



Kellys Directory Extract 1903



Alderton

Alderton is a village and parish on the Gloucestershire border, 3 miles north-east from Badminton station on the Patchway and Wootton Bassett branch and 9¼ miles north-west from Chippenham station, both on the Great Western railway, and 8 south-west from Malmesbury in the North Western division of the county, Chippenham hundred, Malmesbury petty sessional division, union and county court district, rural deanery of Chippenham and archdeaconry and diocese of Bristol. The new line of the Great Western railway, from Wootton Bassett to the Severn Tunnel, passes a little south of the village. The church of St. Giles is a building of stone, in the Early English style, and consisting of chancel, nave south aisle, north transept, south porch and spire with 5 bells: the church was repaired about 1845 and has 190 sittings. The register dates from the year 1603. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £144, in the gift of Lieut.-Col. Sir Audley Dallas Neeld bart. C.B., M.V.O. and held since 1899 by the Rev. Charles Edward Hutchinson M.A. of Brasenose College, Oxford. Lieut.-Colonel Sir Audley Dallas Neeld bart., C.B., M.V.O. of Grittleton, is lord of the manor and sole landowner. The soil is loam; subsoil clay. The chief crops are wheat, barley and roots. The area is 1,636 acres; rateable value, £1,297; the population in 1901 was 218.

Post Office – Mrs. Jane Watts, sub-postmistress. Letters through Chippenham at 7.55 a.m. & 7.45 p.m. (callers only); there is no delivery or dispatch on Sundays; dispatched at 6.35 p.m. Postal orders are issued here, but not paid. Sherston is the nearest money order & telegraph office, 3 miles distant.

Elementary School, built in 1845, for 35 children; average attendance, 28; & has an endowment of £10 yearly, chargeable on the Neeld estates & is also supported by Sir A. D. Neeld, bart.; Allan Etherington, master.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Hutchinson	Charles Edward	Rev.	Vicar	Vicarage

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bryant	Joseph Wayte		Farmer	Grove Farm
Etherington	Alan		Schoolmaster	
Ford	John		Shopkeeper	
Knapp	Arthur		Beer retailer	
Spencer	Elizabeth	Miss	Farmer	
Spencer	Kate	Miss	Farmer	
Tanner	William Thomas		Farmer	New Farm
Watts	Jane		Sub Postmistress	
Watts	Jane	Mrs.	Post office	
Wheeler	Stephen Lewellin		Farmer	Townfield farm