



# Post Office Directory Extract 1875



## Aldbourne

**Aldbourne** is a village and parish, in the Northern division of the county, hundred of Selkley, Hungerford union and county court district, diocese of Salisbury, archdeaconry of Wilts, and rural deanery of Marlborough; it is pleasantly situated in a fertile valley, 8 miles north-west from Hungerford station, 68 from London, and 7 north-east from Marlborough.

The church of St. Michael is an ancient structure, in the Norman style, supposed to have been erected in the reign of Edward V, and has a chancel with chancel aisles, nave, aisles, porch, square tower and 8 bells; the church was restored in 1867, and a new organ presented in 1869, by the widow of Henry Charles, Esq. *in memoriam*. In the south aisle is a handsome altar-tomb with several figures, erected to the Goddard family, of Upham, date 1597; there is also one to the Waldron family, bearing an inscription in three languages, date 1617; another, of alabaster, to the memory of John Stone, prebendary of Sarum, formerly vicar of Aldbourne, date 1501; several ancient brasses remain perfect. The register dates from 1637. The living is a vicarage, yearly value £600, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury, and held by the Rev. Prebendary George Parker Cleather, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford.

There is a National mixed school, a Gothic stone building, and a new Infant school; also places of worship for Baptists, Wesleyans, and Primitive Methodists. There are three charities - Brown's, of £6 for schools; and Hill's, of £3 2s 5d, for clothing; and Thomas Goddard's, of 40s. yearly to the poor.

The representatives of the late H D Francis, Esq., are lords of the manor. The principal landowner is Walter M Baskerville, Esq.

The soil is light; subsoil, chalky. The chief crops are barley and roots. The area is 8,495 acres; gross estimated rental, £10, 847; rateable value, £9,823; and the population in 1871 was 1,513.

**Parish Clerk**, William Sheppard.

**Post & Money Order Office & Savings Bank**. - Isaac John Sheppard, postmaster. Letters received by mail cart from Hungerford; delivered at 7 a.m.; dispatched at 5.55 p.m.

**Insurance Agent** - Royal Farmer's, J Smith.

**Assistant Overseer**, Charles Smith.

**Schools:** - National, Thomas Spire, master.  
 Infant, Sarah Ann Young, mistress.

**Carriers To:--**

Hungerford - John Smith, Wed.; Francis Haines, Daily.  
 Marlborough - John Smith, Saturday.  
 Newbury - Joseph Palmer, Thursday.  
 Swindon - John Smith, Monday; James Barrett, Monday & Saturday; Shepherd, Wednesday & Saturday.

### GENTRY

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Brown	Martha	Miss		South View
Cleather	George Parker	Rev. Prebendary	Vicar	
Coleman	William			
James	Mary	Mrs.		
Puckridge	Henry James			

Witts	Edney Smith			
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## COMMERCIAL

Aldridge	William		Blacksmith	
Barrett	James		Shoe Maker & Woodman & Carrier	
Barrett	Thomas		Shopkeeper	
Bray	Jesse			Queen Victoria
Brown	Elizabeth	Miss	Farmer	West Street
Brown	Susan	Miss	Farmer	West Street
Brown	Thomas		Farmer	Lower Upham
Brown	William		Farmer	Warren
Bunce	John		Carpenter & Wheelwright	
Chandler	William		Farmer	North Farm
Chapman	James		Shopkeeper & Umbrella Repairer	
Church	Thomas		Carpenter	
Cook	Daniel, Jnr.		Carpenter & Wheelwright	
Everitt	James		Shoe Maker	
Everitt	Stephen		Publican & Farmer	Blue Boar
Farr	George		Shopkeeper	
Flower	Edmond		Saddlers & Harness Maker	
Flower	William		Saddlers & Harness Makers	
Frampton	Frederick		Farmers	Upper Upham Farm
Frampton	Randolph		Farmers	Upper Upham Farm
Glass	Anne	Miss	Shopkeeper	
Hawkins	John		Farmer	
Hayden	Thomas		Farmer	
Hawse	George		Farmer	Dudmore Lodge
Jerram	Hannah	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Jerram	John		Cooper	
Kent	Thomas		Farmer	Layne
Lambourn	Elizabeth	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Leach	Benjamin		Farmer	
Lee	John		Farmer	Pentico
Martin	Noah		Baker & Shopkeeper	
Moulding	William		Bricklayer & Beer Retailer	
New	George		Miller	
Orchard	Thomas		Farmer & Chair Maker	
Palmer	Henry		Willow Square Manufacturer	
Palmer	James		Baker & Meal Man	
Palmer	Joseph		Job Master, Shopkeeper & Carrier	
Palmer	Stephen		Willow Square Manufacturer	
Pearce	William		Farmer	
Pembroke	Charles		Butcher & Farmer	
Pett	John		Publican & Farmer	Crown
Read	Richard		Tax Collector & Willow Square Manufacturer	
Sheppard	Robert		Publican	Bell
Sheppard	William		Baker & Shopkeeper	
Smith	Charles		Maltster & Farmer	
Smith	James		Willow Square Manufacturer	
Smith	John		Shopkeeper & Carrier	
Smith	Joseph		Blacksmith, Farrier & Veterinary Surgeon	
Taylor	William		Tailor & Shopkeeper	
Waldron	Thomas		Farmer	Stock Close
Wilson	George		Farmer & Landowner	
Wentworth	Edward		Farmer	East Leaze

Wentworth	Joseph		Farmer	Ulms Hill Farm
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