

Stratton St. Margaret c1900

Property Sale in Swindon

A Brisk Business

Mr. J. A. Y. Matthews, of the firm of Dore, Fielder and Matthews, auctioneers, of this town, conducted a most wonderful sale of property at the King's Arms Hotel, Swindon, last Monday evening. There was a large company, and the bidding was exceedingly brisk. Before proceeding with the disposal of the various lots, the Auctioneer drew attention to the fact that Mr. J. E. G. Bradford, formerly of Swindon, was amongst them once more, having taken up temporary residence at Markham, Wroughton, the late Capt. Pavy's beautiful residence. He was sure they would all extend to Mr. Bradford a very hearty welcome on his return to the town. The sale was then proceeded with.

Lot 1 - comprised an enclosure of rich pasture land, known as "The Marsh Ground", and situate near the Stratton Road, Swindon, the building thereon comprising licensed slaughterhouse, piggeries, etc. The whole contains an area of 4a. 2r. 14¼p., and Mr. Cooper of Belle Vue, Swindon became the owner for £450.

Lot 2. - An enclosure of pasture land adjoin the road leading from Stratton Road to Walcot, and comprising an area of 2a. 4p., was sold to Mr. T. Arkell, of Kingsdown, for £120.

Lot 3 - Was the freehold pasture field, known as the "Common Mead", or "Feeder Ground", situate near the last lot, and containing 7a. 37½p. Mr. Thomas Turner became the owner at £385.

Lot 4 - This was a freehold enclosure of pasture ground - 2a. 34p in extent - and situate at Stratton Green. Mr. H. Looker, of Stratton, purchased for £100.

Lot 5 - Comprised four freehold cottages with gardens, situate at the Green, Stratton St. Margaret, the whole producing an estimated annual rental of £32 10s. The lot was sold to Mr. E. Morse, of Stratton, for £235.

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Lot 6 - Was a block of eight freehold cottages with large gardens, the whole comprising an area of 1a. 20p., and known as "Pigeon House Cottages", Stratton, the total weekly rentals producing £57 4s per annum. Mr. H. Looker bough for £585.

Lot 7 - Two enclosure of pasture land, situate near the Highworth Road, Stratton, and containing 7a. 33p., made up the seventh lot, Mr. T. Arkell becoming the purchaser for £475.

Mr. T. Arkell also bought the eighth lot, which was an enclosure of pasture land, known as "Catsbrain", and situate at Stratton, the area being 3a. 3r. 25p. The price given was £195.

Lot 9 - was a block of four freehold cottages situate at Upper Stratton, and producing in rent £36 8s. per annum. - The lot was knocked down to Mr. James Wheeler, of Upper Stratton for £145.

Lot 10 - Comprised seven dwelling houses, Nos. 22 to 28, inclusive, Avening Street, Gorse Hill, the estimated annual rental of which is $\pounds 63$ 14s. - Mr. J. Angel, of Wootton Bassett, became the owner for $\pounds 350$.

The auctioneer then submitted to the company the freehold premises situate in Cow Lane (off Princess Street, Swindon, and known as the Old Red Cow premises, comprising a dwellinghouse with garden, stabling, piggeries, etc., the whole comprising and area of 35 poles. - Mr. James Hinton became the owner for £500.

This concluded the auction.

Messrs. Butterworth, Rose and Morrison were the solicitors acting on behalf of the vendors of the whole of the above properties.

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OPC Note:-

a. = acres r. = roods p. = poles