

Post Office Directory Extract 1875

Brinkworth with Grittenham



Brinkworth is a parish and village within the parliamentary borough of Cricklade, pleasantly situated on the high road from Swindon to Malmesbury, in the Northern division of the county, hundred, union, and county court district of Malmesbury, diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, archdeaconry of Bristol, and rural deanery of Malmesbury north, 5 miles north-west from Wootton Bassett station, 88 from London, and 6 south-east from Malmesbury.

The church of St. Michael is an ancient structure, in the Early English style, consisting of a chancel, nave, aisles, and a square tower with 5 bells. The register dates from AD 1653. The living is a rectory, yearly value £742, besides the glebe land, with residence, in the patronage of Pembroke College, Oxford, and held by the Rev. William de Quetteville, M.A., of that college.

There is a school, chiefly supported by voluntary contributions. The Independents and Wesleyans have places of worship here.

The charities amount to £10 per annum by will of Lady Winchcomb, and £8 14s 3d yearly by Mrs. Hannah Nicholls and Miss Nicholls' gift, which is distributed in blankets and books for the benefit of the poor; and by will of the late Mr. J Weeks, £5 is paid annually for the instruction of ten poor children of the parish.

Penn's Lodge, a mile and a half north-east, was once the property of the famous Penn.

The Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire is lord of the manor, and principal landowner of Brinkworth. Lady Holland is owner of the manor and land of Grittenham.

The soil is clay. The chief crops are grass.

The area is 5,464 acres rateable value, £10,607; the population in1871 was 1,495.

Grittenham is a tithing and manor, with 230 inhabitants, in which Lady Holland has erected a commodious schoolchurch, licensed by the Bishop of the diocese.

PARISH CLERK, Meshack Matthews.

POST OFFICE, Ezra Matthew, master. Letters through Chippenham, arrive 7.45 am.; dispatched, 6.2 pm. Wootton Bassett is the nearest money order office.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL, William Forster, master.

Brinkworth Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
de Quetteville	William	Rev. M.A,	Rector	
Stratton	Robert sen.			Boxbush
Stratton	Undecimus			

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Brinkworth Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Adey	Allen		Farmer	Lodge
Barb	Jacob		Farmer	Callow hill
Chequer	Edmund		Wheelwright	
Collinghorn	John		Farmer	York's
Collinghorn	William		Farmer	Dovey's
Grinman	David		Farmer	Church farm
Hitchcock	Henry		Miller	Brinkworth mill
Horsell	Abraham		Farmer	Sunday hill
Horsell	Joseph		Shopkeeper	
Horsell	William		Farmer	
Hunt	Alfred		Shopkeeper	
Ind	William		Farmer	Callow Hill farm
Keene	Hugh		Farmer & brick maker	Penn's Lodge
Leighfield	Charles		Farmer	Greatwood
Mapson	William		Butcher, shopkeeper & cattle dealer	
Matthews	Albert		Boot maker	Suffolk Arms
Matthews	Charles		Farmer	Farm hill
Matthews	Edward		Farmer	Park corner
Matthews	Ezra		Boot maker & post office	
Matthews	Joseph		Boot maker	
Matthews	Richard jun.		Farmer	Callow hill
Matthews	Richard sen.		Farmer	
Matthews	Walter		Farmer	Fritter's well
Matthews	William		Baker	
Matthews	William		Boot maker	
Matthews	William		Farmer & miller	
Mifflin	Charles		Farmer	Barnes farm
Mills	Thomas		Baker	Fritter's well
Morse	Edward		Farmer	Hundred acres
Ockwell	Samuel		Beer retailer	
Ody	John		Farmer	Longman street
Ody	Noah		Farmer	Latimer's
Ponting	Charles		Carpenter	
Potter	Daniel		Farmer	
Pummell	Thomas		Boot maker	
Reeves	Jacob		Smith	
Roper	George		Farmer	Barnes
Selby	William		Blacksmith	
Skull	Elijah		Farmer	Waldron's
Sly	Joseph		Farmer	Woodside
Sly	William		Boot maker	
Smith	Charles William		Beer retailer	
Smith	Frederick		Farmer	Elborough
Smith	Jacob		Farmer	Clitchbury

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Smith	John	Farmer & timber dealer	Giles farm
Smith	Thomas	Farmer	Malthouse
Spencer	John		Royal George
Spencer	William	Shopkeeper	
Stratton	Henry	Farmer	Roselands
Stratton	Robert jun.	Farmer	Boxbush
Stratton	Robert se.	Farmer	Boxbush
Stratton	William	Saddler	
Walker	William		Three Crowns
Watkins	John	Carpenter & cooper	
Watts	William	Farmer	Rookery
West	Simon	Farmer	
Whale	Edward Joseph	Cattle dealer	Bellamy's
Wheeler	David	Veterinary surgeon	
Young	Nathaniel	Farmer	Whitehouse

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Burchill	Jacob		Farmer	
Collinghorn	William		Farmer	
Coster	Hezekiah		Farmer	
Coster	Thomas		Farmer	
Godwin	David		Farmer	Grittenham house
Gough	Thomas		Farmers	
Gough	William		Farmers	
Hurt	Robert		Farmer	
Nicholls	Jacob		Farmer	
Ody	Allen		Farmer	
Pullen	William		Farmer	
Rumming	William		Farmer	
Sparrow	Thomas		Farmer	