



Post Office Directory Extract 1855



Brinkworth with the Hamlet of Grittenham

Is an extensive parish and village, pleasantly situated on the road from Wootton Bassett to Malmesbury, distant from Wootton Bassett station 5 miles north west, from London 88, and from Malmesbury 6; it is in the Hundred, Union and parliamentary borough of Malmesbury, North Wilts, and diocese of Gloucester. The living is a rectory, in the patronage of Pembroke College, Oxford, value £742 per annum, besides the glebe land. The incumbent is the Rev. Charles Wightwick, B.D. The church is an ancient and large structure, in the early English style, consisting of a square tower and 5 bells, nave aisle and chancel. The Independents and Wesleyans have places of worship here. There is a school, partly endowed, the deficiency being made up by voluntary contributions. The population, in 1851, was 1,339, the area in acres 5,440; ratable value £6,646. The charities amount to £10 per annum; also Miss Nicholls' gift, which is distributed, in the shape of blankets, for the benefit of the poor. The Earl of Suffolk is lord of the manor of Brinkworth; Lord Holland is lord of the manor of Grittenham.

GRITTENHAM is a tithing and manor, with 212 inhabitants; Clitchbury is 1 mile north-west; Whitehouse and Baker's Bridge, 1 mile north-west; Crows, three-quarters of a mile south-west; Windmill Houses and Halbert's Green, 1 mile north; Pen's Lodge, 1½ miles north-east; Farm Hill, Box Bush, and Fritter's Well, 1 mile north-east; Stonehouse 1½ miles east; Catley Hill, 2 miles east; Highgate, 2½ miles east; Dove's Bridge, 2½ miles south-by-east; White's Green, 1 mile south-east; Strangers, 1½ miles north; Whitlands, 1½ miles south; Smithcot, 2 miles south-west; Lowmanor Longman Street, 2 miles north-west; Sunday's Hill, 2 miles north; Forty Acres, 2½ miles north; Hundred Acres, and Moon's Leaze, 2½ miles north-east; Lurker's Wood and Bradon, 3 miles north-east; Boxbush House Lodge, Woodside, York's Cliffe, Waldron's, Latimers, Weeks, Rookery, Pitt's Land, Ellborough, Giles, Eastend, Malthouse, Vines Cheesehill, Goddards, Nicholls, Bonds, Pinnell's Place, and Snells are other places.

POST OFFICE - Robert Matthews, receiver. Letters arrive from Malmesbury at ½ past 9 a.m.; dispatched at ½ past 3 p.m. The nearest money order office is at Wootton Bassett.

PLACES OF WORSHIP:-

Church, Rev. Charles Wightwick, B.D., Rector
Independent Chapel, Rev. Robert Udell, Minister
Wesleyan Chapel, Minister Various

CARRIER - Jacob Bath, to Cirencester & Chippenham.

BRINKWORTH

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Stratton	Robert	Esq.		Boxbush House
Stratton	William	Mr.		
Udell	Herbert	Reverend		
Wightwick	Charles	Reverend, M.A.	Rector	

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Ady	John		Farmer	Lodge Farm
Bath	Benjamin		Carpenter & Beer Retailer	

Bath	Jacob		Carrier	
Bath	Robert		Beer Retailer	
Brooks	Joseph		Blacksmith	
Burchell	John		Carpenter & Cooper	
Clark	Jacob		Farmer	Longman Street
Clark	Jacob		Farmer	Sunday Farm
Clark	Robert		Farmer	Penn's Lodge
Clark	Walter		Farmer	Penn's Lodge
Collingborn	Isaac		Farmer	Woodside
Collingborn	Thomas		Farmer	York's Farm
Collingborn	William		Farmer	Dovey's Farm
Dixon	John		Farrier	
Fry	Charles		Farmer	Cliffe Farm
Fry	Charles		Butcher & Cattle Dealer	
Fry	Sarah	Mrs.	Beer Retailer	
Gagg	David		Bricklayer	
Greenman	David		Miller	
Hall	William		Farmer	Whitehouse
Hayward	John		Carpenter	
Heath	William		Shopkeeper & Beer Retailer	
Horsell	Abraham		Farmer	Sunday's Hill
Horsell	Joseph		Shopkeeper	
Hunt	Jacob		Beer Retailer	
Lewis	Sarah	Mrs.	Farmer	Sunday's Hill
Mapson	William		Butcher	
Matthews	Elizabeth	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Matthews	Robert		Bootmaker	
Matthews	William		Baker	
Matthews	William		Farmer	Woodside
Norton	Jane	Miss	Farmer	Waldron's Farm
Ody	Noah		Farmer	Latimer's Farm
Porter	William		Farmer	Week's Farm
Potter	William		Farmer	Church Farm
Reynolds	John		Farmer	Rookery
Robertson	James		Farmer	Malthouse Farm
Sainsbury	Joseph		Farmer	Rookery
Simmonds	William		Farmer	Pitt's Land Farm
Sly	Joseph		Shopkeeper	
Smith	Abraham		Parish Clerk	
Smith	Jacob		Farmer	Elborough Farm
Smith	John		Farmer	Giles Farm
Spencer	John		Farmer	East End
Stratton	James		Publican	Three Crowns
Stratton	William		Saddler & Harness Maker	
Thompson	Robert		Blacksmith	
Walker	John		Farmer	Hundred Acres
Whale	Phillip		Cattle Dealer	
Young	Nathaniel		Farmer	Clitchbury

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Ady	Henry		Farmer	White's Farm
Burchell	Jacob		Timber Dealer	White's Hill
Collingborn	Isaac		Farmer	Vine's Farm
Coster	Hezekiah		Farmer	
Coster	Thomas		Farmer	

Hart	Uriah		Farmer	Luker's Farm
Holloway	Richard		Farmer	Grittenham Farm
Mills	Richard		Farmer	Cheesehill Farm
Nicholls	Jacob		Farmer	Goddards Farm
Nicholls	Jacob	Jnr.	Farmer	Nicholl's Farm
Pullen	William		Farmer	Bond's Farm
Rumming	James		Farmer	Pinnell's Place
Rumming	William		Farmer	Pinnell's Place
Sutton	James		Farmer	Greatwood Farm
Sutton	John		Farmer	Grittenham Common
Sutton	Thomas		Farmer	Snell's Farm