



Kellys Directory Extract 1915

Charlton (Malmesbury



Charlton is a parish and picturesque village 5 miles west by south from Minety station on the Swindon and Gloucester branch of the Great Western railway and two and a half miles north east from Malmesbury terminal station on the Malmesbury branch in the north west division of the County, Malmesbury hundred, petty sessional division, union and county court district, and in the rural deanery of Malmesbury, archdeaconry of North Wilts, and diocese of Bristol.

The church of St John the Baptist, situated within the gates of Charlton Park is a building of stone in the Early English style, consisting of nave, chancel, south chapel, south porch, and a central tower containing 5 bells: in the chancel is a table tomb with two recumbent figures, surmounted by a canopy, and in the chapel is the family vault of the Earls of Suffolk: the stained east window, erected in 1874, is a memorial to Thomas earl of Suffolk and Berkshire d 1851 and Elizabeth his wife d 1836; the stained west window was erected in 1878 to Charles John, earl of Suffolk and Berkshire d 1876; there is another memorial window erected in 1893 to Isabella his wife d 1891 and a memorial brass tablet to Henry, earl of Suffolk and Berkshire d 1898. The church was restored in 1875 and affords 280 sittings. The register dates from the year 1661.

The living is a vicarage with the chapelry of Brokenborough annexed, joint net yearly value £345, including 40 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor, and held since 1910 by the Rev Herbert Arthur Woodhouse of St Aidans. There is a charity of about £8 yearly to be divided amongst the second poor and "convalescent home" to hold 11 children, under 10 years of age was erected here in 1870 and is supported by the trustees of the late Lady Victoria Howard and by subscription.

Adjoining the village is Charlton Park, the seat of the Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire who is lord of the manor and sole landowner. The mansion, of Elizabethan date, has an ornamental parapet and tower at each angle and stands in the centre of a well-wooded park of 600 acres. The soil is sandy, subsoil clay. The crops are wheat, barley and roots. The area is 4725 acres of land and 41 of water, rateable £4503; the population in 1911 was 468 in the civil and 944 in the ecclesiastical parish including 126 inmates and 10 officials in Malmesbury Poor Law Institution.

Parish Clerk, Jacob Porter, Post M O & T Office, William Taylor, sub-postmaster. Letters from Malmesbury arrive at 6.30am and 12.30pm, despatched at 12.25 and 7.05pm; Sundays despatched at 9.35am. Wall letter box, Perry Green, cleared at 7.10pm weekdays only. Public Elementary School built in 1864 for 125 children, Frank C Canham, master, Mrs Canham, infants mistress.

Carrier, George Bodnam to Cirencester on Mon.

Police Station, Henry Hillier, constable in charge.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Suffolk & Berks		Earl	J.P.	Charlton Park
Suffolk & Berks	Eleanor	Countess		Charlton Cottage
Bates	Francis James		Land Steward	
Woodhouse	Herbert Arthur	Reverend	Vicar	Vicarage

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baker	Thomas		Farmer	Charlton Moor
Bates	Francis		Land Steward to Earl	
Burdock	John		Farmer	Heath Farm
Bush	Henry		Farmer	Worthy Hill
Hunt	Julia (Mrs)	Mrs., Matron	Convalescent Home	
Cove	William		Farmer	Little Lype
Finch	Thomas		Head Gardener to Earl	
Godwin	William Scriven		Farmer	Street Farm
Heath	Frank		Farmer	Perry Green
Hughes	Jabez		Farmer	Stone Hill
Hughes	Lewis		Cow keeper	
Langley	Isaac		Farmer	
Langley	William		Farmer	
Law	Job		Farmer	Woodcock Farm
Law	Joseph		Hurdle Maker	Perry Green
Lea	Charles White		Farmer	
Lea	George Alexander		Farmer	
Lewis	Alfred		Farmer	Fernhill
Lewis	James		Farmer	Woodhill
Millard	Robert C.		Farmer	
Oatley	F.		Farmer	Rookery
Oatley	John Alexander		Farmer	
Pendall	Charles		Gardener to Countess	
Price	William		Farmer	Becks
Rodman	George		Carrier	
Sampson	T.	& Sons	Coach builders	
Scott	Arthur		Farmer	Turks Farm
Sly	Heber		Farmer	Stonehill
Sly	John Whale		Farmer	Pink Lane
Smart	Enos		Cow Keeper	
Strange	Joseph		Farmer	Stonehill
Stump	James		Farmer	Great Lype Farm
Tanner	Thomas		Farmer	Banbury Hill
Telling	Thomas		Farmer	Summerhouse
Webb	Arthur		Farmer	Great Elm Farm
White	Florence	Miss		Horse and Groom Public House
Whitting	Charles		Farmer	Old Park
Whitting	Robert		Farmer	Griffithsbarn Farm