



Kelly's Directory Extract 1903

Hindon



Hindon is a parish, mostly comprised in one straight street, nearly a quarter of a mile in length, on a gradual acclivity, on the high road from Salisbury to Taunton, 3 ½ miles north-west from Tisbury station on the Salisbury and Yeovil branch of the South Western railway, 7 miles east from Mere, 16 west of Salisbury and 8 north-by-east from Shaftesbury, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Downton, Tisbury and Mere petty sessional division, Tisbury union, Shaftesbury county court district, rural deanery of Chalke (Tisbury portion), and archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury. This was an ancient Parliamentary borough by prescription, and possessed a local government, having a bailiff and burgesses, and returned two members to parliament, but was disfranchised at the passing of the Reform Act in 1832.

On Holy Thursday, July 2nd, 1755, two-thirds of the town were destroyed by fire. The houses are built chiefly of stone, raised from the quarry at Tisbury, in this locality. The main street is planted on each side with trees presented by the late Sir Michael Robert Shaw-Stewart bart. on the occasion of the marriage of His Majesty Edw. VII. when Prince of Wales, 10 March, 1863.

The church of St. John the Baptist, built in 1871, at the cost of Richard, late Marquess of Westminster, on the site of the old church, probably erected about 1555, is of Chilmark stone with Bath stone dressings, in the Early French Gothic style, and consists of chancel, nave, aisles, south porch, vestry, and a western tower, with spire, containing a clock and 6 bells: there are three memorial windows to the late Marquess of Westminster, d. 1869: the lectern was given in memory of J. G. and T. Hacker: the church affords 400 sittings. The register dates from the year 1595. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £179, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor, and held since 1897 by the Rev. Julian Pattison, of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. Here is a chapel for Primitive Methodists.

James Ames Esq, late of Hindon, surgeon, who died June 9th, 1828, left by will £10 annually to the poor of this parish for ever, to be distributed by the overseers in bread and clothing on Christmas Eve.

The market formerly held on Thursday has become obsolete, but fairs are still held on the 27th May and 29th of October. The town is almost wholly the property of Sir Michael Robert Shaw-Stewart bart. of Fonthill Abbey.

The soil is light chalky loam; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oates &c. and pasturage. The area is 212 acres; rateable value, £802; the population in 1901 was 413.

Parish Clerk, William Beckett

Post, M. O. & T. O., T. M. O., S. B., E. D., P. P. & A. & I. O. - Mrs. Fanny Plank, postmistress. Letters arrive via Salisbury by cross road mail cart & are delivered at 7 a.m. & 3.55 p.m.; dispatched at 11:30 & 6:30 p.m. by same conveyance on week days & 6:30 p.m. on Sundays.

Public Officers

Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, Hindon District, Tisbury Union, Joseph Charles Blythe L.R.C.S. & L.R.C.P.Edin. Southridge house.

Relieving Officer, No 1 District, Tisbury Union, School Attendance Officer, Registrar of Births & Deaths, Vaccination Officer, Hindon Sub-District & Collector to the Guardians, Sidney James Isaac.

School

Elementary School (mixed & infants), for 141 children; average attendance, 83 boys & girls & 54 infants; John Frederick Lang, master; Mrs. Caroline Lang, infants' mistress.

Carrier – Mrs. Mary Ann Beckett, to Salisbury, tues, returning same day

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Blythe	Joseph Chas.			Southridge House
Norriss	Stephen			Hindon
Pattisson	Julian	Rev.		The Vicarage
Ranger	Thomas Edward			Hindon

Commercial Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beckett	James		Shopkeeper	Hindon
Beckett	Mary Ann	Mrs	Farmer & Carrier	Hindon
Beckett	William		Basket Maker & Parish Clerk	Hindon
Bell	Henry		Shoe Maker	Hindon
Bevis	Henry Fremantle		Tailor	Hindon
Bevis	William Fremantle		Farmer	Hindon
Blythe	Joseph Charles	L.R.C. S. & L.R.G. P. Edin., L.S.A.	Physician & Surgeon & Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, Hindon district, Tisbury Union	Southridge House
Cambray	Leonard		Butcher	Hindon
Coombs	Albert	Mrs	Shoeing smith	Hindon
Doughty	Hy.		Thrashing Machine Proprietor	Hindon
Edwards	Joseph		Insurance Agent	Hindon
Fry	John		Blacksmith	Hindon
Hacker	Francis Geo.		Boot & Shoe maker	Hindon
Hacker	Wm.		<i>Lamb inn</i> , & Farmer	Hindon
Hayter	Albert		Baker	Hindon
Isaac	Sidney Jas.		Relieving Officer, No. 1 district, Tisbury Union & Attendance Officer to the Rural School Attendance Committee, Registrar of births & deaths & Vaccination Officer, Hindon sub-district, Tisbury Union & Collector to Guardians	Hindon
Kemp	Jn.		<i>Grosvenor Arms</i> P.H. & Farmer	Hindon
Rawlings & Son			Grocers & Drapers	Hindon
Rawlings	Emma Louise	Miss	Corn & Seed Stores & Bacon Curer	Hindon
Staples	William Probert		Farmer	Hawking Down
White	Edward		Coal Dealer	Hindon
White	Standford		Grocer	Hindon