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**COMPTON CHAMBERLAIN** (*ST MICHAEL*), a parish, in the union of Wilton, S. division of the hundred of Damerham, S. division of Wilts, 8 miles (W.) from Salisbury; containing 350 inhabitants. It abounds with green sandstone, used for building.

The living is a discharged vicarage, valued in the king's books at £13; net income £99; patron and impropriator, J. H. Penruddock, Esq.: the rector is entitled to a rent-charge of £67. 12. Out of the tithes of the parish of Tisbury. The church is an ancient cruciform structure, in the decorated style, with a square embattled tower on the south side, forming in the lower part a porch to the church.

Colonel Penruddock, who was executed at Exeter, in 1655, for an attempt to restore Charles II to the throne, resided in the parish.