



# Britford

## NOTES FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

**10 Apr 1654** Thomas Blake, carpenter, of the parish of Britford was Asked unto Dorothy Cox, ye daughter of Thomas Cox husbandman of this Parish with his consent who also liveth in Britford with her father ye 19th of March 1653 & ye 26th of March following & ye second day of April 1654 according to ye Act in ye church of Britford at ye close of ye morning exercise about eleven of ye clocke and no exception was made againse ye publication. An yese two were married by Edward Tucker, Justice of Peace in this County in ye p'sence of Thomas Cox aforesaid & Willia[m] Bayelee of this Parish Taylor.

The banes of Matrimony was published between George Kekewicke Esq. of this Parish widdower & Mrs. Elizabeth Douse the Relict of Thomas House [Dowse?] esq., of Wallop in the county of Southampton in ye Parish Church of Britford after Divine service in the time prescribed on ye 26th day of March 1654 & and ye 2nd day of Aprill following & on the ninth day following that & there was no exception made against it.

[Note: - The above form of publication of banns is prefixed to all Marriages following, up to 1659.]

### Cholera In South Wiltshire 1849

This is a memo written in the parish registers by curate R. H. Hill

The Cholera made its appearance in Salisbury in the month of July this year and committed great ravages. From July 8th to August 31st more than 200 deaths took place, not of poor people only, but chiefly of respectable trades-people. At East Harnham only 3 people died of cholera. Procured a medicine of Lord Folkestone for our people, the dose, a wine-glassful costs four and half pence. Up to this time I have paid £6 for this medicine. indeed nearly all our people have been attacked with Diarrhoea and Bowel complaints. The medicine has done vast good and I here not it down: viz. 1 pint of peppermint water; 4 ozs of tincture of rhubarb; 2 tablepoons of Magnesia; 6 drops of laudanum. The quantity of laudanum to be increased according to the degree of pain and the age of the patient. The dose - a wineglassful every hour. Aug 31st 1849. Observed as a fast day in Salisbury on account of the cholera.