

Kelly's Directory Extract 1895 Upton Lovell



Upton Lovell (in Domesday spelt Lovel) is a parish and small village, on the banks of the Wylye, 1 north-west from Codford station on the Wilts, Somerset and Weymouth branch of the Great Western railway, 5 ½ south-east from Warminster and 1 ½ south-east-by-south from Heytesbury, in the Western division of the county, Heytesbury hundred, Warminster petty sessional division, union and county court district, rural deanery of Wylye (Heytesbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St. Augustine of Canterbury is a small edifice, built in mixed styles of architecture, consisting of a chancel (built about 1150), nave, north and south porches (the latter used as a vestry), and low square tower with 3 bells: a small window in the chancel is Early Norman: the building was restored in 1892: on a stone in the wall over the south porch is the date 1633, which date was also found to be carved on one of the bosses of the oak roof of the nave at the restoration of the church in 1892, a work carried out at a cost of £600: the ancient 12th century font discovered during progress of the work has been placed at the west end, on a new pedestal of Bath stone; the church was also reseated in oak and anew oak pulpit and lectern erected; a defaced piscina was found on the south side of the chancel, and on the north side an aumbrey with dog-tooth moulding; it will seat about 150 persons. The register dates from 1712. The living is a rectory, tithe rent-charge, including 25 acres of glebe, gross yearly value £299, average £247, net income £202, with residence, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor and held since 1874 by the Rev. Herbert Frederic Crocket B.A. of Trinity College, Oxford.

There is a factory here, employing about 120 persons, in which woollen cloths are made. Mrs Ingram, T. K. Harding esq, Messrs C. Notley and James Dyke, are the principal landowners; the land is all freehold. The soil is chalky; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area is 1,400 acres; rateable value, £1,748; the population in 1891 was 233.

Parish Clerk, Edwin Hancock

Post & M.O.O., S.B. & Annuity & Insurance Office - Edwin Hancock, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive by mail cart from Bath at 5.40 a.m.; dispatched at 7.40 p.m. & 6.40 p.m. on Sundays. The nearest telegraph office is at Heytesbury.

Wall Letter Box, near the Mill, cleared at 7 p.m.; Sundays 6.10 p.m.

Parochial school (mixed), erected in 1871, with an endowment of £13 15s. yearly, for 50 children; average attendance, 50; Miss Kersey, mistress.

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Clarke	Thomas Sydenham	LieutCol.		The Manor, Upton Lovell
Coles	Robert John Hulbert			Upton Lovell
Crockett	Hrbt. Frdc.	Rev. B.A.	Rector	Rectory, Upton Lovell
Dyke	James			Upton Lovell
Ransome	Richard			Upton Lovell
Walker	William	J.P.		Lovell Cottage, Upton Lovell

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Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Day	Harris		Farm Bailiff to Mrs Ingram	Upton Lovell
Fryer	Mark		Manager of Cloth Mills	Upton Lovell
Hancock	Edwin		Carpenter & Parish Clerk, Post Office	Upton Lovell
Upton Lovell Manufacturing Co.			Woollen Cloth Manufrs. (Mark Fryer, Manager)	Upton Lovell
Whatley	Wm.		Grocer & Beer Retailer	Upton Lovell

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