



# Kellys Directory Extract 1915

## Fonthill Bishop



**FONTHILL BISHOP** (or Bishop's Fonthill) is a village and parish 3 miles north from the Tisbury station on the Salisbury and Yeovil branch of the London and South Western railway, 14 west from Salisbury and 10 north-east from Shaftesbury, in the Southern division of the county, Downton hundred, Tisbury petty sessional division and union, Shaftesbury county court district, Chalke rural deanery, (Tisbury portion), archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury. The church of All Saints is a cruciform edifice of stone, originally in the Norman style, and consisting of chancel, nave, transepts, and a central tower containing 2 bells; in 1871 the chancel was rebuilt at the expense of the Rev. R W Sheldon MA, rector 1866-92, and the whole church was thoroughly restored in 1879 at the cost of Thomas Sheldon esq of Clevedon, his brother, Mr Wyatt, being the architect: there are 125 sittings. The register dates from the year 1754. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £180, including 4.5 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Oxford, and held since 1914 by the Rev. Richard Wilton Sutcliffe MA of St John's College, Oxford. There is a small charity, dispensed by the rector and churchwardens. The Bishop of Winchester is lord of the manor. Hugh Morrison esq DL, JP is principal landowner. The soil is chalky loam, sub-soil, chalk and stone. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats, and some land is in pasturage; the area is 1797 acres, rateable £803: the population in 1911 was 137.

**Sexton:** James Buckland

**Post Office:** Fred Smith, sub-postmaster. Letters from Salisbury, by mail cart, arrive at 5.55am, dispatched at 6.45pm. The nearest money order and telegraph office is at Hindon, 2 miles distant.

Elementary (formerly Free) School for 60 children. Miss Octavia Greer, mistress.

### Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Coombs	George Percival			
Sutcliffe	Richard Wilton	Reverend, MA	Rector	Rectory

### Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Lodder	James		Farmer	Kingstead
		People's Refreshment House		(Kings Arms PH)
Smith	Fred		Grocer & Post Office	
Yeall	James E		Gamekeeper to Hugh Morrison esq	