



Kellys Directory Extract 1895



Minety

MINETY (or Minty) is a parish with station, 2 miles east of the village, on the Swindon and Cheltenham section of the Great Western railway, 85 miles from London, 8 north-west from Swindon, 8 South from Cirencester and 7 north-east from Malmesbury, in the North-Western division of the county, hundred of Cricklade, Malmesbury petty sessional division, county court district and union, rural deanery of Malmesbury, archdeaconry of Bristol and diocese of Gloucester and Bristol. With the exception of a small portion in Wiltshire, it was formerly in Gloucestershire, but is now, by the Acts 2&3 William IV cap 64 and 7&8 Vict cap 61, entirely in Wiltshire.

The church of St Leonard is an ancient structure of stone, in the Early English style, with traces of Tudor work, consisting of chancel, nave of four bays, north aisle, south porch and embattled north-western tower, with pinnacles, having a peal of 5 bells. The pulpit, reading desk and some of the pews are elaborately carved in oak. The east window is stained. The memorial window south side of chancel is to the late vicar, Rev John Edwards, who died in 1886. The east window in the north aisle is a memorial to the Perry-Keene family. In the chancel are several ancient tablets, the principal being to Charles Pleydell, 1704, Joseph Nott, 1705 and Thomas Browne 1726. In the north aisle is a brass tablet of great antiquity, to the Powlett family. The nave was newly roofed in 1884 at a cost of £400, the tower was restored in 1892 and the bells rehung, a stained west window was added in 1893 by a resident, and the chancel relaid with oak in 1894. There are sittings for 200 persons.

The register dates from the year 1663. The living is a vicarage, net £195, including about 14 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Archdeacon of Wilts and held since 1886 by the Rev Walter William Arthur Butt, M.A., of Magdalen College, Oxford, J.P. The rectorial tithe, amounting to about £240 net yearly value, has been made over by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to the Dean and Chapter of Gloucester.

The charities amount to from £30 to £35 yearly, distributed in money at Christmas to the second poor of the parish.

An interesting fact in connection with this parish is that it was the birthplace of William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania. (OPC Note: This is not corroborated in various other documentations)

Henry Whatley-Estridge esq. resides at Minety House and Major Reginald Gordon Chambres resides at Braydon Hall.

John Mullings esq. is lord of the manor. The principal landowners are Henry Whatley Estridge esq., Henry Workman esq. and Charles Stevens esq.

The soil is clay and flint. The land is chiefly in pasture.

The area is 3,672 acres; rateable value, £8,581; the population in 1891 was 757.

PARISH CLERK John Taylor

POST OFFICE Abraham Hinder, sub-postmaster.

LETTERS Through Malmesbury, arrive at 7.25 am; dispatched at 5.50 pm summer, 4.50 pm winter. Ashton Keynes is the nearest money order office. Postal orders are issued here, but not paid. The telegraph office is at the railway station.

LETTER BOX At station, cleared at 7.45 pm, Sunday 6.0 pm.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS There are two National schools; one, by the church, built in 1860 (mixed), with residence for mistress, for 120 children; average attendance, 42; Miss Emma Burgoyne, mistress. Silver Street (mixed), built in 1875, with residence for mistress, for 100 children; average attendance, 70; Miss Jane Stratford, mistress.

CARRIERS TO CIRENCESTER Richard Read, Henry Fry, William Beames & William Tidmarsh., Mon & Fri.

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RAILWAY STATION John William Phipp, station master.

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Butt	Walter William Arthur	Rev, M.A., J.P.	Vicar	
Chambres	Reginald Gordon	Major		Braydon Hall
Whatley-Estridge	Henry			Minety House
Oliver	William			The Mansells

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baker	Frank		Farmer	
Baker	Thomas		Farmer	
Barrett	James		Farmer	
Barrett	Richard		Farmer	
Beames	William		Coal Dealer & Carrier	
Brain	John		Farmer	
Brown	Abraham Young		Farmer	Skew Bridge
Brown	Thomas		Farmer	
Burdock	John		Farmer	
Butcher	Thomas		Farmer	The Common
Cave	William		Farmer	Flistridge
Chandler	John		Farmer	The Common
Clark	David		Farmer	
Cole	John		Farmer	
Cole	Richard		Coal Merchant	Railway Station
Coole	Hannah	Mrs	Farmer	
Cove	William		Farmer	Moor Farm
Edwards	Arthur		Pork Butcher	
Edwards	Elizabeth	Mrs	Shopkeeper	
Ellison	Dinah	Mrs	Farmer	Home Farm
Ellison	Thomas		Tailor	
Fry	Henry		Carrier & Coal Dealer	
Garland	Abel		Shopkeeper	
Godwin	John			<i>Vale of White Horse Inn</i>
Greenslade	William Benjamin		Farmer	
Gwynn	Edwin Mabbett			<i>Old Red Lion P H</i>
Haskins	William		Farmer	Flowers Farm
Hatton	George		Farmer	
Hawkins	Henry		Farmer	
Hinder	Robert		Blacksmith	
Howse	Lewington		Farmer	
Howse	Mary Jane	Mrs	Farmer	Buckswill
Humphries	Henry		Farmer	
Humphries	Jesse		Farmer	
Hunt	Edward George		Baker, Mealman & Farmer	
Jones	Albert		Stone Mason	
Jones	John		Stone Mason	
Jones	Thomas		Stone Mason	
Lane	Charles		Shopkeeper	
Lewis	Mark		Farmer	
Manners	Mary	Mrs	Farmer	
Manners	Henry		Farmer	
Manners	Herbert		Farmer	
Matthews	James			<i>Old Inn P H</i>
Miles	Havilah William		Wheelwright	
Miles	Maurice Henry		Wheelwright	
Ody	John		Horse Dealer	The Common

Packer	John		Farmer & Assistant Overseer	
Prior	James	(Exors of)	Farmers & Millers (steam)	
Pritchard	Robert J		Shopkeeper	
Read	George		Cattle Dealer	
Read	Richard		Coal Merchant & Carrier	
Read	Thomas		Farmer	
Read	William		Butcher & Farmer	
Rimes	George		Saddler	
Scaplehorn	Thomas		Farmer	<i>New Red Lion P H</i>
Sheppard	Fred		Blacksmith	
Slade	Lewis		Haulier	
Taylor	Ernest Edward		Printer & Patent Medicine Dealer	& at Purton
Telling	David		Carpenter & Shopkeeper	
Telling	Thomas		Farmer	
Thomas	Edward		Farmer	
Tidmarsh	William		Farmer & Carrier	
Timbrell	John		Butcher	
Townsend	William		Farmer	Sandbourn Farm
Vizer	Ann	Mrs	Farmer	
Vizer	Daniel		Farmer	
Westmacott	Henry & Samuel		Farmers	
Westmacott	Robert		Farmer	
Whitting	John		Farmer	