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Bradford on Avon



On the western border of Wiltshire, 100 miles west of London, 7 miles south east of Bath, and 20 from Bristol, is a noted and populous manufacturing town, romantically situated on the banks of the considerable river called the Lower Avon, which running through the centre, divides it into two parts over which are two stone bridges, one large and handsome with 9 arches in the centre, of the town, the other lower down the river is on the outskirts of it. The river flows west through Bath to Bristol, and empties itself into the Bristol channel. The Kennet and Avon canal which connects the two great commercial cities of London and Bristol, and on which considerable trade is carried on, not only between those cities, but likewise the different towns on its whole line of navigation, forming also a junction with the coal and other canals, is close to this town, adjoining to which is a handsome and commodious wharf for the benefit of trade. Bradford is an ancient town, of some note in the time of the Saxons; deriving its present name from Bradenford, the Saxon term for broad ford, over which at that period, there was no bridge; it gives name to its hundred and is build all of stone, is situated within a cove formed by the surrounding Hills, from the summits of which, are delightful picturesque, varied and extensive prospects, and which at the same time defends it from the north and east winds, is very healthfully situated on a rocky soil, and every part verging to the river, keeps is salubrious. During the heptarchy it was distinguished by a bloody battle fought here between Kenewalchins, King of the West Saxons and his kinsman Cuthred; the remains of intrenchments and tumuli, where the slain were deposited, being still to be seen. On digging near the spot in the year 1820, several skeletons were found in good preservation, together with swords; spear heads, arrow heads and other warlike instruments, then in use, and a ring supposed gold, with a motto in the centre of an unknown character. In the reign of Edward I, it sent in one instance two members to parliament, to wit, Thomas Dering and William Wager, but whether it forfeited its right by neglect or was disfranchised by the authority of government is uncertain; it still, however, retains the appellation of "the borough." The streets in this town, although irregular, are in general wide and airy, and contains many very good houses. The church is a large ancient building with a steeple and tower, containing 8 remarkably fine toned bells, the interior is handsome, and has an excellent organ, with many well sculptured marble monuments, particularly in the chancel, where there is a very good altarpiece, ornamented with a painting of the last supper, done by a native of this town; it has also two handsome windows of painted glass, representing the actions of our Saviour and his apostles; those windows with an elegant service of communion plate and other donations were the gifts of John Ferrett, Esq. of London, a native of this place, who died in 1770. Bradford is a vicarage, attached to which are 7 other churches, viz. Westwood, Limpley, Stoke, Winsley, Holt, South Wraxhall, Attowrth and Broughton; the living is about 800*l.* nett per annum, and is in the gift of the dean and chapter of Bristol; the Rev. F. Willilam Blomberg, chaplain to his Majesty George IV, is the present vicar. Near the church is a free school for the education of boys endowed in the year 1712; and likewise two almshouses, one for men founded by John Hall, Esq. the last of an ancient family, whose residence had been at Bradford ever since the time of Edward I; the other for poor old women, where formerly a chapel, with a bell, and an allowance for a chaplain to the same, but now applied to purposes different than what it appears was the original intention of its pious founder. Here are also six dissenting places of worship, one of which, the Wesleyan chapel, is a large and elegant building. The management of the poor of this parish is singular, it is entrusted to an additional overseer elected annually, who has a salary of 100*l.* per annum, besides perquisites and a residence in the parish workhouse, and who, in consequence of a local and particular act of parliament, passed many years ago, is invested with powers differing from any other overseers, in the kingdom; a surgeon and apothecary is likewise paid at a fixed salary for attendance on the poor. This town is famous for the manufacturing of superfine broad cloth from the best Saxon and Spanish wool, which has been carried on here to a great extent, most of the principal clothiers keeping travelers and sending goods to all parts of the united kingdom, independent of the foreign trade; it is not now so brisk as formerly, but yet is reviving again with every prospect of its former prosperity. There are in the town and its immediate neighbourhood, many extensive and handsome factories, worked either by water or stream. There is likewise a large old building called Kingston Hall, formerly the residence of the celebrated Duchess of Kingston. The population is about 13,000. Market is on Saturday; and there is a fair held on Trinity Monday. **Post Office**, near the Bridge – Ann Sharpnell, *Post Mistress*. – Mail to London at five in the evening, Bath and Bristol, and the North and West at the same hour, Salisbury and Frome at nine in the morning.

Carriers

LONDON, Giles and Hooper, from the Swan, every Monday and Thursday.
LONDON, Wallington and Co. from the Swan, every Monday and Thursday.
LONDON, Benjamin Groberty, from the Swan, every Monday and Thursday.
BATH, James Lucas, from the Swan, every day Sundays excepted.
BATH, James Philips, from the Swan, every Wed. & Saturday.
BATH and Bristol, William Butler, from the New Bear, every Mon. & Thurs.
BATH and Bristol, Sarah Dowdell, from the Scribling Horse, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
BATH, Samuel Glass, from the Old Bear, every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.
CALNE, Stephen Spackman, from the Swan, every Monday, through Melksham, &c.
FROME, Shepton and Wincanton, from the Swan, Joseph Wheeler, every Thursday and Saturday.

Coaches

BATH and Bristol, from the Swan Inn, every day Sundays excepted at seven in the morning.
BATH and Bristol, from Gerrush's Coach Office, every morning Sun. except. at 7.
TROWBRIDGE, from the Swan Inn, every evening Sunday excepted at 7.
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Academies

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Coombs	William	Rev.	Boarding & Day	Woolley Street
England	Thomas		Day	Woolley Street
Fleming	Daniel		Boarding & Day	Well Close
Fleming	Jeannett		Day	Church Yard
Walls	Anne		Boarding	Trowbridge Road
Walls	Winifred		Boarding	Trowbridge Road

Professionals & Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
		Baker & Glass	Clothiers	Church Street
		Cooper, Brothers & Co.	Clothiers	Staverton
		Gale & Elam	Clothiers	Bellcomb
		Hooper & Pearce	Surgeons	Market Place
		Hopkins & Howard	Clothiers	Mill Street
		Saunders, Farmer & Co	Clothiers	Church Street

		Stoddart, Gale, Owen & Co	Clothiers	Church Street
		Stump & Bubb	Booksellers & Stationers	Market Place
		Stump & Bubb	Fire Office Agent – British	Market Place
		Stump & Bubb	Watch & Clock Makers & Silversmiths	Market Place
		Stump & Bubb	Agents to Bish's Lottery Office	Market Place
		Timbrell & Spackman	Dyers	St. Margaret Street
		Yerbury, Tugwell, Edmonds & Co	Clothiers	Druces Hill
Adye	William F.		Surgeon	Wooley Street
Alford	John		Linen Draper &c.	Market Place
Baber	John Primrose		Taverner & Publican	Royal Oak, Market Place
Bailys	Jane		Milliner & Straw Hat Maker	Woolley Street
Bailys	Mary		Milliner & Straw Hat Maker	Woolley Street
Baines	John		Taverner & Publican	Kings Arms, Copse In.
Baker	John Shoare		Taverner & Publican	Bell, Newtown
Baker	William		China, Glass & Earthenware Dealer	Newtown
Batten	James		Carpenter & Joiner & Builder	Woolley Street
Batten	Jeremiah		Mason	White Hill
Bedbury	Joseph		Tiler & Plasterer	Greenland
Bishop	Aaron		Bakers	Near the bridge
Budgett	James		Fire Office Agent – County	Market Place
Budgett	James	& Sons	Grocer & Tea Dealers	Market Place
Budgett	James	& Sons	Tallow Chandlers	Market Place
Bulgin	James		Bakers	Church Street
Bullock	William		Watch & Clock Maker	Pippet Street
Bush	John		Attorney	Church Street
Bush	John		Fire Office Agent – Salamander	Church Street
Butterworth	Edmund		Pawnbroker	Church Street
Buxton	Joseph		Taverner & Publican	Cross Keys, St. Margaret Street
Byfield	Emanuel		Tanner	Turleigh
Cadby	Charles		Carpenter & Joiner	Trowbridge Road
Carpenter	Richard		Bakers	St. Margaret Street
Challenger	George		Coopers	Woolley Street
Cleveland	Thomas		Carpenter & Joiner	Near the Bridge
Coles	William		Millwright	Trowbridge road
Collar	William		Boot & Shoe Maker	Horse Street
Collins	Daniel		Taverner & Publican	Scribling Horse
Cress	Charles		Grocer & Tea Dealer	St. Margaret Street
Crisp	James		Taverner & Publican	Queens Head, St. Margaret Street
Cross	Joseph		Watch & Clock Maker	Woolley Street
Daniel	John		Plumber & Glazier & Painter	Woolley Street

Davies	John		Clothier	Holt
Davis	Charles		Coopers	St. Margaret Street
Davis	Elizabeth		Milliner & Straw Hat Maker & Haberdasher	Market Place
Davis	Henry		Brazier & Tinman	St. Margaret Street
Deson	William		Taverner & Publican	Masons Arms, Newtown
Dunsdon	William		Plumber & Glazier & Painter	Pippet Street
Dyer	James		Fancy Turner	Woolley Street
Earl	George		Carpenter & Joiner	White Hill
Edmonds	Ezekial		Fire Office Agent – Atlas	Druces Hill
Edmonds	John		Clothier	Druces Hill
Everett	Francis		Grocer & Tea Dealer	Pippet Street
Everett	Joseph		Patten Maker	Pippet Street
Fisher	James		Tiler & Plasterer	Morgan's Hill
Fricker	Gilion		Millwright	Trowbridge road
Fricker	James		Tailor	Whitehead's Lane
Gerrish	James		Taverner & Publican	Rose & Crown, Mill Street
Gibbs	William George		Taverner & Publican	Ship, Church Street
Gishford	Sarah		Tailor & Draper	Shambles
Green	Simon		Tailor	Woolley Street
Hale	William		Innkeeper & Hotelier	Swan Inn, Church Street
Hale	William		Taverner & Publican	Three Horse Shoes, Margaret Street
Halse	Thomas		Druggist & Chemist	Woolley Street
Halse	Thomas		Dealer in Foreign Spirits & Wines	
Harding	William		Auctioneer	Near the Bridge
Harris	Robert		Currier & Leather Cutter	Woolley Street
Hart	Samuel		Clothier	Pippet Street
Hart	Thomas		Auctioneer	Woolley Street
Harvey	Joseph		Clothier	Barefield
Harvey	William		Bakers	Barefield
Hillman	Sarah		Milliner & Straw Hat Maker	Shambles
Hitchcock	John		Innkeeper & Hotelier	Old Bear, Market Place
Hobhouse	Benjamin	Sir	Banker, Phillott, Phillott, Lowder & Lowther	
Howard	Samuel		Carpenter & Joiner	Barefield
Howell	John		Tiler & Plasterer	Morgan's Hill
Humphreys	John		Tailor	St. Margaret Street
Huntley	Richard		Stay Maker	Market Place
Jones	Henry		Mason	Newtown
Jones	John		Mason	Wine Street
Jotham	William		Clothier	Well Close
Keevel	James		Boot & Shoe Maker & Dealer	Market Place

Kelson	William		Tailor	Shambles
Kettlety	James		Stay Maker	Woolley Street
Knapp	John		Land Surveyor & Timber Measurer	Trowbridge rd.
Lamb	William		Stay Maker	Newtown
Little	John Vine		Attorney	Church Street
Luton	Daniel		Hat Manufacturer	Market Place
Luxford	Edward		Attorney	St. Margaret Street
Marks	John		Boot & Shoe Maker	New town
Martin	Thomas		Millwright	Near the Bridge
Mason	Benjamin		Innkeeper & Hotelier	New Bear, Market Place
Mathews	Isaac		Confectioner	Shambles
Matthews	Benjamin		Saddler & Harness Maker & Ironmonger	Shambles
Matthews	Robert		Bakers	Market Place
Mead	James		Basket Maker	Woolley Street
Miles	John		Boot & Shoe Maker	Woolley Street
Mizen	Simon		Mason	Woolley Street
Mundy	John		Clothier	St. Margaret Street
Mundy	John		Stay Maker	Pippet Street
Mundy	Joseph		Clothier	St. Margaret Street
Mundy	Samuel		Clothier	St. Margaret Street
Mundy	William		Taverner & Publican	White Lion, Newtown
Newman	Richard		Mason	Barefield
Nicholls	Elizabeth		Linen Draper &c.	Pippet Street
Nicholls	Michael P.		Plumber & Glazier	Coppice Lane
Nicholls	Samuel		Cabinet Maker & Upholsterer	Near the Bridge
Pearce	James		Tiler & Plasterer	White Hill
Perrott	William		Pawnbroker	St. Margaret Street
Rawling	Joseph		Bookseller & Stationer	Pippet Street
Rawling	Joseph		Printer	Pippet Street
Renison	James P.		Clothier	Pippet Street
Rogers	James		Boot & Shoe Maker & Dealer	Pippet Street
Rogers	Mary		Milliner & Straw Hat Maker	Pippet Street
Rolf	George		Brazier & Tinman	Silver Street
Rowden	Richard		Druggist & Chemist	Pippet Street
Shrapnell	H.		Milliner & Straw Hat Maker	Near the Bridge
Shrapnell	William		Grocer & Tea Dealer	Near the Bridge
Skeapplehorn	John		Bakers	Market Place
Skinner	William		Brazier & Tinman	Shambles
Smart	Sarah		Grocer & Tea Dealer	Pippet Street
Smart	Thomas		Bakers	Pippet Street

Smart	William		Clothier	Pippet Street
Smith	John		Mason	Newtown
Spackman	John		Tallow Chandler	Horse Street
Spackman	Thomas		Clothier	Copse Lane
Spencer	John		Common Brewer	Whitehead's Lane
Spender	Benjamin		Carpenter & Joiner	Near the Bridge
Spender	Benjamin		Taverner & Publican	White Horse, Horse Street
Spuckman	John		Grocer & Tea Dealer	Horse Street
Stone	William		Attorney	Pippet Street
Stone	William		Fire Office Agent – Western	Pippet Street
Taylor	William		Grocer & Tea Dealer	Shambles
Taylor	William		Linen Draper &c.	Shambles
Taylor	William		Patten Maker	Shambles
Taylor	William		Saddler & Harness Maker	Church Street
Taylor	William		Rope Maker	Church Street
Tugwell	Thomas		Clothier	Church Street
Velvin	John		Cabinet Maker & Upholsterer	Shambles
Wastfield	Job		Millwright & Engineer	Pippet Street
Wastfield	John		Millwright & Engineer	Pippet Street
Welshman	John		Linen Draper &c.	Woolley Street
Wheeler	Peter		Bakers	Newtown
Wheeler	Peter		Grocer & Tea Dealer	Newtown
Wheeler	Thomas		Corn Dealer	Newtown
White	Charles		Boot & Shoe Maker	Pippet Street
White	Jacob		Coopers	Pippet Street
Wilkins	G.		Taverner & Publican	Seven Stars, Newtown
Williams	Ephraim		Boot & Shoe Maker	Newtown
Williams	John		Carpenter & Joiner	Newtown