



# Kellys Directory Extract 1915



## Atworth

**ATWORTH** was formerly a tithing of Bradford, but by an order of the Local Government Board, 19<sup>th</sup> December 1884, the tithing of Atworth was amalgamated with Great and Little Chalfield and Cottles to form the civil parish of Atworth (ecclesiastically they remain as before, and are still given under separate headings): Atworth is on the road from London to Bath and Bristol, 3 miles south from Corsham station on the Great Western railway, 3 miles from Melksham, 4 miles north-east from Bradford and 10 miles from Bath, in the Western division of the county, hundred, petty sessional division and union of Bradford, Melksham county court district, rural deanery of Potterne (Bradford portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St Michael is a building of stone, in the Geometric style, and consists of nave only: the ancient square tower, containing 3 bells, once attached to the old church, now stands apart to the north of the present building: the church was rebuilt in 1852, and affords 200 sittings. The register dates from the year 1653. The living is a vicarage, with South Wraxall annexed, joint net yearly value £265, with 4 acres of glebe and residence, in the gift of the Dean and Chapter of Bristol, and held since 1911 by the Rev Joseph William James Pratt BA of the Royal University of Ireland, who resides at South Wraxall. A parsonage house was erected about 1898. Here is a Congregational chapel, founded in 1795, with 250 sittings, a Baptist chapel, erected in 1860, seating 120 persons, and a Free church. An Institute was erected in 1914 by G P Fuller esq. and contains a library, reading, recreation and billiard rooms and baths. A clock tower was erected in 1897 to commemorate the Jubilee of Queen Victoria, at a cost of £120, defrayed by public subscription Mrs Jane Brown, widow, in the year 1706, devised £10 yearly to a mistress to educate poor children, £1 for books, £10 to the minister for catechizing children and £5 in clothing to the poor. Cottles Park, the property of G P Fuller esq. is now occupied by Sir John Michael Fleetwood Fuller bart. KCMG. Right Hon. Charles Edward H Hobhouse PC. MP who is lord of the manor, George P Fuller esq. and Charles S Awdry esq. are the principal landowners. The soil and subsoil are rock. There are several quarries of excellent stone in the neighbourhood, well adapted for building purposes. The land is chiefly in wheat and pasture. The area of the civil parish of Atworth, including Great and Little Chalfield and Cottles, is 2,756 acres; rateable value, £3,615; the population in 1911 was 785. The area of the ecclesiastical parish of Atworth and South Wraxall is 2,927 acres; the population in 1911 was 958.

**Sexton:** Frank Davis

**Post, M O & T Office:** Mrs Alice Lewington, sub-postmistress. Letters received through Melksham at 7am & 5pm; dispatched at 10.10am & 7pm; Sundays, received at 7am & dispatched at 9.45am.

**Wall Boxes:** School cleared at 10.10am & 6.50pm; Sundays 9.35pm; & Whitley Road cleared at 10.25am & 7.05pm; Sundays 9.50am.

**Public Elementary School** (mixed), built in 1828 & enlarged in 1884 & again in 1897 by G P Fuller esq. for about 200 children; Henry Inkpen, master.

**Carrier:** Edward Gibbs, from Melksham to Bath, passes through on wed & sat, returning same days.

### Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Fuller	John Michael Fleetwood	Bart., KCMG, Sir		Cottles Park
Miles	Ernest Llewellyn	Reverend	Curate of St Michael's	Parsonage
Spencer	John William			Church House

## Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
		Eades & Mitchell	Market Gardeners	
		Webb & Giddings	Farmers	
Adams	Alfred		Coal Merchant	
Adye	William	JA., MRCS Eng.	Surgeon	Attends Tuesday. & Friday 11.30am To 12.30pm
Alford	William		Mason	
Andrews	William	Mrs.	Grocer	
Andrews	William Albert		Plasterer	
Buckland	John		Publican	New Inn
Bush	Reginald		Farmer	
Bushel	Edward		Antique Dealer	
Butler	Edwin		Farmer	
Casselton	Thomas		Beer Retailer	
Chard	William	JP.	Farmer	
Crook	Frederick		Farmer	
Daniell	Mary	Mrs.	Farmer	Church Farm
Escott	Ernest		Potato Merchant	Atworth Hill
Gibbs	Edward		Farmer	Mount Pleasant
Gillman	Herbert		Farmer	Newhouse Farm **
Greenland	Edward W.		Blacksmith	
Greenman	F. Victor		Grocer	
Hampton	Jasper		Blacksmith	
Houkes	Ernest W.		Saddler	
Inkpen	Henry		Assistant Overseer & Clerk To The Parish Council	
Keen	Isaac		Quarry Owner	
Keen	William		Farmer	
Merrett	Walter Ernest		Farmer	West Farm
Miles	Ernest L.	Rev.	Honorary Secretary of Atworth Church Institute	
Mizen	Lot		Farmer	
Pearce	Reginald		Farmer	The Hayes
Sawyer	Percy		Farmer	
Sealy	Lewin		Plasterer	
Sheppard	Fanny	Mrs.	Dressmaker	
Sleighholme	Thomas		Boot Maker	
Sloper	Arthur		Farmer	Ganbrook
Spencer	John William		Land Agent To G. P. Fuller Esq.	
Talbott	T. A.		Clerk Of Works To J. P. Fuller Esq. & Honorary Secretary of the Atworth Institute	
Watson	John		Publican	White Hart Public House
Watts	Eli		Baker	
Watts	William		Butcher	
York	Joseph		Quarrymaster	

\*\* Letters Through Broughton Gifford