

Kellys Directory Extract 1889 East Kennett



EAST KENNETT is a parish and village, situated on the river Kennett, 5 miles west-by-south-west from Marlborough station, in the Eastern division of the county, Selkley hundred, petty sessional division of Marlborough and Ramsbury, Marlborough union and county court district, rural deanery of Avebury Cannings portion, archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury. Christ Church is a stone building, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel and nave, an embattled western square tower with pinnacles, surmounted by a stone spire and containing 5 bells and the south porch, and was restored in 1865, principally through liberality of the Matthews family: there are 120 sittings. The register dates from the year 1620. The living is a vicarage, yearly value £125, with residence, in the gift of Richard Fisher esq. and held since 1884 by the Rev. John Edward Wilson M.A. of Emmanuel College, Cambridge. Richard Fisher esq. is lord of the manor and chief landowner. There is a village dispensary and hospital, with two beds, and parish room, erected in 1883, and opened on 13th November in that year: the room will seat 100 persons. The soil is loamy; subsoil, chalky. The chief crops are wheat, barley and oats. The area is 808 acres; rateable value, £495; the population in 1881 was 85.

Parish Clerk, Charles Ellis.

WALL LETTER Box, cleared at 6.10 p.m. week days; 10.20 a. m. on Sundays. Letters are forwarded by foot post from Marlborough at 7 a.m.; the nearest telegraph office & money order office is at Overton.

School, connected with the church, built in 1857, for 30 children; average attendance, 22; supported by the Misses Fisher; Miss Marion Hedges, mistress.

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Brown	Thomas Strange		Farmer	
Cooper	Horace		Surgeon at the Dispensary	
Ellis	Charles		Pig Dealer	
Merriman	Edward Baverstock	M.A.		Manor House
Webb	George		Blacksmith	
Wilson	John Edward	Rev., M.A.	Vicar	