



Kellys Directory Extract 1903

Ramsbury



Ramsbury is a parish and village, formerly a market town, pleasantly situated on the banks of the river Kennet, 5 miles north – west from Hungerford station on the Newbury and Devizes section of the Great Western railway, and 6 north-east from Marlborough, in the Eastern division of the county, hundred of Ramsbury, petty sessional division of Marlborough and Ramsbury, union and county court district of Hungerford, rural deanery of Marlborough (Marlborough portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury. The houses are situated principally in one long street. The church of the Holy Cross is an ancient building of stone in the Norman and Early English styles, consisting of chancel with 'Darell' chapel nave of four bays, with clerestory, aisles, south porch, and an embattled western tower, with pinnacles, containing 6 bells: the monuments include one to Sir William Jones, attorney – general temp Charles II.; in the chancel in front of the communion table is a tomb to William de St John, with an inscription in Norman French, and there is a stone slab to Sir William de St. John, with the date 1322: in the Darell chapel is a tomb of Purbeck marble, assigned to William Darell, sub treasurer of England and sheriff of Wilts, *temp* Richard II.: another tomb is probably that of Sir George Darell, of Littlecote, son of the above: the church was thoroughly restored in 1897-8, and affords 350 sittings. The register dates from 1678. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £394, including 66 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of Baroness Burdett-Coutts, and held since 1892 by the Rev. Weston Brocklesby Davis M.A. of St John's College, Cambridge, and surrogate, Here is a Congregational chapel erected in 1837 with 130 sittings, also Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist chapels, and barracks of the Salvation Army. Cattle fairs are held here on May 14th and October 16th. Ramsbury Manor House, the seat of Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., J.P. stands in a park of 100 acres, through which the river Kennet flows, expanding into a broad sheet; it is bounded on the south – east by extensive fir plantations: the original house was at one time the seat of the Bishops of Salisbury, but was exchanged with one of the Earls of Pembroke; and was taken down some time before 1672, and the present building erected from the designs of Webb, an architect of that period. Littlecote Park is occupied by Leopold Hirsch Esq.; the mansion is a fine specimen of a Tudor manor house, standing in a park, through which the Kennet flows; it was originally built by and was the seat of the Darell family, and contains a fine collection of armour and of weapons. Crowood House, is the residence of Percy Macquoid Esq.; The Cedars, of Alfred Ernest Oakes Esq, and the Rookery, of Francis Cunninghame Batson Esq. The chief landowners are Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., who is the lord of the manor, Francis William Leyborne-Popham Esq. of Hunstrete House, Pensford, Somerset, Charles Seymour and Francis C Batson Esqrs. The soil is clay; subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and roots. The area is 9,742 acres; rateable value, £8,895: and the population of the entire parish in 1901 was 1,799. **Axford**, 3 miles south – west; **Eastridge** 2 miles north – east; **Ramsbury Town**; **Whittonditch**, 1 mile north – east, are tithings. At **Axford** there is a chapel of ease.

Parish Clerk, Joseph Franklin.

Post, M.O. & T.O., T.M.O., S.B., E.D., P.P. & A. & I. O. – Miss Annie Pinniger, sub-postmistress. Letters arrive by mail cart from Hungerford, delivered at 7 a.m; also at 3.15 p.m.; box closes at 10.55 a.m. & 6.45 p.m; letters dispatched at 10.50 a.m. & 6.40 p.m; Telegraph business 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sundays 8 to 10 a.m. only. Money order business 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wall Letter Box at Whittonditch, cleared at 6 p.m. Letters for Axford, through Marlborough. Wall Letter Box at Stone Lane, Axford, cleared at 7 p.m. on week days & 8 a.m on Sundays.

Ramsbury Rural District Council

Meets at the Workhouse, Hungerford, on alternate Wednesdays, at 11 a.m.

Chairman, William Brown, Aldbourne

Officers:-

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Clerk, Henry D'Oyley Wolvey Astley, Bridge vil. Hungerford
 Treasurer, Edward B. Myddelton, Capital & Counties Bank, Hungerford
 Medical Officer of Health, William Thomas Garrett Woodforde M.D., Oakbank, Spencers Wood, Reading
 Highway Surveyor, J.W. Brooke, The Green, Marlborough
 Sanitary Inspector & Surveyor of New Buildings, Joseph Pinniger, Ramsbury

Public Officers :-

Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, 3rd district, Hungerford, James Wilkie Burman M.D.
 Assistant Overseer & Collector of Taxes, Joseph Franklin
 Superintendent Registrar for Hungerford District, William Jas Phelps; deputy superintendent, Wm A. Ayers
 Town Crier, James Payne

Schools :-

The School Board, formed in 1872, has been dissolved by the Education Act of 1902, & the schools are now controlled by a Board of Managers; William James Phelps, Clerk; Edwin Rosier, Attendance Officer. Schools have been built, together with masters' & mistresses' residences, at a cost of about £4,000.

Elementary (boys), Ramsbury, built in 1874, for 150 children; average attendance 74; John Stubbs, master.

Elementary (mixed), Axford, built in 1874, for 75 children; average attendance 53; Thomas Jenkins, master

Elementary (infants), built in 1874, for 120 children; average attendance 74; Miss Millicent Nicklin, mistress.

Elementary (girls), built in 1865, for 120 children: average attendance 90; Miss Annie Edwards, mistress.

Carriers :-

Day, to Swindon, mon.

Denton, to & from Newbury, Thurs; to Marlborough, Sat.

Chamberlain, to Hungerford railway station, daily.

Talmage, to Marlborough, Tues, Thurs & Sat.

Rosier, to Newbury, Thurs; to Marlborough; Sat.

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Occupation	Place/Parish
Anthony	Frederic			
Anthony	Thomas	Rev		Congregational Chapel
Ashley		Misses		
Ayers	William Alfred			Westfield Villa
Batson	Francis Cunninghame			The Rookery
Breiger		Mrs		
Burdett	Francis	Sir, J.P.		Ramsbury Manor
Burman	James Wilkie	M.D.		
Davis	Weston Brocklesby	Rev. M.A.	Vicar & Surrogate	Vicarage
De Le Sprye		Rev		Membury
Du Cane	A			Mill House
Edwards		Mrs		
Farr	Arthur			Harbrook
Giles		Mrs		
Harrison		Mrs		
Hirsch	Leopold			Littlecote Park
Macdonald		Miss		Deep Dene
Macquoid	Percy Thomas	R.I., J.P.		Crowood
Meyrick		Mrs		Bodogran House
Meyrick	Maurice	Mrs		The Limes
Nicholls		Miss		Preston
Oakes	Alfred Ernest			The Cedars
Phelps	William James			
Piper		Mrs		
Till	Stanley	Rev. B.A.	Curate	
Waldron		Mrs		Hilldrop

Waldron		Mrs		Marriage Hill
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Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Trade/Occupation	Place/Parish
Alexander	Edward		Tailor	
Alexander	Elisha		Woodman	
Allen	James Charles		Grocer	High Street
Angell	John		Pork Butcher	
Anthony	Frederic	M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. Lon.	Physician & Surgeon,	
Atherton	Herbert		Farmer	Whittonditch
Atherton	Thomas George		Farmer & Steward to Sir Francis Burdett Bart.	Manor Farm
Ayers	William Alfred		Accountant, Deputy Superintendent Registrar, Secretary to the Ramsbury Building Society, House & Insurance Agent	
Bastin	Frederick		Carpenter, Builder, Wheelwright & Undertaker	
Bull	Samuel		Chimney Sweep	
Burman	James Wilkie	M.D., L.R.C.S. Edin.	D.P.H. Surgeon & Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, 3 rd District, Hungerford Union.	
Butler	Thomas		Plumber	
Chamberlain	Harry R		Farmer	Ambrose Farm
Chamberlain	Richard		Carrier	
Cook	Thomas		Hotelier	Bell Hotel
Cruse	Richard		Police Sergeant	
Daniel	Edith Hilda	Miss	Queen's Nurse	Oxford Terrace
Day	Charles		Carrier	
Denton	William		Carrier	
Drew	William		Farm Bailiff to T.W. Waldron Esq	Whittonditch
Eatwell	Thomas		Carpenter	
Fox	William		Fishmonger	
Franklin	Charles		Carpenter, Builder & Undertaker	
Franklin	Joseph		Farmer & Assistant Overseer, & Collector of Taxes	
Franklin	Joseph		Butcher	
Hacker	Joseph		Carpenter	
Harris	James		Farmer	Witcha
Harrison	Jun		Linen Draper & Outfitter	
Hedges	Joseph		Publican	Burdett Arms P.H.
Hellard	Walter & Henry		Farmers	Membury Farm
Hewer	Thomas		(exors of) Farmers	Knighton
Hill (Brothers)			Grocers	
Hobbs	Thomas		Shoe Maker & Leather Cutter	
Hobbs	Thomas Edwin		Insurance Agent	
Hurst	George		General Dealer	
Jones	Charles G		Boot & Shoe Maker	
Jones	Jabez		Provisions Dealer	
Jones	Major William	Mrs	Grocer & Baker	
Kimber	Francis		Shopkeeper	

Lawrence	Joseph		Builder	
Lock	William		Innkeeper	Halfway Inn
Maisey	Robert		Watercress Grower & Basket Maker	
Marsh	William		Hotelier	Windsor Castle Hotel
Martin	John		Bricklayer	
Matthews	Lucius William		Draper	
Moon	Jane	Miss	Baker & Grocer	
Moon	Robert		Miller (Water)	
Oakes	Charles		Blacksmith	Whittonditch
Orchard	Frederick		Wood Dealer	Brick Hill
Osmond	Stephen Thomas		Engineer, Brass & Iron Founder, & Agricultural Implement Manufacturer	Newtown
Payne	James		Town Crier & Bailiff for the Hundered	
Phelps	William James		Solicitor & Superintendent Registrar for Hungerford District & Clerk to the School Managers	
Pike	Charles		Gamekeeper to P Macquoid Esq	
Pike	Thomas		Shopkeeper	
Pike	William		Farmer & Shopkeeper	Whittonditch
Pinniger	Annie		Stationer	Post Office
Pinniger	Joseph		Sanitary Inspector to Ramsbury Rural District Council	
Piper	James John		Plumber, Glazier, Painter & Paperhanger	High Street
Pope	Edwin William		Blacksmith	
Pullen	Thomas		Furniture Dealer	
Pye	Walter George		Innkeeper	Bleeding Horse Inn
Rosier	John		Grocer	
Rumball	Ernest		Butcher	
Seymour	Thirza	Miss	Stationer	
Sheppard	Edwin		Baker	
Smith	Alfred		Publican	Crown & Anchor P.H.
Smith	Charlotte	Mrs	Shopkeeper	
Smith	John		Tailor	
Talmage	Jesse		Shopkeeper	
Talmage	Tobias		General Dealer	
Tucker	William	Mrs	Publican	Malt Shovel P.H.
Vokins	William		Baker	
Waldren	Frances	Mrs	Farmer	Hilldrop
Waldren	James	Mrs	Farmer & Land Owner	Marriage Hill
Ward	William Wilkins		Baker	
Watts	William		Blacksmith	
Willmot	Samuel		Oil Dealer	
Willshire	William		Wheelwright	
Wilson	George		Farmer	Burney Farm
Wilson	Henry		Farmer	
Wilson	James	Mrs	Farmer	Park Farm
Woolford	John		Wood Dealer	
Woolford	Thomas		Beer Retailer	
Wren	George		Saddler & Ironmonger	

Axford

Berryman	William		Farmer	
Cannings	Thomas		Baker & Grocer	
Pope	Edward William		Blacksmith	
Spackman	Ernest Clare		Farmer	
Sturt	Henry J		Publican	Red Lion P.H.
Wilson	Henry		Farmer	