

Kelly's Directory Extract 1907 North Tidworth



NORTH TIDWORTH (or Tidworth Zouch), commonly called Tidworth, is a parish and village, on the road from Salisbury to Marlborough and on the Hampshire border, and is on the declivity of a lofty range of downs, with a station on a new line of railway, opened July 1, 1902, from Ludgershall to North Tidworth; it is 2 ½ miles in length, and is owned by the Government and leased to the Midland and South Western Railway Co,; Ludgershall station on the same line is 2 ¼ miles north; the village is 9 west-by-north from Andover, in the Eastern Division of the county, Amesbury hundred, Everleigh and Pewsey petty sessional division, Pewsey union, Andover county court district, rural deanery of Amesbury (Amesbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of the Holy Trinity is a building of flint and stone, consisting of chancel, nave, south porch and embattled western tower containing 5 bells: the fabric as it now stands dates from about 1490; the tower, however, shows some earlier work, of the date of about 1360; the font is old, apparently Norman, but the general character of the church is Late Third-Pointed; there is a brass to the Rev. Thomas Pierce, who was ejected from his fellowship at Magdalen College by the Parliamentary visitors in 1648, and who afterwards became Dean of Salisbury: the church was thoroughly restored in 1882, and affords 200 sittings: in the churchyard are monuments to the families of Maton and Mompesson. The register dates from the year 1700. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £234, with residence and 15 acres of glebe, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor and held since 1869 by the Rev. Edward Fraser Vaughan-Williams M.A. of Trinity College, Cambridge. There are almshouses for four persons (male or female), who receive 2s. each weekly.

The War Office are now lords of the manor and sole landowners, having acquired the land for military purposes under the "Military Lands Act, 1892". The soil is light; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat and barley. The area is 3,095 acres; rateable value, £3,020; the population in 1901 was 259.

Clearington (or Clary-down) Hill is half a mile west; Sidbury, an ancient British earthwork, afterwards occupied by the Romans, is 2 miles north-west. There is a group of seven barrows on the south-western side of Clearington Hill.

Parish Clerk, William Habberfield.

Station Master, Rhys Morris Davies.

Post, M.O. & T.O., S.B. & A. & I. Office – Edwin Eyles, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive by mail car from Andover & are delivered at 8 a.m. & 12.15 & 3.15 p.m.; dispatched at 10.45 a.m. & 6.30 p.m.

The children of this parish attend the school at South Tidworth, Hants.

Carrier - Edwin Eyles to Salisbury, on Tuesday; to Andover, Wednesday & Friday.

MILITARY

The head quarters of the Southern Military Command are situated at North Tidworth, but the whole of the offices and all the barracks, except those called "Mooltan" & "Lucknow" are at South Tidworth, in the county of Hants, under which place full particulars will be found.

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Lynden-Bell	Arthur Lynden	Major		Manor House,
		C.M.G.		North Tidworth
Vaughan-Williams	Edward Fraser	Rev. M.A.		Rectory,
				North Tidworth
COMMERCIAL				
Brown	Frederick		Blacksmith	North Tidworth
Dowse	Henry &		Cycle & Motor engineers & dealers,	North Tidworth
	James		agents for Centaur, Rudge-	
			Whitworth & all leading makes;	
			repairs to cycles, steam & petrol	
			engines, pumps &c. at reasonable	
			rates; accurate lathe work	
			guaranteed	
Eyles	Edwin		Grocer, Draper & Carrier, Post	North Tidworth
			Office	
Hedley	Jas. F.		Dairyman	Manor Farm,
				North Tidworth
Moore	Robt.		Jobmaster & Motor hirer	North Tidworth
Pass	Edward		Ram Hotel	North Tidworth
Rawlings	Wm.		Farmer	Zouch Farm,
				North Tidworth
Soul Brothers			Bakers & Confectioners, Grocers &	North Tidworth
			Provision dealers; families &	
			officers' messes waited on daily	
Townsend	Henry		Farmer	Down Farm,
				North Tidworth
Turner	Charles		Wood Steward to the War Office	North Tidworth
Whiscombe	George T.		Carpenter & Wheelwright	North Tidworth