



# Post Office Directory Extract 1859

## Knook



Knook, a township, parish and village, on the banks of the Wiley, in the hundred of Heytesbury, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury, and deanery of Wylde, Warminster Union, South Wilts, is distant 1 mile south-east from Heytesbury, 5 south-east from Warminster, and 119 from London.

The living is a perpetual curacy, annexed to that of Heytesbury, annual value £350, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury; the Rev. John Knight, M.A., is the incumbent. The church is dedicated to St. Margaret.

Knook Castle is an earthwork on the brow of an eminence, about 2 miles northward of Heytesbury; near it is Old Ditch, which commencing at Westbury Leigh, stretches, with few interruptions, across Salisbury Plain to Durnford, on the river Avon. The site of two villages, which were connected by means of Old Ditch, is pointed out on Knook Down; the spot is marked by great cavities and irregularities of ground.

Population, in 1851, 252; area in acres, 1502; and rateable value, £1, 568.

ANSTROW HILL, 2 miles north-east, was a Roman establishment.

Letters through Heytesbury, which is also the nearest money order office.

### Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Everly	John		Shopkeeper & Beer retailer	Knook
Flower	Thomas		Farmer	Knook
Searchfield	William		Carpenter	Knook
Williams	Joseph		Parish Clerk	Knook
Wills	Richard Sidman		Farmer	Knook