



Post Office Directory Extract 1875



Chilton Foliatt

Chilton Foliatt is a parish, partly in the county of Berks, partly in the hundred of Kinwardstone, in the Southern division of the county of Wilts, partly in the hundred of Kintbury Eagle, Berks, Hungerford union and county court district, diocese of Salisbury, archdeaconry of Wilts, and rural deanery of Marlborough, delightfully situated in a vale well watered by the river Kennet, 2½ miles north-west from Hungerford, 64 from London, and 9 east from Marlborough.

The church of St Mary, with small square tower and modern clock, is in good repair. The pulpit, reading-desk, the organ gallery, and the whole of the seats are of polished oak. The chancel contains several monuments of the Popham family. The window exhibits various figures in stained glass, and the flooring is composed of some rare specimens of glazed pottery in squares. South of the altar is an effigy in ancient armour, in a recumbent position. The register dates from 1530. The living is a rectory, yearly value £750, with 31 acres of glebe and residence, in the patronage of F L Popham, esq., and held by the Rev. Francis John Kitson, B.D., late Fellow of St John's College, Oxford.

There is a National school, endowed by Miss Smith with a sum of £21; also a chapel for Wesleyans. Hawking's charity of £5 18s 10d yearly is for clothing.

Chilton House, a fine red brick mansion, is the property of F L Popham, esq., who is lord of the manor, and he and William D Honywood, esq., of Chilton Lodge, are chief landowners.

The soil is gravel; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips.

The area is 3,740 acres, of which 1,560 are in Berks; gross estimated rental, £4,875; rateable value, £4,318; and the population in 1871 was 632, of whom 143 are in Berks.

Leverton is a hamlet in the Berks portion. **East and West Soley** are in the Wilts part.

PARISH CLERK, Francis New.

POST OFFICE, Elisha New, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive from Hungerford, delivered at 8 am. & 2 pm.; dispatched at 11.20 am. & 6.50 pm. The nearest money order office is at Hungerford.

NATIONAL SCHOOL, Miss Woram, certificated mistress.

Private Residents

| Surname | Given Names | Title | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish |
|----------|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Honywood | William D | Lieut. Col. | | Chilton Lodge |
| Cochrane | Basil A E | | | Chilton Lodge |
| Kitson | Francis John | Rev. B.D | Rector | |
| Popham | Francis Leybourne | | | The Weirs |
| Smith | Thomas Chaloner | J.P. | | Chilton House |

Commercial

| Surname | Given Names | Title | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Baverstock | Richard | | Farmer | |
| Clift | John William | | Farmer | Old Hayward |
| Crook | Daniel Wyatt | | Farmer | |
| Edmonds | John | | Farmer | |
| Harding | Edwin | | Farmer | Soby farm |
| Harris | William | | Shopkeeper | |
| Hill | John | | Miller | Chilton mill |
| Holmes | Edwin | | Tailor | |
| Hust | John | | | Stag's Head |
| Hutchins | John | | | Wheatsheaf |
| Jordan | Robert | | Tailor | |
| Joyce | Albert | | Gardener | |
| Joyce | John | | Blacksmith | |
| King | William | | Farmer | New Hayward |
| Mackerell | William | | Farmer | |
| Mossom | Thomas | | Farmer | Cravens farm |
| New | Elisha | | Carpenter, wheelwright & shopkeeper | |
| Wiggins | James | | Boot & shoe maker | |
| Wiggins | William | | Carpenter | |