

Kellys Directory Extract 1907 Ludgershall



LUDGERSHALL is a parish and village, situated in a hollow, bounded on the south west by an extensive open country and contiguous to the borders of Chute Forest and the Hampshire boundary and Collingbourne woods, with a station on the Midland and South Western Junction railway, 7 miles north west from Andover, 17 miles north east from Salisbury and 73 from London, in the Eastern division of the county, Hundred of Amesbury, Everleigh and Pewsey Petty Sessional Division, Pewsey Union, Andover County Court district, Amesbury rural deanery (Amesbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. This was formerly a market town of considerable importance and a borough by prescription which sent representatives to Parliament at intervals from the time of Edward 1 but was disfranchised by the "Municipal Corporations Act 1835" (5 & 6 Wm. IV c.76). The church of St James is an ancient edifice of flint and stone in the Norman and Early English styles, consisting of chancel, nave, transept, south porch and an embattled western tower, with four pinnacles, containing a clock and 5 bells. The lower tower was built in 1871 in memory of Richard Thomas Everett, by his widow. In a window on the south side of the chancel are the arms of Henry Chicheley, Archbishop of Canterbury 1414-43. Near the south porch is a recess containing a tomb with shields of arms and two recumbent effigies, erected in 1558, to Sir Richard and Lady Brydges, ancestors of the Dukes of Chandos. The chancel was restored in 1873 and the nave re-seated in 1874 under the direction of the late Mr. J. L. Pearson R.A. In 1900 a reredos and memorial windows were erected to the Rev W H Awdry M.A. rector here 1872-99 and the church now affords 300 sittings. The registers date from the year 1609 and are in Latin till the year 1620. The living is a rectory, net income £260, with residence in the gift of Charles Awdry, esq., of Shaw, near Melksham, and held since 1906 by the Rev Henry Charles Waller Byrds, B.A. of the Durham University. There is a Baptist Chapel here. In the village stands a curious old market cross about 12 feet in height with carved representations on the four sides of "The Command to St Peter," "The Three Maries," "The Crucifixion" and "The Ascension". In commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria in 1897, an ornamental fence was placed round this cross to protect it from further injury, the work being executed by the village blacksmiths, William and Charles Crouch, from a design by Mr. A. H. Huth, formerly resident at Biddesden House. A fair is held here on July 25, but is almost obsolete. Henry Smith's charity of about £15, Everett's of £19, and Blake's of £1 5s, are distributed yearly. On the summit of Sidbury Hill is a large space of ground in the form of a heart, surrounded by tumuli. There are some remains of a castle, built soon after the Norman Conquest, and in which it is said the Empress Maud took shelter in 1141 during the Civil War with Stephen. Biddesden House, the property of the Everett family, is situated a mile and a half east of the village. It was built by General Webb, about 1713, on the site of a mansion formerly the residence of the Duke of Chandos. The War Office, who purchased the Manor Farm in 1898, and owns the manorial rights, and Charles Edwin Everett Esq., of Bickington, Barnstaple, are the chief landowners. The soil is very light; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips. The area is 1,735 acres; rateable value £4,627. The population in 1901 was 576.

Post, M.O. & T.O., S.B.A. & I. & Telephone Call Office - Arthur Edward Yates, sub-postmaster.

Letters arrive by car from Andover at 6.40 a.m. & by rail at 11.15 a.m. & 3 p.m.; dispatched at 9.55 a.m. & 6.45 p.m. Pillar Box - Bell Street, cleared 8.45 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Elementary (non-provided) School (mixed), erected in 1906 on a site given by C. Awdry Esq at a cost of £1,200, half of which was also given by C. Awdry Esq; will hold 132 children; average attendance 120; John Hepburn Wilson, Master.

Elementary School (infants), built by Messrs. Everett in 1856 and enlarged in 1894 at a cost of £250, for 100 children; average attendance 40; Miss Elizabeth Riggs, Mistress.

Police Sergeant, Frank Witt

Parish Clerk, John Piper

Railway Station, E George James, Stationmaster

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Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Byrde	Henry Charles Waller	Rev., B.A.	Rector	
Graham	Fergus	Major		
Jones	James Evan	LRCP Lond.		Butt Street
Parfitt	William			
Piper	John			
Wigley	William Henry George			
Williamson	Herbert Heldrich			

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
		Chaplin & Co.	Railway Carriers	
		Gillo & Co.	Coal Merchants & Railway	
			Carriers	
		King Bros.	Boot Makers & Saddlers	
		London &		
		County Bank		
		Ltd ., Sub		
		Branch		
		Randall's		
		Cycle Stores		
Barnes	George		Haulier	
Beasant	Herbert		Carman & Contractor	
Beattie	Bessie	Mrs.	Dressmaker	
Bell	Sydney		Builder	
Berry	Percy		Farmer	Crawlboys Farm
Blackmore	George		Tailor	
Broad	George T.		Butcher	
Bryan	George		Athletic Outfitter	Butt Street
Bunney	C. E. P.		Hay, Straw & Corn Dealer	
Burden	Harry Walter		Greengrocer & Fishmonger	
			Secretary of the Crown	
Chandler	F. G.		Mineral Water Works Ltd. &	
			Crown Sanitary Laundry	
Chapman	Frederick		Bee Keeper & Fruit Grower	
Clarke	William		Hairdresser & Tobacconist	
Colledge	E. P.	Mrs.	Coal Merchant &	
			Confectioner	
Collins	Emma Wreater	Mrs.	Publican	Queen's Head Inn
Conway	George Emery		Hotelier & Posting House	Crown Commercial Hotel
Cook	Annie	Miss	Tobacconist	Station Road
Cook	Jane	Miss	Tobacconist & Confectioner	
Cooper	Albert F.		Commercial Traveller	Station Cottage
	Thomas		Grocer	
Cross	Sampson			
Crouch	Charles		Blacksmith	
Crouch	William		Blacksmith	
Flaxman	George A.		Blacksmith	
Grace	C.	& Sons	Builders, Contractors, House	
	Ernest H.	<u> </u>	Decorators	
Henly			Solicitor	
Herbert	Allan		Auctioneer & Estate Agent	

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Hill	William		Boot & Shoe Maker	
Holloway	Thomas George	& Webb Ltd.	Camp Furnishers	
Tiolloway	George	& WEDD Liu.	Manager of the Capital &	
Jacob	Elijah		Counties Bank Ltd., Sub	
			Branch	
James	E. George		Stationmaster	
Jones	James Evan	MRCS Eng., LRCP Lond.	Physician & Surgeon	Butt Street
Jones	William Hugh		Photographer	
Loader	William		Insurance Agent	
Matthews	Joshua		Baker	
McSharry	Hugh		Inland Revenue Officer	
Miles	Henry		Butcher	
Parfitt	William		Resident Agent of the Wilts & Dorset Banking Co. Ltd.	
Pearce	Joseph Samuel		Canteen Manager	Crown Villa
Pinnell		& Son	Cycle & Motor Agents & Repairers	
Piper	John		Parish Clerk	
Piper	William		Farmer, Biddesden Farm	
Riggs	Elizabeth	Miss	Schoolmistress	
Roy	Ernest Edward		Grocer & Draper	
Roynon	George Edward		Commercial Traveller	Aston Villa
Schmidt	Albert		Coffee Tavern	
Semple	Thomas		Outfitter	
Simes	Arthur Oswald		Clerk	Ecclesborne
Simonds	G.		Brewer & Wine & Spirit Merchant	
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Spicer	Mortimer		Wheelwright	
Staden	George W.		Manager of a High Class Family & Commercial Hotel	Prince of Wales Hotel
Stidston	John Cornthwaite		Farmer	Castle Manor Farm
Townsend	James C.		Dairyman	
Ward	Alfred		Plasterer	
Ward	George Edward		Government Contractor	
Weeks	William		Coal Merchant	
White	T.	& Co. Ltd.	Camp Furnishers	
Williamson	Herbert Holdrich	MRCS Eng.	Surgeon/Medical Officer, Pewsey Union	
Wilson	John Hepburn		Schoolmaster & Assistant Overseer	
Witt	Frank		Police Sergeant	Butt Street
Worsfold	William		Watchmaker	
Yates	Arthur Edward		Grocer, Baker & Draper	
Young	G.	& Son	Camp Contractors	

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