



North Wilts Directory, 1890



Stratton St. Margaret

Is an extensive village two-and-a-half miles from Swindon Station, having increased rapidly since the establishment of the Great Western Railway Company's Works at Swindon, many of the Company's employees living in the portion of the parish of Stratton known as Gorse Hill, not far from Swindon. The Gorse Hill district has been added to the New Swindon Local Board District for sanitary purposes – a course which gives drainage and gas to this important locality; and, what is very essential, future houses will be built under the provisions of the bye-laws of the Local Board. Already the benefits of connection with the Local Board are experienced and much more advantage is hoped for. The autumn of 1889 witnessed the complete severance of this portion of the parish, and now Gorse Hill is entirely governed from Swindon. The Parish Church is an ancient stone structure of the Early English style of architecture, and supposed to have been erected in the reign of Edward I. The living is a vicarage, value £200 per year, with residence, to which the Bishop of Bristol and Gloucester nominates, and Merton College presents. The present vicar is the Rev. Septimus Isaac Crawhill, M.A. of Magdalen College, Oxford. There is an iron church, dedicated to St. Philip, at Upper Stratton, and a handsome permanent church, dedicated to St. Barnabas, has been erected at the populous district of Gorse Hill, and is used regularly for service. The Rev. Philip Maddocks, B.D. being the Vicar-Designate. A spacious and handsome Sunday School, adjoining the church, has recently been completed, and has provided that accommodation for which the want has long been felt. There are Wesleyan, Baptist, and Primitive Methodist Chapels in the village. The Baptist minister at Upper Stratton is the Rev. J. W. Garner. The Lower Stratton Baptist Chapel has an endowment of £24 per year. The Methodist Chapels are supplied by preachers from Swindon. In this parish is the workhouse of the Highworth and Swindon Union. The Lord of the Manor is Mr. David Archer, J.P., of Kingsdown House, There are three hamlets in the parish – Upper Stratton, Kingsdown and Gorse Hill. The area of the parish is 2,882 acres, and the population, in 1861, was 1,642. In 1871 the population was 2,527 an increase of 835. In 1881, the population was 3,954, an increase of 1,427 during the ten years elapsing from 1871, or 2,292 from 1861 to 1881. Letters through Swindon.

There is a Money-Order Office in Lower Stratton and at Gorse Hill. A new Post-Office has been opened at Upper Stratton, and the Lower Stratton Post-Office is now a Telegraph Office.

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Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Aplin	Henry		Butcher	Upper Stratton
Aplin	Benjamin		Butcher etc	The Street
Andrew	James		Inland Revenue officer	Upper Stratton
Archer	David	Lt-Col	JP	Kingsdown house
Arkell	Thomas		Brewer	Kingsdown
Arkell	James		Brewer	The Close, Lower Stratton
Arkell	Henry		Waywarden	Pen Hill farm
Arkell	John		Mechanic	Station Rd
Arkell	Frances	Mrs		The Street, Lower Stratton
Ashe	Frank		Grocer, Beer seller, coach builder and sub-postmaster	Upper Stratton
Avery	William Thomas		Dairyman	Upper Stratton
Ayers	George		Carpenter	Upper Stratton
Bailey	Henry		Bricklayer	The Green
Bailey	Ambrose		Waggon builder	Upper Stratton
Baldwin	George		Bailiff	The Wharf
Barnes	Albert		Commercial traveler	The Street
Barnes	Charles		Assistant overseer & assessor of taxes	The Street

Barnes	Henry		Railway servant	Gorse-hill
Barrett	Enos		Drayman	Kingsdown
Barwick	Joseph		Mason	Gorse-hill
Baughn	William		Machine man	Upper Stratton
Bezley	Robert		Boilersmith	Gorse-hill
Bizley	William		Milk seller	Upper Stratton
Bizley	John		Thatcher	Highworth Rd
Bourton	John		Farmer	The Green
Bowen	James		Railway Guard	Gorse-hill
Bown	Edward		Dealer	Upper Stratton
Bown	Alexander		Boilersmith	Upper Stratton
Bown	George		Boilersmith	Kingsdown
Browning	Francis			Upper Stratton
Browning	Reginald		Railway porter	Upper Stratton
Brunsdon		Mrs		Gorse-hill
Burge	William		Painter etc	The Street
Butler	Henry		Greengrocer	Marshgate
Cadle	Henry		Machinist	Swindon Rd
Cambridge	Benjamin		Mason	Gorse-hill
Carpenter	William		Striker	Kingsdown
Carter	James		Fishmonger	Highworth Rd
Carter	Albert		Furnaceman	Upper Stratton
Carter	John		Fishmonger	The Green
Clack	Richard		Shopkeeper	Stratton
Clarke	Henry		Dealer	The Green
Colborne	Thomas		Builder, Timber merchant etc	Crossroads
Colborne	Samuel		Farmer	Swindon Rd
Cole	Edward James		Baker etc	Upper Stratton
Cole	Charles		District Surveyor & Sanitary inspector	Upper Stratton
Coleing	Jethro Kinch		Farmer & Churchwarden	Upper Stratton
Collett	William Jacob		Waywarden & guardian	Breach farm
Constable	Charles		Baker & Post-master	Gorse-hill
Cook	Henry		Baker & Mealman	Upper Stratton
Cook	Enos		GWR Porter	Upper Stratton
Cook	Michael			Upper Stratton
Cook	William		Sawyer	High St, Gorse Hill
Cook	Thomas		Machinist	The Street
Cowley	Charles		Shopkeeper	Kingsdown
Cowley	Albert		Smith	Upper Stratton
Cox	Herbert		Milk seller	The Green
Cox	George		Mechanic	The Green
Cox	Samuel		Smith	Gorse-hill
Cox	William		Boilermaker	Gorse-hill
Cox	Stephen		Dairyman	The Wharf
Crawhall	S.I.	Rev.	Vicar	Vicarage
Cripps	Thomas		Dealer	Upper Stratton
Cullen	William		Railway guard	Gorse-hill
Curtis	Jasper		Brickmaker	Kingsdown
Davis		Mrs		The Street
Davis	Charles		Dealer	The Green
Day	Edward		Brickmaker	The Green
Dorrell	John		Gardener	High St, Gorse Hill
Draper	Charles		Platelayer	High St, Gorse Hill
Dunn	Henry		House agent	Gorse-hill
Dunn	Thomas		Platelayer	High St, Gorse Hill
Dunn	Thomas		GWR packer	Highworth Rd
Eatwell	George		Blacksmith	Station Rd
Edwards	William		Shopkeeper	Upper Stratton
Evans		Mrs	Schoolmistress	Avenue Terrace, Gorse-hill
Farr	Edward		Forgeman	Upper Stratton
Farmer	James		Newsagent & agent for	Victoria cottages

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Fernie	James		Surgeon	Swindon Rd
Fisher	Alfred		Painter	Kingsdown
Fisher	George		Blacksmith	Crossroads
Fisher	Maria	Mrs	Shopkeeper	The Street
Fletcher	George		Carpenter	Upper Stratton
Ford	Henry James		Baker	Upper Stratton
Ford	Henry		Grocer & Pork butcher	Kingsdown
Ford	Thomas		Furnaceman	Kingsdown
Ford	Jacob			Wheatsheaf Inn, The Street
Fox	George		Striker	Upper Stratton
Freeth	Charles William		Compositor	Station Rd
Fry	Oliver		Shopkeeper	Gorse-hill
Furbey	George		Tinsmith	Kingsdown
Fyson	Fuller		Farmer	Pidgeon House Farm
Gadford	John		Miller	Swindon Rd
Gantlett	David			Church farm
Gardner	J W	Rev	Baptist Minister	Upper Stratton
Gardner	Thomas		Guard	Upper Stratton
Garlick	Daniel		Tailor	Upper Stratton
Gaunt	Alfred		Painter	The Green
George	George		Carpenter	The Green
George	Richard		Carpenter	The Green
Gibbs	John		Tailor	Upper Stratton
Gibbs	William		Manager	Working Men's Club, Gorse-hill
Gilbert	Coltrip J G		School-master	Lower Stratton
Gingell	Alfred		Platelayer	Upper Stratton
Godwin	William		Farmer	The Green
Grandfield	Henry		Foreman brickmaker	Gorse-hill
Gray	Thomas		Painter	Upper Stratton
Gray	John Mark		Railway porter	Gorse-hill
Green	Joseph		Waggon-builder	Upper Stratton
Greenaway	William		Dealer	The Green
Gregory	Henry John		Railway guard	Gorse-hill
Griffin	John		Brickmaker	The Green
Griffiths	John		Cooper	Kingsdown
Griffiths	Henry		Cooper	Kingsdown
Grubb	Charles		Fitter	Kingsdown
Gunter	Lewington		Carpenter	High St, Gorse Hill
Haines	Frederick		Clerk	Kingsdown
Hale	George		Baker	Kingsdown
Hale	Soloman		Carpenter	Kingsdown
Hammett	Edward Johnson		Fitter	Kingsdown
Hammett	William		Baker	Upper Stratton
Harris	Henry		Carpenter, joiner & builder	Upper Stratton
Harris	Samuel		Carpenter	Upper Stratton
Harris	Isaac	Snr	Milk-seller	Kingsdown
Harris	Joseph		School attendance officer	Gorse-hill
Harris	Frederick		Ticket-collector	Upper Stratton
Hart	Thomas		Moulder	Kingsdown
Hatt	Thomas		Machineman	Upper Stratton
Haskins		Miss		High St, Gorse Hill
Haynes	Arthur		Baker & grocer	Gorse-hill
Hayward	John	Sen	Painter	Gorse-hill
Hayward	John		Painter	Gorse-hill
Hayward	Robert William		Rivetter	Station Rd
Hayward	William		GWR Packer	High St, Gorse Hill
Hayward	Alfred		China Warehouse	Upper Stratton
Henley	J J		Railway servant	Gorse-hill
Hicks	Seymour		Painter	The Green
Higgins	Joseph		Farm-bailiff	Parsonage Farm
Hillbourne	Daniel		Carpenter	Gorse-hill

Hill	William Osland		School-master	Upper Stratton
Hill	Henry		Licensed victualler	Jacobs Ladder Inn
Hill	Edwin		Tilemaker	The Green
Hillier	Caleb			Engineer's Arms, The Green
Herbert	James		Postmaster	The Street
Hoddinott	Edward			Great Western Farm Dairies Co., Crossroads
Hood	William Edward Thomas		Painter	Boundary-house, Upper Stratton
Holdman	Frederick		Carpenter	Upper Stratton
Hollick	Charles		Railway Foreman laborer	Upper Stratton
Hollick	Emma	Mrs		Vaccination Station, Swindon Rd
Hollier	Henry James		Machineman	Kingsdown
Holloway	Joseph		Smith	The Green
Hood	Edward James		Painter	Upper Stratton
Hopkins	John		Station-master	Stratton Station
Hughes	James			Crown Inn, The Street
Hughes	George		General dealer	Gorse-hill
Hunt	David		Farmer	The Green
Hunt	Tom		Machineman	The Green
Hunt	Thomas		Striker	Upper Stratton
Hunt	William		Foreman laborer	Gorse-hill
Iles	John		Carpenter	Upper Stratton
Iles	George		Shopkeeper	Gorse-hill
Iles	William		Boatman	Canal-side, Crossroads
Iles	Thomas		Brewer	Kingsdown
Iles	John		Railway guard	Gorse-hill
Iles	Thomas		Carpenter	Upper Stratton
Iles	William		Platelayer	Upper Stratton
Impey	John		Platelayer	Upper Stratton
Ingram	William			Wheatsheaf, Upper Stratton
Ingram	John		Engine driver	Upper Stratton
Iven	Rebecca	Mrs		High St, Gorse Hill
Jackson	Thomas		School attendance officer, Bricklayer, etc	Upper Stratton
Jaggard	Frederick		Carpenter	High St, Gorse Hill
Jarvis	Henry		Blacksmith	Kingsdown Inn
Jarvis	Frederick		Grocer	High St, Gorse Hill
Jefferies	William		Chargeman	Upper Stratton
Jewell	William		Mason	Upper Stratton
Jobbins	Ezra		Mason	Upper Stratton
Jones	Samuel			Stratton Stream Mill
Jones	William Ebenezer		Fitter	Station Rd
Jones	Fanny	Mrs		Station Rd
Joyce	Charles		Builder & Contractor	Gorse-hill
Kemble	William		Boilersmith	Upper Stratton
Kembrey	George		Milk seller	Gorse-hill
Kempster	George		Striker	High St, Gorse Hill
Ketley	James		Transfer shipper	Station Rd
Kilminster	Joseph		Slater & Plasterer	Upper Stratton
King	Frederick		Mason	Upper Stratton
King	Thomas		Drayman	Kingsdown
Lancaster	William Henry		Coach builder	Upper Stratton
Lawrence	Samuel		Painter	Kingsdown
Lawton	James	Rev.	Curate	Upper Stratton
Lay	James		Boilermaker	Victoria cottages
Lay	George		Smith	Victoria cottages
Leighfield	William		Pensioner	Upper Stratton
Liddon	Edwin Charles		Painter	The Green
Leach	John		Bricklayer	Kingsdown
Legg	John		Maltster	Kingsdown

Legg	Maurice		Bricklayer	Upper Stratton
Legg	Alfred		Striker	Upper Stratton
Lewis		Mrs		The Street
Lewis	John		Blacksmith	The Street
Lewis	William Edward		Painter	The Green
Lewington	Farmer		Boilersmith	The Green
Looker	Henry		Builder	Swindon Rd
Lopes	Henry		Fitter	Upper Stratton
Love	Thomas		Baker	The Street
Loveday	Eli		Maltster	Station Rd
Loveday	John		Sawyer	Station Rd
Ludlow	Henry James		Striker	Upper Stratton
Maddocks	P	Rev	Vicar designate	Gorse-hill
Manton	George		Boilermaker	High St, Gorse Hill
Mason		Mrs	Dressmaker	The Street
Mason	William		GWR Packer	High St, Gorse Hill
Matthews	Walter		Shoemaker	Upper Stratton
Manners	Henry			Nythe Farm
Meadows	James		Carpenter & joiner	High St, Gorse Hill
Miles	George		Railway servant	Gorse-hill
Miles	William			Duke of Edinburgh, Gorse-hill
Miflin	William			The Street
Millard	Levi		Grocers assistant	High St, Gorse Hill
Montague	Charles		Carpenter	Cross-roads
Moon	George		Carter	The Green
Morse		Miss		Swindon Rd
Morse	Ebenezer		Grocer & Butcher	The Street
Mulcock	Hiram		Furnace man	Swindon Rd
Mulcock	Benjamin		Furnace man	Kingsdown
Neal	Albert Edward		Insurance agent	The Green
Newbold	Thomas		Tinsmith	Upper Stratton
Nipress	William		Furnace man	Upper Stratton
New	Noah		Striker	The Green
Norris	Thomas		GWR Packer	Highworth Rd
Ockwell	Ames		Groom	High St, Gorse Hill
Osbourne	Henry		Shopkeeper	Upper Stratton
Packer	James		Blacksmith	Upper Stratton
Padget		Mrs	Shopkeeper	Gorse-hill
Page	Sarah		Dressmaker	Swindon Rd
Palmer	Edwin		Groom	Upper Stratton
Parsons	Charles		Police constable	Gorse-hill
Payne	William		Carpenter	Upper Stratton
Pearce	James		Mechanic	Upper Stratton
Pearce	Alfred Comley		Machinist	High St, Gorse Hill
Pearce	Henry E		Printer	Station Rd
Pearce	Thomas		Blacksmith	Cross-roads
Pearce	Henry		Grocer, butcher & provision merchant	Station Rd
Penny	James		Carpenter	Station Rd
Penny	William T		Carpenter & beerhouse keeper	Gorse-hill
Ponting	John		Mason	Swindon Rd
Ponting	Stephen		Mason	Kingsdown
Porter	William		Railway servant	Gorse-hill
Perrett	William		Shunter	The Green
Pound	M E		Brewer	Clyde Villa, The Green
Pound	William			Star Brewery
Pound	Mary	Mrs		Swindon Rd
Powell	Thomas		Striker	Upper Stratton
Prince	James		Brewer	The Green
Radway	Jethro		Greengrocer	Kingsdown
Read	George		Railway servant	Gorse-hill
Reams	Joseph		Carter	Kingsdown

Reeves	David		Coppersmith	Kingsdown
Reeves	Frederick		Drayman	Kingsdown
Reynolds	James		Striker	Upper Stratton
River	Charles		Miller	The Green
Robbins	James		Clerk	Upper Stratton
Rochester	George		Railway inspector	Gorse-hill
Rodbourne	Henry		Baker	Upper Stratton
Rudler	George		Farmer	Upper Stratton
Russell	Joseph		Farmer & Dealer	The Street
Russell	Charles		Farmer & Dealer	The Street
Russell	George		Butcher & Dealer	The Street
Salter	Richard		Police constable	Swindon Rd
Sawyers	Henry John		Painter	Upper Stratton
Shail	John		Labourer	Upper Stratton
Shail	Robert		Boilersmith	Upper Stratton
Shail	Thomas		Smith	Upper Stratton
Shute	James		Cellarman	Upper Stratton
Sims	William		Platelayer	Upper Stratton
Skinner	Daniel		Baker	Gorse-hill
Smart	Henry		Road contractor & land measurer	
Smart	James		General shopkeeper	Gorse-hill
Smith	R T & Co		Railway agent	Gorse-hill
Smith	Edwin		Platelayer	The Green
Smith	Frederick Gilliatt	Capt		Stratton House
Smith	Charles	Sen.	Platelayer	Kingsdown
Smith	William Thomas		Machineman	Upper Stratton
Smith	William		Machineman	Upper Stratton
Smith	George		Striker	Upper Stratton
Spackman	Peter William		Tinsmith	Kingsdown
Spearing	Reuben		Carpenter	Station Rd
Stephens	Edwin James		Master	Workhouse
Stone	Robert		Gardener	Kingsdown
Strange	Harry		Wheelwright	The Street
Stratford	James		Letter Carrier	Station Rd
Stroud	Mary	Mrs		Plough Inn
Styles	Alfred Frederick		Striker	Crossroads
Tarrant	Enos		Shoemaker	Station Rd
Tarrant		Mrs	Shopkeeper & beer retailer	Gorse Hill
Taylor	Aaron Newman			Upper Stratton
Taylor	James		Porter	Crossroads
Thatcher	Ralph		GWR Packer	Swindon Rd
Thatcher	Thomas		Shepherd	Highworth Rd
Theobald	Henry		Striker	Kingsdown
Theobald	Albert		Rivetter	Upper Stratton
Theobald	William Francis		Butcher	The Green
Thorne	Abner		Striker	Crossroads
Tilley	George		Farmer	The Street
Townsend	Charles		Wheelwright	Kingsdown
Trotman	D		Baker	The Street
Trowbridge	James		Bricklayer	The Green
Tuck	Martha	Mrs.	Dressmaker	High St, Gorse Hill
Tucker	Levi		Butcher	Gorse Hill
Tuckwell	William		Coachman	Kingsdown
Turner	John			Green Lane
Usher	George		Farm Bailiff	Stratton
Usher	John		Signalman	Upper Stratton
Usher	Ruth	Mrs.		Crowdy's Hill
Veal	Samuel		Carpenter	The Street
Wadsworth	Frederick			The Street
Wadsworth	Frederick		Farmer	High St, Gorse Hill
Wagner	Henry		Schoolmaster	Gorse Hill
Wakefield	Anthony		Sawyer	Station Rd
Wakefield	John		Hairdresser	High St, Gorse Hill

Wallace	Charles		Decorator	High St, Gorse Hill
Warman	Joseph			White Hart Inn
Ward	John		Boot & Shoe shop	Gorse Hill
Warren	Thomas		Market Gardener	The Moors
Webb	John		Striker	High St, Gorse Hill
Webb	James George		Railway Clerk & Tax Collector	The Street
Weston	Albert		Railway Guard	Gorse Hill
Weston	Henry			Kingsdown
Wheeler	James		Beerhouse keeper, Farmer & Coal Merchant	Upper Stratton
Wheeler	Albert Henry		Letter Carrier	Gorse Hill
Whiteman	Joseph		Platelayer	The Street
Wichall	Paul		Mason	Gorse Hill
Wilkins	Jane	Mrs		The Street
Wilkins	Richard		Blacksmith	Upper Stratton
Wilson	Hugh			New Inn
Woolford	James		Signalman	Kingsdown
Woolford	George		Mason	The Green
Wright	Sarah	Mrs	Shopkeeper	Gorse Hill
Yeates	Charles		Shoemaker	The Street
Yeates	Thomas		Furnaceman	Upper Stratton
Young	John Giles		Clerk	Kingsdown