



Kellys Directory Extract 1915

Orcheston St Mary



ORCHESTON ST MARY is a parish and village 8 miles north of Wishford station on the Salisbury branch of the Great Western railway, 7 miles north-west from Amesbury, and 14 north-west from Salisbury, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Branch and Dole, petty sessional division of Salisbury and Amesbury, Amesbury union, rural deanery of Wylve (Wylve first portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. The Winterborne flows through the parish. The church of St Mary is an ancient structure in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave of two bays, north aisle, south porch, and a western tower containing a clock and 3 bells: the chancel was entirely rebuilt in 1883: there are memorial windows to Mrs Mills of Elston House, W L Mills esq. James Gay esq. J A Mills esq, and Mrs Anna Gay: the church has been reseated and affords 100 sittings. The register dates from the year 1688. The living is a rectory, net income £241, with residence in the gift of Clare College, Cambridge, and held since 1913 by the Rev. Edward James Penistan MA of that college: the trustees of the late Mr Frederick Mills are lords of the manor. H M War Office is the principal landowner. The soil is light and flinty, subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats, turnips, mangolds, rape for spring food for lambs, and various grasses, which are produced here in the same way as at Orcheston St George. The area is 1895 acres; rateable value £634: the population in 1911 was 131.

Parish Clerk: George Oram.

Post Office: Charles John Dewey, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive from Shrewton, Wilts at 7.5am & 3.10pm; dispatched at 5.45am & 4.55 (West of England) & 5.55pm. Shrewton, 1.5 miles distant is the nearest money order and telegraph office.

Elementary School (mixed) built in 1854, enlarged in 1894 for 60 children: Miss Ida Chown, mistress.

Carrier: Mrs Martha Hall, to Salisbury, Tues, Thurs & Sat, and Devizes, Thurs.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Lory	Arthur G Bateman			Ivydene
Penistan	Edward James	Reverend MA	Rector	Rectory

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Dewey	Charles John		Grocer & Post Office	
Lawrence	Henry		Farm Bailiff to exors of F Mills Esq	
Lory	Arthur G Bateman	LMSSA Lond	Physician & Surgeon	Ivydene