



Kelly's Directory Extract 1915

Tollard Royal



TOLLARD ROYAL is a parish and village on the Dorsetshire border, and close to the bounds of Cranborne Chase, 10 miles south-east from Semley station and on the Salisbury and Yeovil branch of the London and South Western railway, 19 south-west from Salisbury, 6½ south-east from Shaftesbury and 8 from Blandford, via Tarrant Gunville, in the Southern division of the county, Chalke hundred, Tisbury and Mere petty sessional division, Tisbury union, Shaftesbury county court district, rural deanery of Chalke (Tisbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. The parish is divided into four farms; Higher Farm, Lower Farm, Corner Farm and Thorn Farm; the parish is called Royal in consequence of John, earl of Gloucester, afterwards King John, having held a knight's fee here; this monarch also held the chase of Cranborne and used occasionally to reside here, and his name is still attached to a house in the neighbourhood. Tollard Royal church and the whole of the parish are in this county, but the rector has tithes of a district of 1,260 acres of land in the neighbouring county of Dorset, called Tollard Farnham, and the cure of souls extends to the inhabitants of Tollard Farnham as well as Tollard Royal. The church of St Peter ad Vincula, or St Peter in Chains, is an edifice of stone in the Gothic style, consisting of chancel, nave of three bays, north aisle, south porch and an embattled western tower, with pinnacles, containing 5 bells: in the chancel is a memorial window to Lord and Lady Rivers, who died in April 1866, within forty-eight hours of each other, and to their daughter, Alice Charlotte, wife of Col William Arbuthnot CB who was killed by lightning on the Barnese Alps, June 21st 1865; in the wall is a wooden cross, originally raised by the inhabitants of the Alpine village near which the sad event happened, and subsequently removed here; a brass tablet records the circumstances: there is also in the nave a recumbent monument to Sir William Payne kt. ob. 1388, and a marble tomb to the late Lieut-Gen Henry Lane Fox-Pitt-Rivers FRS FSA DCL of Rushmore: the church was repaired in 1882, and affords 150 sittings. The register dates from the year 1777. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £330, with 35 acres of glebe, in the gift of RA Waterfall BA and held since 1898 by the Rev Rowland John Palmer MA of New Inn Hall, Oxford. Here is a Primitive Methodist chapel, built in 1879. The principal landowners are Mrs Charlesworth and AEL Fox-Pitt-Rivers esq. who is lord of the manor. The soil is light and flinty; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area of the civil parish is 1,854 acres of corn and down land; rateable value £1,075; the population of the civil parish in 1911 was 185, and of the ecclesiastical parish 373, which includes part of Tollard Farnham, Dorset.

Parish Clerk: Henry Beuch

Post, T & Telephonic ED Office: Mrs Elizabeth Coombs, sub-postmistress. Letters arrive from Salisbury at 6.30am & 2.15pm; dispatched at 11.15am & 6.05pm week days; Sundays dispatched at 3.05pm. Handley is nearest money order office

Elementary School (mixed): with residence for mistress, built in 1852, for 80 children; average attendance, 42; & non-provided under the County Council; Mrs Penny, mistress

TOYD FARM and ALLERFORD. Formerly extra parochial, form a parish, which has been transferred from Wilts to Hants by the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (no. 12) Act, 1895.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Hopkinson	Charles Henry Bartley	Major		King John's House
Palmer	Rowland John	Reverend MA	Rector	Rectory

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arnold	Reginald Walter		Farmer	Corner Farm
Coombs	John		Farmer	
Fishlock	George			King John's Hotel
Hart	James		Baker	
Kimber	George		Grocer	
Oxford	Edwin		Farmer	Church Farm
Oxford	Frank		Farmer	Tollard Farm
Target	Charles		Farmer	Benches Farm
Target	Henry		Overseer	