5,252 acres; rateable value £7,110; population in 1921, 715. Letters are delivered from Hilmarton Post Office at 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. , and despatched at 9.25 a.m. and 5.45 p.m. on week days and at 6.45 p.m. on Sundays. The telephone service is now accessible at Hilmarton, the public call office being the Post Office.

BEVERSBROOK, 1 mile south, and CATCOMBE, 1 mile north west, are district tithings, and CLEVEANCY, 2½ miles east and GOATACRE. 1 mile north, are hamlets. A district called NEW ZEALAND forms part of Goatacre.

HIGHWAY, a small hamlet 2 miles east, is included in the Hilmarton parish for rateable and postal purposes, but is ecclesiastically connected with the parish of Bremhill. It has a pretty little Church dedicated to St. Peter, and a service is conducted there each Sunday by the Vicar of Bremhill or one of his assistant clergy.

VICAR – Rev. James Benoy.

POSTMISTRESS – Miss T. L. Wiltshire.

SCHOOLMASTER – W. R. Dakin.

CARRIER – F. Taylor, to Swindon.

Gentry/Private Residents

| Surname | Given Names | Title | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Atlay | T. W. | | | |
| Benoy | J. | Rev. | | The Vicarage |
| Bridges | C. | | | Fairview House, Goatacre |
| Burdge | W. W. | | | Manor Farm |
| Carr | V. | | | Lower Littlecott Farm |
| Cleary | N. | | | Goatacre |
| Cox | J. T. | | | New Zealand |
| Dakin | W. R. | | School Master | |
| Doble | S. | | | Cowage Farm |
| Earle | | Lieut.-Col. | | Hilmarton Lodge |
| Ferris | F. E. | | | Corton Farm |
| Fry | F. | | | Witcombe Farm |
| Godwin | H. M. | | | Lower Penn Farm |
| Harris | W. | | Retired Police Sergeant | Goatacre |
| Hutchings | H. | | | Catcombe Farm |
| Iles | T. H. | | | Lower Goatacre Farm |
| Isaacs | | | Police Constable | Hilmarton |
| Keevil | W. | | | Cliffansty Farm |
| Law | W. | | | Norfolk House, New Zealand |
| Lewis | J. | | Retired Farmer | New Zealand |
| Lewis | W. | | Retired Railway Guard | New Zealand |
| Masters | A. G. | | | Rodwell Farm |

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|-----------|-------|---------|----------------|----------------|
| Matthews | C. | | | New Zealand |
| Pinniger | A. L. | | | Littlecot Farm |
| Reeves | G. | | | Hilmarton |
| Richens | F. | Miss | School Teacher | |
| Sims | H. | | | Marsh Farm |
| Sims | W. | | | Marsh Farm |
| Tonge | F. H. | Captain | | Highway Manor |
| Wiltshire | T. L. | Miss | Post Mistress | |

Traders

| Surname | Given Names | Title | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish |
|-----------|-------------|------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Bolt & Son | Farmers | Cleveancy Farm |
| Archard | | Miss | Ladies School | |
| Archer | F. | | Farmer & Milkman | Goatacre |
| Archer | T. | | Gardener | Corton Hill |
| Balch | A. | & Son | | Highway Farm |
| Bryant | E. C. | | Carpenter | |
| Burchell | J. | | Haulier & Clerk to the Parish Council | New Zealand |
| Charlotte | C. | | Hay Trusser | New Zealand |
| Church | W. | | Farmer | Goatacre |
| Compton | H. | | Small Holder & Carrier | Noon Trees |
| Eattell | E. J. | | Farmer | Catcombe Old Farm |
| Fry | P. W. | | Farmer | Spilman's Farm |
| Godwin | J. | | Farmer | Sunnyside Farm |
| Green | J. | | Licensed Victualler | Duke Inn |
| Hart | A. H. | | Baker | |
| Heath | F. | | Farmer | Goatacre |
| Hillier | H. J. | | Carpenter, Wheelwright & Undertaker | |
| Iles | E. V. | | Farmer | Goatacre Farm |
| King | G. | | Dealer | New Zealand |
| King | H. | | Poultry Farmer & Dealer | New Zealand |
| Lewis | L. F. | | Agent for the "North Wilts Herald" | |
| Read | | Mrs. | Shopkeeper | Goatacre |
| Reeves | J. | | Dealer | Highway |
| Simpkins | H. | | Small Holder | New Zealand |
| Smith | J. | | Mason | |
| Stevens | F. | | Coal Merchant & Farmer | |
| Stevens | R. | | Blacksmith | |
| Taylor | F. | | Shop Keeper & Dealer | New Zealand |
| Taylor | F. J. | | Farmer & Dealer | New Zealand |
| Townsend | H. | | Farmer | Hopping Stones |
| Tucker | F. | | Carpenter | |
| Wheeler | W. | | Gardener | Hilmarton |
| Wilkins | F. | | Farmer & Dealer | |
| Wiltshire | L. | Mrs. | Baker & Provision Merchant | Post Office Stores |
| Wright | W. J. | | Farmer | Beverbrook Farm |