



Kellys Directory Extract 1915



Ashley

ASHLEY is a small village and parish, on the northern border adjoining Gloucestershire. 1.25 miles from Culkerton station on the Kemble and Tetbury branch, 4 miles south west from Kemble junction station on the Great Western railway, and 6 north from Malmesbury, in the North Western division of the county. Malmesbury hundred, petty sessional division and county court district. Tetbury union, rural deanery of Malmesbury, archdeaconry of North Wilts and diocese of Bristol. The church of St James is a small Norman building of stone, consisting of chancel, nave, south porch and a western tower containing 3 bells, and has some ancient memorials to the Gorges family, and several stained windows: there are 100 sittings. The register dates from the year 1658. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £124, with 20 acres of glebe and residence, in the gift of the Duchy of Lancaster, and held since 1900 by the Rev. John Lemon Redfern MA of Queen's College, Oxford. Here are two almshouses. The Rev. Edmund W Estcourt MA is lord of the manor and sole landowner. The soil is various. The chief crops are wheat, barley and roots. The area is 952 acres; rateable value, £654; the population in 1911 was 72.

Letters through Tetbury arrive at 7.40am and 5.50pm. The nearest money order and telegraph office is Culkerton, 1.25 miles distant.

Pillar Box cleared at 7.40am and 5.50pm week days only.

Elementary School (mixed), built, with residence for mistress, for 40 children; Miss Margaret Doxsey, mistress.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Redfern	John Lemon	Reverend, M.A.		Rectory

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Holborrow	Henry J.		Farmer	Manor Farm
White	Francis Edward		Farmer	North Farm