



# Swindon & District Directory Extract 1928



## Garsdon

GARSDON is a small scattered village in the Chippenham Division of Wilts, Petty Sessional Division, Union and County Court District of Malmesbury, and Bristol Diocese, and is distant 5½ miles from Minty and 2½ from Malmesbury. The register of the Church of All Saints' dates from 1681. The living, a rectory (with the vicarage of Lea annexed), joint net yearly average value £300, with 13 acres of glebe, and residence, is in the gift of Mrs. Hay. There is also a Primitive Methodist Chapel. Within the church are the graves of five members of the Washington family from the Sulgrave branch, from which the descent of George Washington, first President of the United States, is traced. The American Stars and Strips are said to have originated from the arms of this family. The principle landowner is the Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire (Lord of the Manor). Area, 1,128 acres; rateable value, £1,062; population in 1921, 153. Letters through Malmesbury arrive at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Charlton is the nearest Money Order and Telegraph Office. Wall letter box cleared at 8.5 p.m. weekdays. The children of this parish attend the school at Lea.

RECTOR – Rev. C. Harris, M.A.

### Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Cove	C.		Farmer	Park Farm
Harris	C.	Rev.		The Rectory
Hays	W.		Farmer	Heath Farm
Hughes	W.		Farmer	The Common
Kaynes	J.		Retired Farmer	Tanner's Bridge
Major	H. C.			Church Farm
Morris	J. E.		Miller	
Simpkins	F.		Farmer	
Sisum	G.		Farmer	Manor Farm
Stallard	H. J.			Park Lane Villa
Stratton	E.	& Sons	Millers	
Willis	W. H. E.		Wheelwright	
Young	W.		Farmer	Greenhill Farm