



Edwin Andrew, Police Constable 1905 and Police Sergeant 1929

## **Edwin Mullins Andrews - Police Officer**

Edwin Andrews was a policeman in the City of Salisbury Police.

He was born in Maddington, a small village near Amesbury on 4th January 1878, the son of John and Harriet Andrews. He appears in the Shrewton Church of England School Registers as being a pupil in 1881. In 1891 he was living with his parents at Church Farm, High Street, Alvediston where his father was farm bailiff and Edwin is listed as a cowboy. He joined the police circa 1900 and in 1901 was boarding with another police officer at St. Marks Road, Milford, Salisbury. He married Ellen Kingsbury in Wimborne Dorset in 1904 and was living with his new wife in Campbell Road, Salisbury in 1911.

Soon after 1911 he was promoted to Sergeant and among his duties was added that of protection officer to his Chief Constable and his family. The three children of Chief Constable Richardson had great affection for him and they kept in contact with him and his wife all their lives.

Sergeant Andrews stayed with the Salisbury Police Force and retired in the 1930's and by 1935 had taken over a Sweet & Tobacconists shop in London Road, Salisbury, in a parade of shops just south of St. Marks Church. (Before the new inner ring roads were built all this road was known as 'London Road' down to and past The Greencroft.)

By this time he had a shock of white hair and sported a very large and distinctive moustache. He sold the business around the end of the 1940's and retired to a house in Somerset Road, Salisbury, with his wife who unfortunately by then had become an invalid. Ellen Andrews died in 1959 in Salisbury aged 76. Edwin Andrews died in the September Quarter of 1969, his death being registered in the New Forest Registration District.