

Post Office Directory Extract 1875

Grittleton



Grittleton is a parish and village in the Northern division of the county, hundred of Damerham north, Chippenham union and county court district, diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, archdeaconry of Bristol and rural deanery of Malmesbury South, 6 miles north-west from Chippenham, 7 south-west from Malmesbury and 99 from London.

The church of St Mary is an ancient structure in good repair and has a chancel, nave and aisles, porch and a tower containing 5 bells. It has been restored at the expense of Sir John Neeld, bart. The register dates from the early part of the 17th century. The living is a rectory, yearly value £389, with residence, in the gift of Sir J Neeld, bart., and held by the Rev. Henry Kearney Boldero, M.A., of Trinity College, Cambridge.

Here is a school for boys and girls, built in 1858 by the Rev. William Way Burne, who was for many years rector of this parish. The Baptists have a place of worship here.

The lord of the manor and landowner is Sir John Neeld, bart., J.P., whose seat, Grittleton House, in this parish, has been entirely rebuilt.

The soil is various. The chief crops are wheat, barley and roots. The parish contains 2,640 acres of land; gross estimated rental, £3,851 19s; rateable value, £3,411 5s; the population in 1871 was 357.

| LETTERS | from Chippenham arrive at 9 am.; dispatched at 6.30 pm. |
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| | The nearest money order office is at Yatton Keynell. |

| INSURANCE AGENT | Whittington Life | J Hall |
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Private Residents

| Surname | Given Names | Title | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish |
|---------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Boldero | Henry Kearney | Rev., M.A. | | Rectory |
| Neeld | John | Sir, bart., J.P. | | Grittleton House |
| Neeld | Algernon William | | | Grittleton House |

Commercial

| Surname | Given Names | Title | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish |
|----------|-------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Blake | Chapman | | Farmer | Manor farm |
| Broom | Paul | | Boot & shoe maker | |
| Bruton | Mary Ann | Mrs | | Red Lion |
| Butler | James | | Blacksmith | |
| Elsip | John | | Baker | |
| Gale | Richard Lansdowne | | Farmer | Clapcote farm |
| Gough | Henry | | Farmer | New Foscott |
| Kent | Edward | | Saddler & harness maker | |
| Kington | George W | | Farmer | Newlands farm |
| Smith | Philip | | Plasterer & tiler | |
| Storrar | Robert | | Land agent to Sir John Neeld, bart. | |
| Thompson | Walter | | Tailor | |
| Tilley | George | | Boot & shoe maker | |
| Warner | Sarah | Mrs | Shopkeeper | |
| Wells | John | | Gardener | |

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