



# Post Office Directory Extract 1875

## Downton with Standlynch



**Downton** is a parish, giving name to the hundred, a polling place for the Southern division of the county, in Alderbury union, Salisbury county court district, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury, and rural deanery of Wilton, 90 miles from London, and 7 south-east-by-south from Salisbury, situated in a vale, watered by the Upper Avon, in three channels.

The town is of considerable antiquity, and formerly returned two members to Parliament, but was disfranchised in 1832. The Salisbury and Dorset Junction railway passes through the parish, and has a station at the upper end of the town.

The church of St Lawrence was restored in 1860. It is a large cruciform structure of mixed architecture. Rising from the intersection is a square, massive, embattled tower, with four pinnacles, and containing a clock and 6 bells. The tower has been reduced to its original height. The church contains monuments to the Duncombe family, the principal are those of Anthony, Lord Feversham, of Downton, who died in 1763, and of Sir Charles Duncombe, who died in 1711. The register dates from the year 1692. The living is a vicarage, with the chapelry of Nunton annexed, returned of the yearly value of £371, in the patronage of Winchester College, and held by the Rev. Richard Payne, B.C.L., of New College, Oxford.

There are National and British schools, and a free grammar school founded in 1673 and endowed with the rents of the fair ground. There are places of worship for Baptists and Wesleyans.

Here are paper and corn mills and a tan yard. Malting is also carried on to a considerable extent, and there is brick making and lime burning. The market has long been discontinued, but two annual fairs are still held, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April and 2<sup>nd</sup> October, principally for horses and sheep.

Stockman's charity of £51 yearly is for distribution.

A castle of considerable dimensions existed here at an early period, which, from its position, commanded the river Avon and the valley through which it flows. The only remains---a large conical mound and some lofty earthworks--- have been formed into terraces, amidst the plantations of a garden. On a high hill, overlooking Downton from the other side of the valley is an entrenched area, called Clerbury Camp.

The Bishop of Winchester is lord of the manor. The principal landowners are the Earl of Radnor, Earl Nelson, George Matcham, esq., J.P., and George Morrison, esq., J.P.

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

The area is 1,251 acres; gross estimated rental, £18,164; rateable value, £16,069; the population in 1871 was 3,654.

**Charlton** is a tithing and ecclesiastical parish, formed out of the parishes of Downton and Standlynch in 1851.

The church of All Saints has chancel, nave, south porch and belfry with 2 bells. A floriated cross surmounts the chancel end. The register dates from 1851. The living is a vicarage, in the gift of the vicar of Downton, and held by the Rev. Thomas Stanley Courtney, T.A.K.C.L.

The Wesleyans have a small chapel here. There is also a National school for children of both sexes.

The principal landowners are Earl Radnor and Earl Nelson. The population in 1871 was 329.

PARISH CLERK Samuel Asher

**Redlynch** is a hamlet and ecclesiastical district of this parish, formed in 1841. The church of St Mary consists of chancel, nave and 1 bell without a belfry. The living is a vicarage, in the gift of the vicar of Downton, and held by the Rev. Nicolo Walke, B.A., of Worcester College, Oxford.

The principal landowners are George Morrison, esq., and George Matcham, esq.; the population in 1871 was 1,177.

PARISH CLERK George Bungay

The other borough tithings are **Church, East Downton, Hamptworth, Wick and Walton and Witherington.**

**Langley Wood**, formerly extra-parochial, is now a parish, with a population in 1871 of 22.

PARISH CLERK Francis Plaskett

POST & MONEY ORDER & TELEGRAPH OFFICE & Savings Bank James Nicholas Sub-postmaster  
Letters arrive from Salisbury at 5.40 am. & 2.15 pm.  
delivered at 7 am. & 2.30 pm.  
dispatched at 3.15 pm. & 7.45 pm.  
The box closes at 7.30 pm. & pillar box at 6.30 pm.

POST OFFICE, Redlynch Mrs Harris Receiver  
Letters arrive from Downton at 6.30 am.; dispatched at 6.45 pm.

POST OFFICE, Charlton George Goodridge Receiver  
Letters arrive from Salisbury at 6 am.; dispatched at 8.30 pm.

INSURANCE AGENTS Liverpool & London & Globe W Chamberlin  
Royal T Read  
Sovereign Life J T Collier  
Sun J Nicholas  
Whittington Life C Mitchell, Woodfalls

PUBLIC OFFICERS Inland Revenue Officer Joseph Cock  
Registrar of Births & Deaths George Blake  
Registrar of Marriages Thomas Read  
Relieving Officer of Downton District  
(Alderbury Union) George Blake

SCHOOLS British (boys) Thomas Read Master  
British (girls) Miss Ina Mistress  
Free (boys) Charles Hyatt Master  
National (girls) Miss Harriet Rebecca Roberts Mistress  
National, Charlton Miss Emma Ball Mistress

RAILWAY STATION Charles W Chandler Station master

CARRIERS to Salisbury Bungay, Poore, Snelgrove & Hickman Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday  
to Southampton Barrow & Hickman Every Friday

BANK Wilts & Dorset Bank Attendance on Saturday from 10 am. to 2 pm.

#### Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bailey		Mrs		
Bradburne	Frederick Ashe			Lyburn
Collier	John Thomas	Rev.	Baptist	

Courtney	Thomas Stanley	Rev., TAKCL	Vicar	Charlton
Ferryman	Robert Augustus	J.P.		Redlynch House
Hooper		Miss		
Kemp-Welch		Mrs		Fairfield House
Kemp-Welch	Samuel Edward			Fairfield House
Mannings	George			The Parsonage
Matcham	George	J.P.		New House
Maton	George			
Morrison	George	J.P.		Hamptworth Lodge
Payne	Richard	Rev., B.C.L.	Vicar	
Peacey	Thomas	Rev., M.A.	Curate	
Perkins	John Robert			Bridge House
Reeves		Mrs		
Sharpe	Philip	Capt. R.N.		Hamilton House
Smith	Francis	Rev.	Baptist	
Squarey	Elias Pitts			The Moot
Walke	Nicolo	Rev. B.A.	Vicar	Redlynch
Whitchurch		Mrs		
Woodlands	John			

### Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Andrews	Thomas		Farmer, thrashing machine & drill owner	Redlynch
Bailey	George			<i>Bull</i>
Bailey	Henry		Blacksmith	Charlton
Bailey	Henry Smith		Plumber	
Bailey	James		Baker & shopkeeper	Charlton
Bailey	John		Wheelwright	Charlton
Bailey	John	Sen.		<i>Vine, Charlton</i>
Bates	Edmund		Watch & clock maker	
Blachford	Peter			<i>Stag, Charlton</i>
Blake	George		Wheelwright	<i>George &amp; Dragon</i>
Blake	George		See <b>Public Officers</b> above	
Blake	John			<i>King's Arms</i>
Blake	John		Tailor	
Brand	Sarah	Mrs	Shopkeeper	
Brenton	John		Coal dealer	
Bryant	Henry		Builder & carpenter	Redlynch
Bryant	John		Shopkeeper	Redlynch
Bryant	Joseph		Farmer	Pimlico, Redlynch
Bryant	Mark		Beer retailer	Redlynch
Bungay	James		Carrier	
Chalk	John		Boot & shoe maker	
Chamberlin	William		Chemist & druggist	
Cheater	Ellen	Miss	Dress maker	
Cheyney	Wilson		Farmer	
Churchill	George		Watch & clock maker	
Cleave	James Milton		Boot & shoe maker	
Cock	Joseph		See <b>Public Officers</b> above	
Cox	Francis		Baker & grocer	
Downer	Henry		Shopkeeper	
Durdle	Henry		Boot & shoe maker	
Eastman	Henry & George		Basket & sieve makers	
Fanstone	Eliza	Mrs	Shopkeeper & harness maker	
Fulford	George		Shopkeeper	
Futcher	Charles		Tailor	
Gibbons	William			<i>King's Head, Redlynch</i>

Goulding	George		Boot & shoe maker & butcher	
Gray	Thomas		Shopkeeper	Redlynch
Gregory	Charles		Ironmonger, grocer & harness maker	
Gwyer	William		Farmer	Charlton
Gywer	James		Coal dealer	
Harris	George		Beer retailer	Redlynch
Harrison	Daniel		Blacksmith	Redlynch
Hickman	Henry		Shopkeeper & carrier	
Humby	William		Blacksmith & farrier	
Hunt	John		Wheelwright	
Maidment	George		Dairyman	Lodge farm
Maidment	John		Shoe maker	Redlynch
Mannings	George		Miller, maltster & corn merchant	
Mitchell	Samuel		Grocer & bake	
Morton	John		Seedsman & florist	
Mursell	William		Baker & grocer	
Mussell	James		Shopkeeper	
Mussellwhite	Samuel		Harness maker	
Newham	Alfred		Baker, grocer & earthenware dealer	Charlton
Newman	Henry		Boot & shoe maker	
Newman	Joseph		Beer retailer	Redlynch
Nicholas	James		Draper & post office	
Nobbs	William		Stationer & newsagent	
Noyce	Samuel	Sen.	Shopkeeper & baker	
Pain	Jane	Mrs	Farmer	Redlynch
Parsons	Peter Joseph		Draper, grocer, cooper &c.	
Perkins	John Robert		Surgeon	Bridge House
Pile	Edward		Dairyman	Witherington, Charlton
Plaskett	Francis		Tailor and see <b>Public Officers</b>	
Plaskett	George		Shopkeeper	Redlynch
Plaskett	Maria	Mrs	Shopkeeper	
Plaskett	William		Brickmaker & farmer	Redlynch
Poore	Charles		Shopkeeper & carrier	
Pope	James			<i>White Horse</i>
Read	Henry		Draper & outfitter	
Read	John		Farmer	New Court
Read	Josiah		Farmer	Charlton
Read	Thomas		See <b>Public Officers</b> above	
Read	Walter		Farmer	Charlton
Ridett	Samuel Cecil			<i>New Inn</i>
Rowland	Harry John		Butcher	
Sims	William		Blacksmith	
Small	Eliza	Mrs	Grocer & draper	
Smith	Herbert		Agricultural implement maker & agent, brass & iron founder, engineer & millwright	New Forest Foundry, Redlynch
Snelgrove	Charles		Carrier	Redlynch
Snelgrove	Paul		Bricklayer	
Stradling	William		Paper maker	
Street	William	Jun.	Farmer	Wick farm
Street	William	Sen.	Farmer	Langley Wood
Taunton	Christiana	Mrs	Farmer	
Taunton	Jonathan		Farmer	Packham
Taunton	William		Farmer	Redlynch
Titt	William		Boot & shoe maker	
Trill	George		Carpenter & coach builder	
Welch	Henry Charles			<i>Three Horse Shoes</i>
Wescomb	Joseph		Beer retailer	
Woodford	Andrew		Shopkeeper	

Woodford	John		Baker & grocer	
Woodlands	John		Tanner & farmer	
Wort	Samuel		Blacksmith & wheelwright	Redlynch
Wort	William		Carpenter	Redlynch