



Kellys Directory of Wiltshire, 1867



Stratton St Margaret

Stratton St Margaret is a parish and a village, it was originally divided into three tithing's called The Street, (now Lower Stratton), the Green and Upper and includes the hamlet of Upper Stratton with Kingsdown,; it is in the Northern division of the county, hundred of Highworth, Highworth & Swindon union, and Swindon county court district, Cricklade parliamentary borough, diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, archdeaconry of Bristol, and rural deanery of Cricklade, 2½ miles north from Swindon station, 79½ miles from London and 3½ south from Highworth: The Great Western Railway and Wiltshire & Berkshire canal skirt the parish on the south. The church of St.Margaret is an ancient stone structure, in the Early English style of architecture, is supposed to have been erected in the reign of Edward I.: it is in good order and has a modern square tower with 4 bells: The register dates from 1754. The living is a vicarage, value £300 per annum, with residence, the Bishop of Gloucester & Bristol nominates, and Merton College, Oxford, presents to the living; the present incumbent is the Rev. Humphrey Pountney Chesshire, A.M. of the St. Peter's College, Cambridge: the rectorial tithe and glebe lands are in the possession of Merton College There is a National school, supported by weekly payments of the children, aided, where necessary, by voluntary contributions of the inhabitants; also a school at Upper Stratton in connection with the Baptist chapel. Here are also for chapel for dissenters, viz. – Particular Baptist, General Baptist, Independent & Primitive Methodist, with Sunday schools attached. The charities are very inconsiderable arising out of a churchhouse and land bequeathed for repairs to the church &c; there is an endowment of £24 a year to the Baptist chapel at Lower Stratton. The only mansion in neighbourhood is Kingsdown House, a new stone building in the Elizabethan style, the property and residence of David Archer Esq. J.P. The old Roman road runs direct through this village and the Great Western Railway and Wiltshire and Berkshire Canal skirt the parish on the south. David Archer, Esq., is lord of the manor. The principal landowners are Merton College, Oxford, David Archer Esq. and Thomas Day Esq. The soil is principally stone brash: subsoil of a loamy mixture. The chief crops are wheat, beans and barley. The land is principally in pasture. The area is 2,620 acres; and the population in 1861 1,642.

KINGSDOWN is 1½ miles north; PENHILL 2 miles north-west

Parish Clerk, Ambrose Barnes.

Post Office – Richard fisher, receiver. Letters received through Swindon office at 4am in summer & winter. The box. Is closed at 9 p.m. The nearest money order office is in Swindon.

Highworth & Swindon Union Workhouse, Thomas East, master. Mrs. Mary East, matron.

Public Library & Reading Rooms, David Archer, Esq. president.

Schools –

National, Charles Challen, master

Baptist, Miss Maria Brooks, mistress.

Post Office – Richard Fisher, receiver. Letters received through the Swindon office at 7 a.m. in summer & winter. The box is closed at 8.45 p.m. The nearest money order office is at Swindon.

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Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Archer	David		JP	Kingsdown House
Arkell	Thomas			Pen Hill
Chesshire	Humphrey P.	Rev. M.A.	Vicar	

Day	Thomas	Esq.		The Villa
Gillmore	Horatio	Rev.	Baptist	

COMMERCIAL

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arkell	John	& Sons	Malsters & brewers	Kingsdown
Arkell	Thomas		Farmer	Pen Hill
Bailey	Jonathon		Cattle dealer	
Barnes	Ambrose		Tailor	
Barnes	Enos.		Tailor	
Brunsdon	Sarah	Mrs.	Corn retailer	
Brunsdon	John		Corn dealer, maltster & hop merchant	Gorse Hill
Burge	James		Plumber, painter &c	
Chowles	Robert		Cattle dealer	
Clack	Richard		Boot & shoe maker & grocer	
Collett	John		Farmer	'Beach farm'
Collett	Wm.		Farmer	
Constable	Charles		Boot & shoe maker	
Debanks	James		Publican	'Crown'
Dix	John		Publican	'Jacobs Ladder'
Eatwell	George		Blacksmith	
Edwards	William		Baker & Grocer	
Elborough	Henry		Farmer & landowner	
Ford	Thomas		Coal Merchant	Wharf
Garrett	Benjamin		Cattle dealer & farmer	
Garrett	John		Cattle dealer & farmer	
Gleed	Ambrose		Beer retailer	
Greenaway	John		Farmer	
Habgood	John		Carpenter & wheelwright	
Horton	William		Farmer	
Hughes	James		Baker & shopkeeper	
Jeeves	Edward		Farmer	
Jenner	William		Farmer	
Jones	Samuel		Coal merchant & miller	Stratton Wharf
Keene	Richd.		Beer retailer & shopkeeper	
Kemble	Richard		Farmer	Nythe farm
King	Edward		Coach builders	
King	Henry		Coach Builders	
Kirby	Sarah	Mrs.	Farmer	
Lewes	John		Carpenter & grocer	
Miles	Jane	Mrs.	Publican	'Kingsdown Inn'
Morse	Richard	& Sons	Fruiterers	
Morse	Charles	& Son	Draper & grocers	
Newnorth	John		Butcher	
Perrin	William		Beer retailer	
Pope	William Henry		Farrier & beer retailer	
Russell	Thos.		Beer retailer & cattle dealer	
Stroud	George		Beer retailer	
Stroud	Thomas		Carpenter, wheelwright & beer retailer	
Tarrent	Enos.		Shoe maker	
Tarrant	John		Collar & harness maker	
Thorne	Lovenden		Beer retailer	
Tilley	George		Farmer	
Tilley	Richard		Farmer	
Trotman	Cornelius		Boot maker	
Trotman	Daniel		Baker & grocer	
Tucker	Henry		Farmer	

Turner	Thomas		tile & pottery works	
Voller	Thomas		Confectioner	
Warmby	Judith	Miss	Beer retailer	
Wheeler	John		Butcher	
White	Martha	Mrs	Brewer & farmer	
Whiteman	Jesse		Woolstapler, farmer & cheese factor	
Yeates	John		Beer retailer	