

Kelly's Directory Extract 1920



Imber

Imber is a parish, 7 miles east-by-north from Warminster station, 7 south-east from Westbury station, and 5 north-east from Heytesbury station, all on the Salisbury and Westbury branch of the Great Western railway, in the Westbury division of the county, Swanborough hundred, Warminster union, petty sessional division and county court district, rural deanery of Potterne (Potterne portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St. Giles is a building of stone, in the Decorated and Perpendicular styles, consisting of chancel, nave of three bays, aisles, north porch, and an embattled western tower, with five pinnacles and containing 5 bells: there is a piscina at the east end of the south aisle, and in the porch a mutilated stoup: two recumbent stone effigies of knights lie in the church, one being within a 14th century arched recess in the south aisle: the font is Early Norman, with herring bone work round the top: the chancel was rebuilt in 1849, at a cost of £630 10s. by the Marquess of Bath and the church was thoroughly restored in 1895 at a cost of £1,000, and affords about 200 sittings. The register dates from the year 1707. The living is a vicarage, net income £240, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury, and held since 1917 by the Rev. Edgar Glanfield M.A. of Wadham College, Oxford. Here is a Baptist chapel, built in 1839, seating 180.

The principal landowners are trustees of the late Thomas Holloway, James Hooper esq., the trustees of Mrs Tinker, and Lieut.-Col. J. H. S. Seagram.

The soil is flinty; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, oats, barley and pasture. The area is 3,047 acres; rateable value, £1,542; the population in 1911 was 255.

Sexton, Albert Daniels

Post Office – John Carter, subpostmaster. Letters arrive through Warminster. Chitterne, about 3 miles distant, is the nearest money order & telegraph office.

Elementary School (Mixed), erected in 1836 & enlarged in 1876, for 54 children; Miss Henrietta Williams, mistress

Motor Omnibus- S. G. Dean, to Warminster, sat.; other places by arrangement

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Glanfield	Edgar	Rev. M.A.		Vicarage, Imber
Williams	Cecil	Lieut.		Brown's Farm, Imber

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Carter	John		Carpenter & Post Office	Imber
Dean	Fredk. Jas.		Farmer	Parsonage Farm, Imber
Dean	Sidney Geo.		Farmer	Seagrams & Court Farms, Imber
Greening	Samuel		Bell Inn	Imber
Hooper	James		Farmer	Brown's Farm, Imber
Meaden	Henry		Boot & Shoe maker	Imber
Nash	Albert		Blacksmith	Imber
Whitmarsh	Edwd.		Farmer	Tinker's Farm, Imber
Wyatt	Frank		Smallholder	Imber