



Slater's Directory Extract 1852-1853



Ramsbury, Aldbourn and Neighbourhoods

Ramsbury is a large village in the parish and hundred of its name, 70 miles W. from London, 7 E. by N. from Marlborough, 5 ½ N. W. by W from Hungerford (Berks), and about 13 S.E. from Swindon, a station on the Great Western Railway; pleasantly situated near the Kennett, upon which river there are some corn mills. It was at one time noted for its beer, but now there is no particular trade or manufacturer. Sir Robert Burdett, Bart., who has an estate and mansion here is lord of the manor, and holds a court leet annually, and the magistrates sit in petty sessions, at the justice room, every alternate Monday. Ramsbury is included in the Hungerford district by the County Court Act, for the recovery of debts not exceeding £50.

The church, dedicated to the Holy Cross, is a large ancient edifice, with a massive tower, supported by strong buttresses, and is considered the mother Church to Salisbury Cathedral. The living is a vicarage, in the gift of the Crown. There are places of worship for Independents and Wesleyan and Primitive Methodists. Two fairs are held – one on the 14th of May, for cattle, the other, a statute, on the 11th of October. The parish contained in 1831, 2,290 inhabitants, and in 1841 2,535.

About three miles N. N. W. from Ramsbury, in the hundred of Selkley, is **Aldbourn** village, seated in a fertile valley. This was once a market town of some extent and consequence; but a fire, which happened in 1760, consumed upwards of seventy houses, and property to the amount of £20,000. Seasonable relief was afforded to the sufferers by a national subscription, but the market was never afterwards good, and is now unattended; and the manufacture of fustians, then carried on rather extensively, has completely left the place. The church of St Michael, is an ancient structure: the living is a vicarage in the patronage of the Bishop of Salisbury. The parish contained, in 1831, 1,418 inhabitants, and in 1841, 1,556.

Post Office, Ramsbury, Henry Iles, Post Master. – Letters from London and all parts arrive (from Hungerford) every morning (Sunday excepted) at a half past six, and are dispatched thereto at forty minutes past six in the evening.

Places of Worship:-

Holy Cross Church, Ramsbury, Rev. John Hawkins, incumbent
 St Michael's Church, Aldbourn, Rev. John Seagrim, incumbent
 Independent Chapel, Rev. John A Harrison, minister
 Wesleyan Chapel Methodist Chapel, ministers various
 Primitive Methodist Chapel, ministers various

Conveyance by Railway

The nearest station is at Hungerford on the Hungerford branch of the Great Western line, 5 miles distant; Hungerford is also the nearest station to Aldbourn.

Carriers:-

To Marlborough, Thomas Pounds and George Bushell, from their houses, Ramsbury, every Wednesday and Saturday.

To Newbury, Thomas Pounds and George Bushell, from their houses, Ramsbury, every Tuesday and Thursday.

To Swindon, Thomas Pounds from his house, Ramsbury, every alternate Monday.

Gentry and Clergy

Surname	Given Names	Title	Occupation	Place/Parish
Ashley	Sarah	Mrs		Ramsbury
Atherton	William	Mr		Ramsbury

Ball	Henry	Mr		Ramsbury
Batson	Alfred	Esq		Ramsbury
Brown	Mary	Miss		Aldbourn
Davis	Richard	Mr	M.D.	Ramsbury
Fowle	Henry	Rev		Aldbourn
Hankey	Benjamin	Mr		Ramsbury
Harrison	John Audrey	Rev		Ramsbury
Hawkins	John C.C.B.P.H.	Rev		Ramsbury
Labouchere	Henry	Right Hon M.P.		Chilton Lodge
Merrick	Arthur	Rev		Ramsbury
Mindenhall	Mary	Mrs		Ramsbury
Neate	Stephen	Mr		Aldbourn
Odam	William	Mr		Ramsbury
Popham	Francis	Esq		Littlecote House
Popham	John	Rev		Chilton
Reed	Louisa	Miss		Ramsbury
Rowland	William	Mr	Attorney	Ramsbury
Rumble	Charles	Mr		Elder Farm
Seagrim	John	Rev		Aldbourn
Seymour	Henry	Captain R.N.		Crow Wood
Smith	Arthur	Mr		Ramsbury
Smith	Mary	Mrs		Ramsbury
Smith	Thomas	Esq		Manor House
Twine	Joseph	Esq		Ramsbury
Witts	George	Mr		Aldbourn

Academies and Schools

Surname	Given Names	Title	Name of School	Place/Parish
Adams	Thomas Lawes			Ramsbury
Horn	William	Master	Church School	Ramsbury
Sturch	Ellen	Mistress	Church School	Ramsbury
Jones	Mary	Teacher	Ebenezer School	Ramsbury
King	Thomas			Ramsbury
Lovelock	Martha			Ramsbury

Bakers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Biggs	John	Ramsbury
Hazell	Jane	Ramsbury
Moon	John	Ramsbury
Palmer	Martin	Aldbourn
Smith	Smith	Aldbourn
Smith	Smith	Ramsbury
Ward	Francis	Ramsbury

Blacksmiths and Whitesmiths

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Andrews	James	Ramsbury

Beckingham	Thomas	Ramsbury
Copland	James	Ramsbury
Marsh	George	Ramsbury
Seymour	William	Ramsbury
Smith	Joseph	Aldbourn
White	John	Aldbourn

Boot and Shoe Makers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Chamberlain	Samuel	Ramsbury
Chamberlain	Eli	Ramsbury
Goddard	Thomas	Ramsbury
Jones	James	Ramsbury
King	James	Ramsbury
Langfield	James	Ramsbury
Laws	William	Ramsbury
Maslin	Jonathan	Ramsbury
Ricketts	Herbert	Ramsbury
Spanswick	George	Ramsbury
Talmage	James	Ramsbury
Talmage	William	Ramsbury

Bricklayers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Cox	John	Ramsbury
Harris	George	Ramsbury
Harris	James	Ramsbury
Martin	Charles	Ramsbury
Panting	John	Ramsbury

Butchers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Humphries	John	Ramsbury
Martin	Henry	Ramsbury
Wilson	George	Ramsbury

Carpenters and Wheelwrights

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Alexander	Ambrose		Ramsbury
Langfield	James		Ramsbury
Lansdowne	John		Ramsbury
Luke	James	Appraiser	Ramsbury

Seymour	William		Ramsbury
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Fire & Office Agents

Surname	Given Names	Company Name	Place/Parish
Jones	Samuel	'Farmers' and General'	Ramsbury
Edwards	William	'Norwich Union'	Ramsbury
Rowland	William	'Sun'	Ramsbury

Grocers and Dealers in Sundries

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Adams	Thomas		Ramsbury
Beckingham	Thomas		Ramsbury
Biggs	John		Ramsbury
Chamberlain	Samuel		Ramsbury
Hacker	James		Ramsbury
Harris	James		Ramsbury
Hill	Richard	Spirit Merchant	Ramsbury
Hopkins	Thomas		Ramsbury
Jones	Samuel		Ramsbury
Large	John	Draper and Stamp Distributer	Ramsbury
Maslin	Joseph	China Dealer	Ramsbury
Palmer	Jane		Aldbourn
Smith	Henry		Ramsbury
Smith	John		Aldbourn
Smith	Joseph		Ramsbury
Talmage	James		Ramsbury
Talmage	William		Ramsbury
Taylor	Stephen		Aldbourn
Watts	John	Draper	Aldbourn

Inns and Public Houses

Surname	Given Names	Name of Inn or Public House	Place/Parish
Piper	Thomas Henry	'The Bell'	Ramsbury
Sheppard	Ambrose	'The Bell'	Aldbourn
Butler	Sylvester	'The Bleeding Horse'	Ramsbury
Arter	James	'The Blue Boar'	Aldbourn
Watts	Joseph	'The Burdett Arms'	Ramsbury
Luke	Wallace	'The Castle'	Ramsbury
Gray	Charles	'The Crown'	Aldbourn
Butlin	Hannah	'The Crown and Anchor'	Ramsbury
Day	Thomas	'The Malt Shovel'	Ramsbury
Waldron	John	'The Queen'	Aldbourn

Retailers of Beer

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Denton	John	Ramsbury
Hopkins	Matthias	Ramsbury
Shuttle	Joseph	Ramsbury
Taylor	Sophia	Ramsbury

Maltsters

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Atherton	George	Brewer	Ramsbury
Hazell	Jane		Ramsbury
May	Thomas		Aldbourn
Osmond	Harriet		Ramsbury
Reed	Nehemiah		Ramsbury
Smith	Charles		Aldbourn

Millers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Edwards	William	Ramsbury
Longford	James	Ramsbury
New	Charles	Aldbourn
Rowland	John	Ramsbury

Milliners & Dressmakers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Langfield	James	Ramsbury
Maslin	Jane	Ramsbury
Tannage	Elizabeth	Ramsbury

Painters and Glaziers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Davis	William James	Ramsbury
Halliday	William	Ramsbury
Luker	James	Ramsbury
Miller	William	Ramsbury

Straw Bonnet Makers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Chamberlain	Mary	Ramsbury

Couzens	Eliza	Ramsbury
Langfield	Hannah	Ramsbury
Maslin	Mary	Ramsbury

Tailors

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Smith	Henry	Draper	Ramsbury
Taylor	Stephen		Aldbourn
Twycross	James	China Dealer	Ramsbury
Twycross	Richard		Ramsbury
Wilson	Mary	Draper	Ramsbury

Tanners and Curriers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Ashley	John	Ramsbury
Goddard	Thomas	Ramsbury
Langfield	Thomas	Ramsbury

Willow Weavers

For Hats and Bonnets

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Goddard	Thomas	Ramsbury
Palmer	Stephen	Aldbourn
Pizzie	William	Aldbourn
Smith	James	Aldbourn

Miscellaneous

Surname	Given Names	Trade/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bridgman	James	Bell Founder	Aldbourn
Bushell	George	Watch Maker	Ramsbury
Pitney	Samuel	Police Sergeant	County Police Station
Couzens	John	Millwright	Ramsbury
Davis	Richard	M.D.	Ramsbury
Day	Charles	Saddler	Ramsbury
Fry	John	Hairdresser	Ramsbury
Iles	Henry	Licensed to let Post Horses	Ramsbury
Lawrence	Jonathan	Basket & Sieve Maker	Ramsbury
Maslin	Jane	Dress Maker	Ramsbury
Maslin	John	Gardener	Ramsbury
Rowland	William	Attorney and Clerk to Magistrates	Ramsbury
Sellwood	Thomas	Fellmonger	Ramsbury