



Kellys Directory Extract 1911



Figheledean

Figheledean is a parish and village on the river Avon, and on the road from Amesbury to Pewsey, 4 miles north from Amesbury station, on the London and South Western railway, and 12 north from Salisbury, in the Southern division of the county, hundred and union of Amesbury, petty sessional division of Everleigh and Pewsey, Salisbury county court district, rural deanery of Amesbury (Amesbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum, and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St Michael is an ancient building of flint and stone in the Norman and Early English styles, consisting of chancel, clerestoried nave of four bays, aisles, south porch, and a western tower containing a clock and 3 bells: the east and four other windows are stained: in the chancel are several monuments to the Poore family, and in the church lie two ancient effigies in armour, discovered in a field near the adjoining village of Milston: the chancel retains an ancient piscena and credence: a part of the staircase to the rood loft remains in the north aisle: the church was restored in 1861, and afford sittings for 228 persons. The register dates from the year 1660. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £201 including 2¾ acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury, and held since 1895 by the Rev. John Henry Calley MA of Emanuel College, Cambridge, and rural dean of Amesbury portion. Here is a Primitive Methodist chapel, built in 1882. A reading room, the gift of George Knowles esq. was erected in 1891 for the use of the parish: it has a small library and a supply of indoor games. HM War Office now owns the land, including the manor, as part of the military manoeuvring ground, acquired in 1898. The soil is light and chalky; subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips and some pasture land. The area is 5,265 acres of land and 17 of water; rateable value £2,084; in 1901 the population was 439.

Ablington hamlet is half a mile south-east; Alton is a quarter of a mile south, on the west side of the River Avon.

Parish clerk, Albert Dobson

Post & MO Office – Enos Sheppard, sub-postmaster. Letters through Salisbury arrive at 6.10am and 1.55pm; dispatched at 9.45 am and 6.15 pm; Sundays, arrive at 6.10am; despatched at 3.45pm. Netheravon, 1 mile distant, is the nearest telegraph office

Wall letter box, Ablington, cleared at 9.55am and 6pm; Sundays at 3.25pm

Elementary school (mixed) with residence for Master, the gift of two parishioners, erected in 1858, for 124 children; average attendance, 104; Frank M Riches, master.

Carriers:

Burnard T Sheppard, to Salisbury, on Tues., Thurs. and Sat.; Mrs Emma Sawyer, to Salisbury, Tues., Thurs, and Sat.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
De Pree	Hugo	Major		Syrencott House
Dobson	Montague	Capt		Alton Parva
Galley	John Henry	Rev	Vicar and rural dean	Vicarage
Hopkins	Norman Jn	Major		Ablington Farm House
Vaughan	John	Lieut-Col, DSO	Commandant, Cavalry School	Ablington House
Wright	Henry	Col		Figheledean House

Wynter	Hugh Talbot	Major		Knighton House
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Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Calley	J. H.	Rev.	Reading Room Secretary	
Pearce	Frederick		Farmers	Choulston Farm
Pearce	Herbert		Farmers	Choulston Farm
Pickard	Ann	Mrs	Grocer	Figheldean
Rawlins	Frank		Farmer	Alton Magna
Sawyer	Emma	Mrs	PH and Carrier	Wheatsheaf
Sheppard	Burnard Tuffley		RSS Carrier & shoeing & general smith; maker of Buckland hoes	Figheldean
Sheppard	Louis		Dairyman	Ablington