

## **Property Sale in Swindon**

## A Cheap House - £15

A successful property sale was conducted at the Kings Arms Hotel, Swindon, last Monday afternoon, by Messrs. Bishop and Pritchett, when with one exception, every lot offered changed hands.

The first lot comprised an enclosure of freehold pasture land, known as "The Great Dunge", having an area of 7a. 0r. and 37p., situate on the road leading from Swindon to Shrivenham and being in the parish of Stratton St. Margaret. This lost is at present let to Mr. L. L. Morse on a yearly tenancy of £19 per annum. The land has an extensive frontage of about 1,100 feet on the main road.

The bidding commenced at £300 and quickly went to £670, at which figure it was knocked down to Mr. A. E. Tunley, decorator, of Swindon.

Lot 2 was the freehold pasture land known as "The Little Dunge", containing an area of about 3a. 2r. 3p., situate in Gipsy Lane in the parish of Stratton St. Margaret. The land has a frontage of about 600 feet to Gipsy Lane, and is let on a yearly tenancy at £9 per annum. From £150 the price rapidly rose to £315, Mr. H. W. Thomas, Eagle Hotel, Swindon becoming the purchaser.

The property was sold by the direction of the executor of the late Mrs. M. M. Tomlin, and the solicitor for the vendor was Mr. W. J. Phelps, of Ramsbury.

Mr. Thomas Turner, of Drove Road, paid £140 for a close of freehold pasture land, known as "Clayfield" or "Arnold Field", having an area of 1a. 3r. 13p., adjoining the main road leading from Swindon to Shrivenham, and being in the parish of Stratton St. Margaret. The land is present let on a yearly tenancy at £6 per annum.

Lot 4 was an enclosure of freehold pasture land, known as "Highworth Field", containing an area of about 8a. 3r. 29p., situate in the parish of Highworth, and let on a yearly tenancy at £12 per annum. The bidding was started at £200, but got no further than £210, Mr. J. Webb, of Swindon and Highworth, becoming the owner at that price.

Lot 5 comprised four freehold tenements and gardens thereto, situate opposite the Parish Church, Stratton St. Margaret, two being occupied at weekly rents amounting £13 per annum. The other two are now void, but were formerly let at rents amounting to 3s. 3d. per week. The lot contains an area of about 67 poles. Started at £100, the lot eventually fell to the bid of £180, by Mr. E. Thomas.

Lot 6 comprised a freehold cottage and garden, situate near the "Sun Inn", Liddington, and now occupied at a weekly rent amounting to £1 19s. per annum. The garden belonging to this cottage is situate on the opposite side of the road. The bidding opened at £10, and the lot was knocked down to Mr. Ponting, of Swindon, for the very small sum of £15.

A freehold cottage at Wroughton, situate near the Swan Inn was withdrawn at £62.

The above was offered by direction of the executors of the late Paul Morse.

Mr. A. E. Withy was the solicitor for the vendors in respect of the last 3 lots. The final lot to be offered was a dwelling house, with large outbuildings, situate near the Cross Keys Inn, Lower Wanborough, the property of the Anglo Bavarian Brewery, Ltd.. and let at £7 per annum. The bidding was commenced at £80, the property eventually going to Mr. Ponting for £150.

Mr. A. E. Nalder, of Shepton Mallett<sup>1</sup>, was the solicitor for the vendors in respect of this property.

Messrs. Bishop and Pritchett conducted a sale of property at the Angel Hotel, Purton, on Saturday last, 12 cottages situate in the Square, Purton being offered. Mr. Joseph Sweeper became the purchaser of the lot for the sum of £900.

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## **OPC Notes:**

Paul Morse was from Liddington and died on the 15th October 1900.

The abbreviations and symbols used in the article for area size and currency are as follows:-. a = acres; r = Roods; p = Poles or Perches. There are 4 roods in an acre and 40 poles/perches make up a rood.  $\pounds = Pounds$  sterling; s = Shillings; d = pence/pennies. 20 shillings make up 1 pound and 12 pennies make a shilling.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Shepton Mallett is in Somerset