



Kellys Directory Extract 1915



Dauntsey

DAUNTSEY is a village and parish on the Lower Avon, 5 miles south-east from Malmesbury and 90 from London, in the North Western division of the county, Malmesbury hundred, union, petty sessional division and county court district, and in Malmesbury rural deanery, North Wilts archdeaconry, and Bristol diocese. Here is the junction station of the Malmesbury branch with the Great Western railway, which is 2.5 miles from the church: the branch of the same railway from Wootton Bassett to the Severn Tunnel, intersects the Malmesbury branch about the same distance north-west of the village. The church of St James is an ancient fabric, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave of 4 bays, aisles, north and south porches, and an embattled western tower, with pinnacles, containing a clock and 5 bells: there are some ancient brasses, and several interesting monuments, including one of black marble to Charles Henry, 5th and last Earl of Peterborough, who died 16th June, 1814: in the north aisle, is a white marble table tomb to Henry Danvers KG, Earl of Danby, who died at Cornbury Park, Oxon 20th January, 1644, and two modern brasses, to the Rev W F Elwell MA, a former rector, and Col H P Law: there are sittings for 300 persons. The register dates from the year 1653. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £315, with 42 acres of glebe and residence, in the gift of, and held since 1875, by the Rev Arthur Law MA, of St Peter's College, Cambridge. There is a Particular Baptist chapel here. Lady Bissett's charity consists of £20 6s 8d in Consols, the dividend arising from which is distributed in coal. Dauntsey House adjoins the church, and is the property and residence of Col Edmund Robert Stewart Richardson, who is the principal landowner. The soil is various, sub-soil, clay. The parish consists chiefly of pasture lands. The area is 3237 acres of land and 21 of water, rateable value, £6230; population in 1911, 364.

By Local Government Board Order 16510 dated March 24th 1884, Bryants Farm was transferred from Dauntsey to Brinkworth.

Sexton: Francis Lewis

Post Office: (not stated) sub-postmistress. Letters through Chippenham arrive at 7.5am & 5.25pm, dispatched at 10.5am and 7.10pm, no Sunday delivery. Great Somerford, 2.25 miles distant is the nearest money order and telegraph office.

Wall Letter Box: near station, cleared 9.50am & 7.15pm: no collection on Sundays.

Elementary School (mixed) with residence for master, built in 1860 for 108 children; almshouses for 6 persons are attached to the school; Walter Burgin Stanton, master.

Railway Station: Herbert Sidney Hill, stationmaster

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Freegard	William			
Law	Arthur	Reverend	Rector	Rectory
Richardson	Edmund Robert Stewart	Colonel		Dauntsey House

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Aland	Alan James		Farmer	St Johns Farm
Alexander	George		Farmer	Whitlands
Barnes	James		Coal Dealer	
Bayliffe	Charles M		Farmer	Little Smithcott
Burgess	Henry		Coal Dealer	
Burgess	James Charles		Oil Merchant	
Corp	Raymond		Farmer	Lit Middle Green
Gough	William Thomas		Farmer	Gt Dairy Farm
Harding	Richard		Farmer	Good Monday's Farm
Hawkins	Frederick		Farmer	Crew's Farm
Hiskins	Ernest		Farmer	White Hill
Hitchcock	Kate	Miss	Shopkeeper	
Hitchcock	William		Farmer & Publican	Peterborough Arms PH
Iles	Edith	Miss	Farmers	Evergreen farm
Iles	Ellen	Miss	Farmers	Evergreen farm
Iles	Marion	Misses	Farmers	Evergreen farm
Iles	Frederick		Coal Dealer	
Lewis	William Shipton		Farmer	Union Farm
Matthews	William James		Farmer	Gt Middle Green Farm
Nicholls	Arthur Edmund		Farmer	Ferrises Farm
Ody	Raymond		Farm Bailiff to W D Gorton esq	Little Idover
Porter	Edwin Charles		Builder, Carpenter & Decorator	Swallett Gate
Potter	Ernest		Farmer	Great Idover
Pose	Walter James		Farmer	Park Farm
Skull	Francis		Head Gardener to Col Richardson	
Stanton	Walter Burgin		Organist & Clerk to Parish Council	