

Post Office Directory Extract 1875

Bishopstone (Wilton)

Bishopstone (near Salisbury) is a parish and village, within the parliamentary borough of Wilton, in the Southern division of the county, Downton hundred, Wilton union, Salisbury county court district, diocese and archdeaconry, and Chalke rural deanery, 6 miles south-west from Salisbury, 4 south from Wilton, and 90 from London, on the river Ebele.

The church of St. John the Baptist is a handsome cruciform Gothic structure; it has a square embattled tower rising from the centre with 3 bells; the communion service was presented in 1663 by Bishop Earle, who had been formerly a rector of the parish. The register dates from about 1625. The living is a rectory and vicarage, yearly value £760, with 29 acres of glebe land and residence, in the gift of the Earl of Pembroke, and held by the Venerable Francis Lear, M.A., of Christ College, Oxford, archdeacon and canon residentiary of Salisbury.

There is a National school, which was built by a former rector, the Rev. George A Montgomery, M.A., and endowed by him with £419 consols, and is now supported by subscription; there is also a Dissenting chapel.

The Pembroke family have been lords of the manor since 1663; the principal landowner is the Earl of Pembroke.

The soil and subsoil is chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips.

The parish extends over 4,429 acres; gross estimated rental, £5,138; rateable value, £4,719; with a population in 1871 of 667.

Faulston (or Fallston), **Flamston**, **Croucheston**, and **Naton** (or Netton) are hamlets near each other, about a mile west; **Throope** is also a hamlet.

SEXTON, George Wort.

POST OFFICE, John Compton, receiver. Letters arrive from Salisbury at 8.30 a.m. & dispatched at 5.45 p.m. The nearest money order office is at Wilton.

NATIONAL SCHOOL, Miss Mary Gover, mistress.

CARRIERS to Salisbury, James Elliott & Charles Penney, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday.

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Fleming	Hugh	Rev. B.A.	Curate	
Lear	Francis	M.A.	Rector & archdeacon of Sarum	

Commercial

Barter	Thomas	Shoe maker	
Brooks	George	Publican	White Hart
Case	Charles	Shoe maker	
Compton	Edward	Blacksmith	
Compton	John	Shopkeeper & post office	
Dibben	Edwin	Farmer	

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Dibben	George	Farmer	
	Frederick		
Elliott	James	Blacksmith & carrier	Flamston
Gray	Alfred	Millers	
Gray	George	Millers	
Lanham	Isaac	Shopkeeper & beer retailer	
Parrett	James	Grocer & baker	
Sidford	Frederick	Farmer	Fallston
Tucker	Edwin	Farmer	
Wheeler	Samuel	Farmer & beer retailer	
Wort	George	Wheelwright	Flamston
Young	Walter	Famer	