



## Kelly's Directory Extract 1880



### Baverstock

BAVERSTOCK (with the hamlet of HURDCOTT) is a parish and village in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Cawden, Wilton union, Salisbury county court district, rural deanery of Chalke first portion, and archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury, 8 miles west from Salisbury, 5 west from Wilton, 1 ½ miles north-west from Dinton station on the South Western Railway and about 92 ½ from London, and is bounded on the south by the river Nadder.

The church of St. Edith, which was thoroughly repaired about 1845, is in the Decorated style and consists of chancel, nave, north transept (which is the private property of Alexander Pitts Elliott Powell esq.), south porch, and a low, square, flat-roofed tower at the west end, with 3 bells. The register dates from the year 1559.

The living is a rectory, value £300, with 57 acres of glebe and residence in the gift and held by the the Rev. William Keating M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford.

Charles Penruddocke, Esq. is lord of the manor of Baverstock; Alexander Pitts Elliott Powell esq. Lord of that of Hurdcott; they are also the principal landowners. The soil is clay, green sand and chalk; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley and turnips.

Acreage, including Hurdcott, 1,193; rateable value, £1,939; the population in 1871 was 129.

HURCOT (or Hurdcott) is 1 mile south-east, where is Hurdcott House (or Hurdecote, meaning strong place near the side of the river), the seat of Alexander Pitts Elliott Powell esq. ; it is a large Elizabethan mansion, built about the year 1631; it is said to have originally belonged to the Abbey of Wilton, and in 1708 was transferred to the Pitts family, who retained it until it descended to the present owner; from the terrace is an extensive view of the river Nadder, which flows through the large and well-wooded park.

Parish Clerk – George Watts

Letters through Salisbury. The nearest money order office is at Dinton.

The children attend the school at Dinton.

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Keating	William	Rev. M.A.	Rector	
Powell	Alexander Pitts Elliott	D.L., J.P.		Hurdcott House
Drew	Martin		Farmer	Hurdcott Farm
Futcher	Aaron		Farmer	