



Kellys Directory Extract 1931

Worton & Marston



Worton & Marston are tithings, forming a small isolated village, on the road from Melksham to Salisbury, 4 miles south-west from Devizes stations and 2½ from Lavington station, on the Great Western railway, in the Devizes division of the county, hundred of Potterne and Cannings, petty sessional division, rural district and county court district of Devizes, rural deanery of Potterne (Potterne portion), archdeaconry of Wilts, and diocese of Salisbury; for civil matters they are separate and independent, but were formed into an ecclesiastical parish in 1852 from the civil parish of Potterne. Christ Church erected in 1841, at a cost of £1,100, is a building of stone, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave, transepts, west porch and a western turret containing one bell: a brass tablet mounted on an oak base was presented by Brig. Gen. E. H. Stevenson C.M.G., D.S.O., J.P. in memory of three men of the parish who fell in the Great War, 1914-1918: there are 240 sittings. The register dates from the year 1841. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £320, with residence, in the gift of the vicar of Potterne, and held since 1928 by the Rev. Stanley Harper, of Durham University. There is a Wesleyan chapel at Worton and a Primitive Methodist chapel at Marston. There are a number of charities, the collective yearly value of which is about £50. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners are lords of the manor. The land is held by a large number of small owners. The soil is various, but principally clay, with a subsoil of clay and sand: two-thirds of the land are pasture, and principally devoted to dairy farming. The area of this parish is:- Worton 971 acres; of Marston, 906 acres; the population of the ecclesiastical parish in 1921 was 390. Viz Worton 282; Marston, 108.

Sexton - R. E. Gale.

Post & Telegraph Office & Telephonic Express Delivery Office (to places within a limited distance), Worton. Letters through Devizes. Potterne nearest money order office.

Wall Letter Box, Marston Common, cleared at 7.15 a.m. & 7.30 p.m.

Elementary School (mixed), built in 1844 & enlarged in 1859, for 95 children; Miss M. Hodgkins L. L. A. head mistress; a house for the head teacher was built in 1896 at a cost of about £250.

Gentry/Private Residents - Worton

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beaven	Ethel	Mrs.		Woodborough House
Fry	Thomas			Worton Mill
Harper	Stanley	Rev.	Vicar	
Hockley		Miss		Westview House
Lethbridge	Campbell	Mrs.		Ivy House
Lovett		Miss		Worton Grange
Rodway		Mrs.		Worton House
Stevensen	Edward Hall	Brig. Gen., C.M.G. D.S.O. J.P.		Worton Littlecourt

Traders - Worton

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
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Bodman	Charles		Motor car proprietor	
Bodman	William Thomas		Publican	Royal Oak P.H.
Burry	Alfred Nelson		Farmer	Watts Farm
Butler	Noah		Farmer	
Cox	John	(Executors of)	Farmer	
Few	James T.		Farmer	
Fielding	Frederick		Farmer	**Great Cheverell, Littleton Panell
Goodall	Henry		Farmer	
Goss	Arthur William		Publican	Rose & Crown P.H.
Haines	Mark		Farmer	
Holloway	George James		Builder	
Holloway	James		Mole Catcher	
Jeffries	Charles	& Son	Farmers	**Croft Farm, Great Cheverell, Littleton Panell
Lewis	George		Smallholder	The Bungalow
		Marshman & Son	Millers (water)	T.N. Devizes 105Y5
Mattick	Frank Sidney		Farmer	** Hurst Farm, Great Cheverell, Littleton Panell
Nutland	William		Farmer	Lutsey Farm
Sansom	Henry Jn.		Shopkpr. & Subpostmaster	T.N. Worton 1

** Postal Address

Traders - Marston

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bridewell	Arthur Jn.		Farmer	Croft Farm
Brooks	Henry John		Publican	Plough P.H.
Burbridge	Edwin J.		Smallholder	
Few	Aaron		Farmer	Barn farm
Harding	Ralph		Farmer	Manor farm
Holloway	Isaac		Smallholder	
Maggs	Oliver P.		Farmer	End Farm
Oram	Henry		Farmer	
Pearce	Rd.		Farmer	
Phillips	Alfred John		Farmer	
Rogers	Herbert W.		Farmer	
Summer	Henry		Smallholder	
Tyler	Jn.		Farmer	Home Farm
Webley	Jn.			Farmer